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Staff Recommendation to the Floodplain Advisory Committee for the property at:
2713 Hamilton Street, La Crosse

Summary: Mr. James Cherf has requested a floodplain relief grant for the property at 2713 Hamilton, which has received a Letter of Map Revision for work completed in the fall of 2017. This was a project that entailed removal of the previous structure, filling and placement of a home that was moved from the area where the McDonalds restaurant on George Street expanded due to Wisconsin Department of Transportation Work at West George near Bridgeview Plaza.

Request: This is a reimbursement request for costs incurred to complete the above stated scope of work which resulted in a Letter of Map Revision for the newly placed home. It is expected that the full \$20,000.00 available will be requested through the documents of project costs by the applicant.

Staff Recommendation: The current mapping of the parcel at 2713 Hamilton Street shows the home already removed. Homes on either side of the parcel indicate a flood depth of 2 to 3 feet which is eligible for the grant program, without requiring the coordination of neighboring properties. Since the work resulted in a new home (moved) with a Letter of Map Revision effectively removing the home from the special flood hazard zone, and the Advisory Committee determined by resolution the program could consider retroactive actions within a year of the launch of the grant program, this application is eligible for consideration.

It should be noted that there is an existing garage on the parcel in the rear (west of the newly paced home) that we understand will be remaining and has a flood depth of 3 feet (BFE=644, LAG=641). The new elevation certificate recorded as part of the LOMR indicates the new home having a BFE of 643.8 with the new LAG at 644.9 indicating the new grades on the parcel around the newly moved structure are 1.1 feet above the BFE.

Based on the above stated information, the Planning Department recommends approval of this application.

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