

Resolution authorizing the purchase of a sign retroreflectometer, accessories, and software, designating source of funds, and directing implementation

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, vehicle drivers, pedestrians, bicyclists, and the public in general depend on information from signs. That information may be in the form of regulations, such as stop signs or speed limits, warnings such as school zones, street names, way finding, and many other sign types, and

WHEREAS, the standards and criteria for maintaining sign retroreflectivity, set by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) in the Manual for Uniform Traffic Control Devices, must be implemented and in by practice by June 2014, and

WHEREAS, those standards and criteria require the City to compile and maintain an inventory of signs, measure sign reflectivity, and replace signs when reflectivity drops below the FHWA established standard, and

WHEREAS, there are over 10,000 signs throughout the City of La Crosse, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Public Works adopted a retroreflectivity maintenance policy in 2011, including the purchase of necessary equipment.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of La Crosse that the purchase of a sign retroreflectometer, barcode reader, necessary accessories, and sign inventory database and mapping software is hereby authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that funding for said purchase in an amount not to exceed \$15,000 is authorized from the 2007 Public Works New Equipment account.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Public Works, Finance Director, and Traffic Engineer are authorized and directed to take any and all steps necessary to implement this resolution.