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Mayor announces Andrea Trane to be appointed as the Director of the City's Planning, Development and Assessment Department

La Crosse, WI (December 22nd, 2020) – Mayor Tim Kabat announced today the appointment of Andrea Trane as the Director of the City's Planning, Development and Assessment Department. Her selection completes a national search to fill a vital staff position in City government. Andrea's appointment will go to the La Crosse Common Council for confirmation at their January 14th, 2021 regular meeting.

Andrea Trane has been serving as the interim director these past several months. Prior to becoming the City's next City Planner, Andrea served as the Economic Development Planner for La Crosse since 2015. She has extensive knowledge and experience in building strong, collaborative teams and programs that are responsive to emerging needs and trends.

In making this announcement, Mayor Kabat stated "I have been so impressed with Andrea's leadership and abilities during her service to the City of La Crosse. She and the Planning and Community Development team have been remarkably agile and creative in providing services and assistance, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic. Two critical examples of this include the small business relief grants that helped over 80 local businesses during this economic downturn, as well as the launch of our Women and Minority-Owned Business grant program. Andrea's creativity and collaborative approach are exactly what is needed for this crucial position. She will do an excellent job leading a talented team on efforts such as our City's next comprehensive plan, the 2040 downtown master plan, redevelopment of the Riverpoint District, finding the next development for the former Bridgeview Plaza and many more."

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