

Resolution approving a Maintenance Agreement for the Wagon Wheel Trail and Bridge between the City of La Crosse and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. (WisDOT)

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Wagon Wheel Trail will serve as a link between La Crosse, WI and La Crescent, MN along US Highway 14 west of the Cass St/Cameron Ave Bridges to the West Channel Boat Landing via a shared use trail and separate bridge adjacent to the West Channel Bridge; and

WHEREAS, the trail has been identified as a high priority in La Crosse's Comprehensive Plan, La Crescent Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan, and the 2035 Coulee Regional Bicycle Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Wagon Wheel Connector Trail project is currently listed in the Adopted 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Budget as request #688; and

WHEREAS, the TID 10 Project Plan includes a pedestrian trail/sidewalk from the District to Pettibone Park; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Development Department, on behalf of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, applied for, and received, a Transportation Alternative Program grant to assist with funding of the project; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 2021-11-010 (Legistar #21-1468) supports funding the project should the City be awarded the grant; and

WHEREAS, the grant agreement requires that a maintenance agreement between the City of La Crosse and the WisDOT is established that describes what responsibilities the City is required to perform regarding the path and the bridge; and

WHEREAS, the attached agreement states that the City is required to maintain, repair, and replace all aspects of the path, lighting, and fencing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of La Crosse that the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to sign the maintenance agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City staff are hereby authorized to effectuate this resolution.