



# Department of Police

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Date: August 7th, 2013

To: The Highways, Properties and Utilities Committee of the Common Council for the City of La Crosse

Re: Annual Report by Police Department Regarding School Crossing Guard Locations  
2012-2013 Academic Year

Dear Council Members:

## Determination

That the recommendations to continue, add, or discontinue, locations of adult crossing guards be accepted and filed as detailed herein.

## Discussion

As required under resolution 2012-02-018, the La Crosse Police Department has been conducting a study of adult crossing guard intersections in the City of La Crosse. Pedestrian and traffic data has been gathered and analyzed by the Traffic Engineers Office. The La Crosse Police Department, with the assistance of the employed crossing guards conducted daily pedestrian counts for the 2012-2013 school year. This information, along with the information obtained through the Traffic Engineer's office, and utilizing the approved City of La Crosse Annual Crossing Guard Score Sheets have been tabulated with the details attached.

## **Proposed Continuation of Existing Locations:**

The following locations have been proposed by the police department to maintain existing adult crossing guards:

- 7<sup>th</sup> and Johnson
- 21<sup>st</sup> and Main
- 2100 Campbell Road
- George and Gillette
- Losey and Crowley
- **George and Hayes** (temporarily replaces Gillette & Kane street school crossing for the 2013/14 school year only)

All locations are being utilized and at this time, although some less frequently than others. For the 2013/2014 school year the Gillette & Kane Street crossing guard has been temporarily moved to George & Hayes St. intersection. This is because all students from Franklin will be attending Roosevelt school while Franklin is being re-built over the 2013/2014 school year. The police department will continue daily pedestrian counts at these locations and will report back if pedestrian counts no longer support staffing.

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**Proposed Changes:**

At this time, the La Crosse Police Department is recommending the Gillette and Kane Street school crossing being dis-continued and a school crossing be added at George and Hayes Street (former school crossing location for Roosevelt) for the 2013/2014 school year only. The only north side elementary school for 2013/2014 will be Roosevelt School. However, this will be contingent upon funding as established in the 2014 La Crosse Police Department budget.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert M. Abraham".

Robert M. Abraham  
Assistant Chief of Police

cc: Matthew Gallager  
Randy Rank