



# City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall  
400 La Crosse Street  
La Crosse, WI 54601

## Meeting Minutes

### Climate Action Plan Steering Committee

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Monday, December 8, 2025

4:00 PM

Eagle Room

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This meeting will also be conducted through video conferencing.

Join Zoom Meeting:

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Meeting ID: 895 5626 2687 Passcode: 102161

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#### Call to Order

Ericson called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM.

#### Roll Call

**Present:** 5 - Andrew Ericson, Casey Meehan, Dorothy Lenard, Natalie Heneghan, Stephanie Hanna

**Excused:** 1 - Mackenzie Mindel

#### Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Lenard, seconded by Meehan, that the Minutes be APPROVED. The motion carried by a voice vote.

#### Notices & Discussion

*There were no notices or discussion.*

#### Agenda Items:

- 1 [25-1420](#) Proposal for technical assistance on zoning ordinance changes recommended in the Climate Action Plan.

**Attachments:** [Proposal](#)  
[20251224 Signed Proposal](#)

*Ericson provided the purpose of the proposal. Staff provided an overview of the zoning code update and intent of the proposal. Ericson shared that the cost would be covered by unused operating budget funds which would otherwise go back into the general fund at the end of the year. Lenard asked if there are any issues with approaches to zoning*

*related to the climate action plan, and what the committee can research or share. Staff mentioned lack of guidance on EV chargers. Ericson also mentioned regulations to protect La Crosse River marshland. Heneghan asked how to get the ordinances implemented. Staff only received one proposal. The recommendations from the consultant would be plugged into the broader zoning code update for review and engagement. Heneghan would like to participate in community interviews--she wants to know not just what was passed, but how did it get approved? Heneghan would like more focus on implementation. Meehan would like an explanation of how the consultant reached got their budget and asked if committee can work with consultant to adjust scope of work.*

**A motion was made by Lenard, seconded by Hanna, that this Proposal be APPROVED with the conditions that the committee be involved in the community interview process, receive a breakdown of what the ordinance review tasks entails, and have approval on the final product.. The motion carried by voice vote.**

**2**     [25-1421](#)     Proposal to fund ~20 bike racks

*Ericson provided background.*

**A motion was made by Heneghan, seconded by Meehan, that the Proposal be APPROVED 2 25-1421 Proposal to fund ~20 bike racks. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Excused:** 6 - Ericson, Meehan, Lenard, Mindel, Heneghan,Hanna

**3**     [25-1422](#)     Celebrating climate action wins from committee members (and the community)

*Meehan shared about Inspiring Sustainability awardees (Kaarina Dunn and The Nature Place), successful Youth Climate Action Fund recognition event, and next round of YCAF in 2026. Heneghan wrapped up planting and home repairs on Avon Street for the year, and the Pave the Way Fundraiser is underway. Habitat for Humanity will be building two homes in the Washburn Neighborhood in 2026. UWL is close to approving a strategic plan that includes sustainability.*

### Next Meeting / Agenda Items

*The next meeting will be January 12th. Agenda items may include a discussion on the zoning code update.*

### Adjournment

**Ericson adjourned the meeting at 4:56 PM.**

*Notice is further given that members of other governmental bodies may be present at the above scheduled meeting to gather information about a subject over which they have decision-making responsibility.*

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