

RESOLUTION NO. 17-0141

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE PROJECT PLAN AND
BOUNDARIES OF TAX INCREMENTAL DISTRICT NO. 14,
CITY OF LA CROSSE, WISCONSIN**

WHEREAS, the City of La Crosse (the "City ") has determined that use of Tax Incremental Financing is required to promote development and redevelopment within the City ; and

WHEREAS, Tax Incremental District No. 14 (the "District") was created by the City on August 24, 2006 as a mixed-use district; and

WHEREAS, the City now desires to amend the Project Plan and boundaries of the District in accordance with the provisions of Wisconsin Statutes Section 66.1105 (the "Tax Increment Law"); and

WHEREAS, such amendment will cause territory to be added to the District, providing incentive and opportunities for additional private development and redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, such amendment will also modify the categories, locations or costs of the Projects to be undertaken, providing incentives and opportunities for additional private development and redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, such amendment will also allow for the District to incur project costs outside of, but within ½ mile of, the boundaries of the District as permitted under Wisconsin Statutes Section 66.1105(2)(f)1.n.; and

WHEREAS, an amended Project Plan for the District (the "Amendment") has been prepared that includes:

- a. A statement listing of the kind, number and location of all proposed public works or improvements within the District, or to the extent provided in Wisconsin Statutes Sections 66.1105(2)(f)1.k. and 66.1105(2)(f)1.n., outside of the District;
- b. An economic feasibility study;
- c. A detailed list of estimated project costs;
- d. A description of the methods of financing all estimated project costs and the time when the related costs or monetary obligations are to be incurred;
- e. A map showing existing uses and conditions of real property in the District;
- f. A map showing proposed improvements and uses in the District;
- g. Proposed changes of zoning ordinances, master plan, map, building codes and City ordinances;
- h. A list of estimated non-project costs;
- i. A statement of the proposed plan for relocation of any persons to be displaced;
- j. A statement indicating how the amendment of the District promotes the orderly development of the City ;
- k. An opinion of the City Attorney or of an attorney retained by the City advising that the plan is complete and complies with Wisconsin Statutes Section 66.1105(4)(f).

WHEREAS, prior to its publication, a copy of the notice of public hearing was sent to the chief executive officers of La Crosse County, the School District of La Crosse School District, and the Western Technical College District, and any other entities having the power to levy taxes on property located within the District, in accordance with the procedures specified in the Tax Increment Law; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the procedures specified in the Tax Increment Law, the Plan Commission, on January 30, 2017 held a public hearing concerning the proposed amendment to the Project Plan and boundaries of the District, providing interested parties a reasonable opportunity to express their views thereon; and

WHEREAS, after said public hearing, the Plan Commission designated the boundaries of the amended district, adopted the Project Plan, and recommended to the Common Council that it amend the Project Plan and boundaries for the District.

WHEREAS, in accordance with the procedures specified in the Tax Increment Law, before the Common Council may amend any tax incremental district, the Plan Commission must designate the boundaries of such amended District and approve the Project Plan amendment for such District and submit its recommendation concerning the amendment of the District and the Project Plan to the Common Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of La Crosse that:

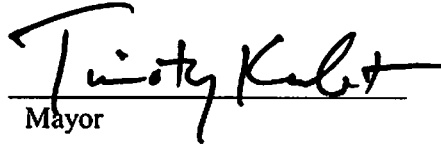
1. The boundaries of the District that shall be named "Tax Incremental District No. 14, City of La Crosse", are hereby amended as specified in Exhibit A of this Resolution.
2. The territory being added shall become part of the District effective as of January 1, 2017.
3. The Common Council finds and declares that:
 - (a) Not less than 50% by area of the real property within the District, as amended, is suitable for a combination of industrial, commercial and residential uses, defined as "mixed-use development" within the meaning of Wisconsin Statutes Section 66.1105(2)(cm).
 - (b) Based upon the findings, as stated in 3.a. above, and the original findings as stated in the resolution creating the District, the District remains a mixed-use district based on the identification and classification of the property included within the District; and
 - (c) The improvement of such area is likely to enhance significantly the value of substantially all of the other real property in the District.
 - (d) The equalized value of the taxable property within the territory to be added to the District by amendment, plus the value increment of all other existing tax incremental districts within the City, does not exceed 12% of the total equalized value of taxable property within the City.
 - (e) The City estimates that none of the territory within the District, as amended, will be devoted to retail business at the end of the District's maximum expenditure period, pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes Section 66.1105(5)(b).
 - (f) The project costs of the District relate directly to promoting mixed-use development in the District consistent with the purpose for which the District was created.
 - (g) Lands proposed for newly platted residential development comprise no more than 35% of the real property area within the District.

4. The amended Project Plan for "Tax Incremental District No. 14, City of La Crosse" (attached as Exhibit B) is approved, and the City further finds the Plan is feasible and in conformity with the master plan of the City .

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to apply to the Wisconsin Department of Revenue, in such form as may be prescribed, for a "Determination of Tax Incremental Base", as of January 1, 2017, pursuant to the provisions of Wisconsin Statutes Section 66.1105(5)(b) and to pay the fee(s) associated with such determination.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT pursuant to Section 66.1105(5)(f) of the Wisconsin Statutes, that the City Assessor is hereby authorized and directed to identify upon the assessment roll returned and examined under Wisconsin Statutes Section 70.45, those parcels of property which are within the District, specifying thereon the name of the said District, and the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to make similar notations on the tax roll made under Wisconsin Statutes Section 70.65e, pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes.

Adopted this 9th day of March, 2017.



Mayor



City Clerk

EXHIBIT A -

**LEGAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION OR MAP OF
TAX INCREMENTAL DISTRICT NO. 14
CITY OF LA CROSSE**

THIS CAN BE FOUND IN THE PROJECT PLAN

PROJECT PLAN

THIS WILL BE HANDED OUT SEPARATELY

MIXED-USE DISTRICT ONLY
IF INCLUDES NEWLY PLATTED RESIDENTIAL COMPONENT

CHOOSE WHICH DOCUMENT IS BEING ATTACHED, BASED ON LANGUAGE

CHOICE USED IN (h) REFERENCING THIS EXHIBIT

CONSERVATION SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE

OR

TRADITIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT DESIGNATION

66.1027 Traditional neighborhood developments and conservation subdivisions. (1) DEFINITIONS. In this section:

(a) "Conservation subdivision" means a housing development in a rural setting that is characterized by compact lots and common open space, and where the natural features of land are maintained to the greatest extent possible.

(b) "Extension" has the meaning given in s. 36.05 (7).

(c) "Traditional neighborhood development" means a compact, mixed-use neighborhood where residential, commercial and civic buildings are within close proximity to each other.

MAP OF HOUSING DENSITY

3. Notwithstanding subd. 1., project costs may include any expenditures made or estimated to be made or monetary obligations incurred or estimated to be incurred by the city for newly platted residential development only for any tax incremental district for which a project plan is approved before September 30, 1995, or for a mixed-use development tax incremental district to which one of the following applies:

a. The density of the residential housing is at least 3 units per acre.

b. The residential housing is located in a conservation subdivision, as defined in s. 66.1027 (1) (a).

c. The residential housing is located in a traditional neighborhood development, as defined in s. 66.1027 (1) (c).

THIS WILL BE HANDED OUT SEPARATELY