

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE FOR THE CITY OF LA CROSSE PENDING THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of La Crosse is committed to the principles of fair housing and the elimination of discrimination in housing opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the City of La Crosse receives federal funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and, as a requirement, must affirmatively further fair housing, which includes conducting an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI); and

WHEREAS, the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice examines barriers to fair housing within the City, identifies contributing factors, and recommends actions to promote equal housing opportunities for all residents; and

WHEREAS, the City of La Crosse, in collaboration with stakeholders, community organizations, and residents, has completed a comprehensive Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice to identify existing challenges and develop strategic solutions to mitigate these barriers; and

WHEREAS, the City has provided opportunities for public review and comment on the findings of the Analysis of Impediments, ensuring transparency and community engagement in the process; and

WHEREAS, the Economic and Community Development Commission of the City of La Crosse finds that the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice is a necessary and beneficial document that will guide policy decisions and fair housing initiatives within the City, pending the completion of the public comment period;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Economic and Community Development Commission of the City of La Crosse hereby approves and adopts the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice as an official guiding document to address fair housing challenges and implement strategies that promote equal access to housing for all residents, contingent upon the conclusion of the public comment period; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of La Crosse will continue to work collaboratively with local, state, and federal partners to address fair housing impediments and support initiatives that foster an inclusive and equitable housing market.