

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Street Department is responsible to maintain over 500 lane miles of streets in an efficient and cost effective manner and

WHEREAS, a portion of these lane miles include downtown La Crosse and other pedestrian & vehicle areas and

WHEREAS, heavy and accumulating snowfall in these areas needs to be removed as efficiently and as fast as possible for the safety and movement of the public and

WHEREAS, the use of a wheel loader mounted snow blower capable of loading trucks at the rate of approximately one cubic yard of snow per second and

WHEREAS, the Street Department has in the Common Council approved 2014-2018 Capital Equipment Budget, resolution file number 13-0256, a replacement snow blower, with trade-in, in the budgeted amount of \$152,000.00 and

WHEREAS, funding for the approved 2014-2018 Capital Equipment Budget is included in the proposed 2014-2018 Capital Improvement Program Budget, and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Streets, has configured a snow blower, meeting the needs of the Street Department, and

WHEREAS, the City Purchasing Buyer has negotiated a cost of the above configured snow blower with a procurement cost approximately \$6,400.00 less than the MN DOT Cooperative contract and negotiated no-charge delivery, and

WHEREAS, the potential expense of a Tier IV emission engine versus a Tier III emission engine, powering said snow blower, in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2014 may increase the acquisition cost up to \$15,000.00 and put this item over budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of La Crosse that it hereby authorizes the early purchase of said snow blower from Bruce Municipal Equipment, as servicing vendor, in the amount of \$141,076.00, including trade-in(STR-SNB-02).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the cost of \$141,076.00 for the snow blower be appropriated from the Reserve Fund with this fund to be reimbursed from the 2014 Capital Equipment Budget funds upon successful completion of the 2014 – 2018 Capital Improvement Program Budget borrowing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent of Streets, Director of Public Works, and the Director of Finance are hereby authorized to take any and all steps necessary to effectuate this resolution.