



LA CROSSE DIVE UNIT

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To: Board of Public Works;

The La **Crosse** Dive Rescue Team has existed for over 30 years without a formal place to locate its ever increasing equipment. Since we have had to recently vacate the space (part of the Habitat for Humanity building on 3rd and Cass) previously made available to us, we are looking to build a structure that will take care of our immediate and anticipated near-future needs. Locating such a building where we can provide a quick response greatly enables the team to potentially save a drowning person within the Golden Hour of an incident. This can be of immeasurable value to the citizens of La **Crosse**.

We request approval of a space 125' by 125' to on the southwest corner of the **wastewater** treatment facility on Isle la Plume. On this site, we would construct a 5,400 square foot (60' x 90') building. We request this site because of its very favorable location to the municipal boat landing. In talks with officials of the Public Works department, we understand that they do not anticipate their having a need to use this site in the foreseeable future.

As part of this request, we agree to:

- be responsible to see that the wastewater treatment property continue to have fencing to secure such property; and
- be responsible to replace any trees that may have to be taken down in order to construct the building.

In support of our request, please find attached:

- an architect's drawing of the proposed building
- a proposed lease for the site

We very much appreciate your consideration and approval of this request. Such approval will allow our volunteer group to continue its mission to provide underwater rescue and recovery services throughout the city and the county of La **Crosse**.

Sincerely,

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