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Hello,

I'm writing to express my support of the proposal to create a City Administrator position for the City of La Crosse.

An administrator would bring more clarity and oversight to day-to-day processes. The person hired could effectively delegate and execute on Council's policies. This is an exciting prospect for taxpayers, local businesses, nonprofit agencies, and others who rely on a strong local government.

In both personal and professional situations, I've been frustrated by a lack of cross-departmental communication, clear over-burdening of city staff, and avoidable inefficiencies within La Crosse's city government. It's concerning to see all the missed opportunities and miscommunication. Many city staff I interact with fully acknowledge the gaps. I am confident the cost of hiring a City Administrator would immediately be offset by more efficient use of staff (and taxpayer) time and resources.

La Crosse must step up and join the ranks of municipalities across Wisconsin and throughout the nation that understand local government must be run efficiently, effectively, and transparently--and that it takes a talented executive to make that happen. Thank you for considering this proposal and reading my comments.

Thanks,
Natalie Heneghan