

MINUTES of a regular, open, public session of the Common Council of the City of La Crosse, La Crosse County, Wisconsin, held in the City Hall Council Chamber, 400 La Crosse Street, La Crosse, Wisconsin, in said City, at 6:00 o'clock P.M., on the 9th day of December, 2021.

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The meeting was called to order by the President, and upon the roll being called, Mitch Reynolds, the President, and the following Council Members were physically present at said location: \_\_\_\_\_

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The following Council Members were absent and did not participate in the meeting in any manner or to any extent whatsoever: \_\_\_\_\_

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The City Clerk announced that proposals had been received by the City for the purchase of the City's \$2,755,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2021C, pursuant to sealed bids, and that, for the purposes set forth therein, the Common Council would consider the adoption of a resolution providing details of said notes, prescribing the form of notes, awarding the notes to the best bidder, levying taxes, and related matters.

Thereupon the following resolutions were introduced by Mayor Mitch Reynolds:

RESOLUTION authorizing the issuance of approximately \$2,850,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2021C, of the City of La Crosse, La Crosse County, Wisconsin, in such amount, providing details, prescribing the form of note, awarding the notes to the best bidder, levying taxes, and related matters.

WHEREAS, cities are authorized, pursuant to the provisions of Section 67.12(12), *Wisconsin Statutes*, as supplemented and amended (the “*Statute*”), to issue promissory notes for projects undertaken for public purposes; and

WHEREAS, the term “*public purpose*” is defined in the Statute as “the performance of any power or duty of the issuing municipality;” and

WHEREAS, the City of La Crosse, La Crosse County, Wisconsin (the “*City*”) now wishes to fund various public purposes in and for the City (the “*Projects*”), and

WHEREAS, it is considered necessary and desirable by the Common Council of the City (the “*Council*”) that the City borrow \$2,755,000 to pay the costs of the Projects and that the City issue its General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2021C (the “*Notes*”) to evidence the indebtedness thereby incurred; and

WHEREAS, notice of the sale of the Notes was published on October 11, 2021, in *The Bond Buyer*; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the advertisement aforesaid, sealed bids were received for the purchase of the Notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$2,755,000 until 10:00 A.M., C.S.T. on December 9, 2021, and are as follows:

NAME OF BIDDER	TRUE INTEREST RATE (%)
Robert W. Baird & Co., Incorporated	1.1612
StoneX Financial Inc.	1.2540
UBS Financial Services Inc.	1.2729
Bernardi Securities, Inc.	1.3561
BOK Financial Securities, Inc.	1.4608

; and

WHEREAS, the bid of Robert W. Baird & Co., Incorporated (the “*Purchaser*”), at a price of \$3,095,165.18 plus accrued interest to the date of delivery, if any, was the best bid submitted, which bid is attached hereto as *Exhibit A*; and

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Common Council of the City of La Crosse, La Crosse County, Wisconsin, as follows:

*Section 1. Definitions.* For all purposes of this Resolution, except as otherwise expressly provided herein or unless the context otherwise requires, the terms defined in this Section 1 shall have the meanings set forth below, and shall include the plural as well as the singular.

“Code” shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

“Note Register” shall mean the books of the City kept by the Registrar to evidence the registration and transfer of the Notes.

“Registrar” shall mean U.S. Bank National Association, or a successor designated as Registrar under this Resolution.

“Resolution” shall mean this resolution as adopted by the Council.

*Section 2. Authorization.* The issuance of \$2,755,000 aggregate principal amount of promissory notes is hereby authorized for the purpose of providing funds in an amount sufficient to finance the costs of the public purpose of completing the Projects, as set out in the preambles to this Resolution.

The Notes shall be designated “General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2021C,” shall be dated the date of delivery thereof, as originally issued, and shall also bear the date of their authentication by the Registrar. The Notes shall be in fully registered form, shall be in denominations of \$5,000 each and integral multiples thereof (but no single Note shall represent installments of principal maturing on more than one date), shall be lettered “R” and numbered consecutively starting with the number one, shall mature as to principal serially on March 1 of each of the years and in the principal amounts, and shall bear interest at the rates per annum, as follows:

YEAR	PRINCIPAL AMOUNT	INTEREST RATE
2022	\$280,000	5.00%
2023	275,000	5.00%
2024	275,000	5.00%
2025	275,000	5.00%
2026	275,000	5.00%
2027	280,000	5.00%
2028	280,000	5.00%
2029	265,000	5.00%
2030	270,000	5.00%
2031	280,000	2.00%

*Section 3. Interest; Payment Provisions.* The Notes shall bear interest from their date or from the most recent interest payment date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, at the interest rates set out above, such interest (computed upon the basis of a 360-day year

consisting of twelve 30-day months) being payable on March 1 and September 1 of each year, commencing on March 1, 2022. Interest on each Note shall be paid by check or draft of the Registrar to the person or entity in whose name such Note is registered at the close of business on the fifteenth day of the calendar month next preceding the applicable interest payment date or by wire transfer to any securities depository referred to in Section 5 of this Resolution. The principal of each Note shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America only upon presentation and surrender of the Notes at the designated office of the Registrar.

*Section 4. Execution; Authentication.* The Notes shall be executed on behalf of the City with the manual or facsimile signature of the Mayor of the City and with the manual or facsimile signature of the City Clerk of the City, and sealed with the official seal of the City or a printed facsimile of such seal. In case any officer whose signature shall appear on any Note shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of such Note, such signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes, the same as if such officer had remained in office until delivery. The Notes may be prepared in printed or typewritten form.

All Notes shall have thereon a certificate of authentication substantially in the form hereinafter set forth duly executed by the Registrar as authenticating agent of the City and showing the date of authentication of the Notes. No Note shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any security or benefit under this Resolution unless and until such certificate of authentication shall have been duly executed by the Registrar by manual signature, and such certificate of authentication upon any such Note shall be conclusive evidence that such Note has been authenticated and delivered under this Resolution. The certificate of authentication on any Note shall be deemed to have been executed by the Registrar if signed by the Registrar.

*Section 5. Registration of Notes; Persons Treated as Owners.* (a) The City shall cause books the Note Register to be kept at the designated office of the Registrar, which is hereby constituted and appointed the registrar of the City with respect to the Notes herein authorized. The City is authorized to prepare, and the Registrar shall keep custody of, multiple Note blanks executed by the City for use in the transfer and exchange of Notes.

Upon surrender for transfer of any Note or Notes at the designated office of the Registrar duly endorsed by, or accompanied by a written instrument or instruments of transfer in form satisfactory to the Registrar duly executed by, the registered owner thereof or his attorney duly authorized in writing, the City shall execute and the Registrar shall authenticate, date and deliver in the name of the transferee or transferees a new fully registered Note or Notes of the same maturity and interest rate of authorized denomination or denominations, for a like aggregate principal amount. Any fully registered Note or Notes may be exchanged at said office of the Registrar for a like aggregate principal amount of Note or Notes of the same maturity and interest rate of other authorized denomination or denominations. The execution by the City of any fully registered Note shall constitute full and due authorization of such Note, and the Registrar shall thereby be authorized to authenticate, date and deliver such Note; *provided, however*, that the principal amount of the outstanding Notes authenticated by the Registrar shall never exceed the authorized principal amount of the Notes, less previous retirements.

The Registrar may, but shall not be required to, transfer or exchange any Note during the period of fifteen (15) days next preceding any interest payment date on such Note, nor to transfer or exchange any Note after notice calling such Note for prepayment has been given nor during the period of fifteen (15) days next preceding giving a notice of prepayment of any Notes.

The person or persons in whose name any Note shall be registered shall be deemed and regarded as the absolute owner thereof for all purposes, and payment of the principal of, premium (if any) or interest on any Note shall be made only to or upon the order of the registered owner thereof or his legal representative. All such payments shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability upon such Note to the extent of the sum or sums so paid.

No service charge shall be made for any transfer or exchange of Notes, but the City or the Registrar may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with any transfer or exchange of Notes, except in the case of the issuance of a Note or Notes for the unprepaid portion of a Note surrendered for prepayment.

(b) *Global Book-Entry System.* The Notes shall be initially issued in the form of a separate single fully registered Note for each of the maturities of the Notes determined as described in Section 2 hereof. Unless otherwise requested by any Purchaser, upon initial issuance, the ownership of each such Note shall be registered in the Note Register in the name of Cede & Co., or any successor thereto (“Cede”), as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, and its successors and assigns (“DTC”). All of the outstanding Notes shall be registered in the Note Register in the name of Cede, as nominee of DTC, except as hereinafter provided. The Mayor, the City Manager, the Treasurer, the Director of Finance and any other business official of the City and the Registrar are each authorized to execute and deliver, on behalf of the City, such letters to or agreements with DTC as shall be necessary to effectuate such book-entry system (any such letter or agreement being referred to herein as the “*Representation Letter*”), which Representation Letter may provide for the payment of principal of or interest on the Notes by wire transfer.

With respect to Notes registered in the Note Register in the name of Cede, as nominee of DTC, the City and the Registrar shall have no responsibility or obligation to any broker-dealer, bank or other financial institution for which DTC holds Notes from time to time as securities depository (each such broker-dealer, bank or other financial institution being referred to herein as a “*DTC Participant*”) or to any person on behalf of whom such a DTC Participant holds an interest in the Notes. Without limiting the immediately preceding sentence, the City and the Registrar shall have no responsibility or obligation with respect to (i) the accuracy of the records of DTC, Cede or any DTC Participant with respect to any ownership interest in the Notes, (ii) the delivery to any DTC Participant or any other person, other than a registered owner of a Note as shown in the Note Register, of any notice with respect to the Notes, including any notice of prepayment, or (iii) the payment to any DTC Participant or any other person, other than a registered owner of a Note as shown in the Note Register, of any amount with respect to the principal of or interest on the Notes. The City and the Registrar may treat and consider the person in whose name each Note is registered in the Note Register as the holder and absolute owner of such Note for the purpose of payment of principal and interest with respect to such Note, for the purpose of giving notices of prepayment and other matters with respect to such Note, for the purpose of registering transfers

with respect to such Note, and for all other purposes whatsoever. The Registrar shall pay all principal of and interest on the Notes only to or upon the order of the respective registered owners of the Notes, as shown in the Note Register, or their respective attorneys duly authorized in writing, and all such payments shall be valid and effective to fully satisfy and discharge the City's obligations with respect to payment of the principal of and interest on the Notes to the extent of the sum or sums so paid. No person other than a registered owner of a Note as shown in the Note Register, shall receive a Note evidencing the obligation of the City to make payments of principal and interest with respect to any Note. Upon delivery by DTC to the Registrar of written notice to the effect that DTC has determined to substitute a new nominee in place of Cede, and subject to the provisions in Section 3 hereof with respect to the payment of interest to the registered owners of Notes at the close of business on the 15th day of the month next preceding the applicable interest payment date, the name "Cede" in this resolution shall refer to such new nominee of DTC.

In the event that (i) the City determines that DTC is incapable of discharging its responsibilities described herein and in the Representation Letter, (ii) the agreement among the City, the Registrar and DTC evidenced by the Representation Letter shall be terminated for any reason or (iii) the City determines that it is in the best interests of the beneficial owners of the Notes that they be able to obtain certificated Notes, the City shall notify DTC and DTC Participants of the availability through DTC of certificated Notes and the Notes shall no longer be restricted to being registered in the Note Register in the name of Cede, as nominee of DTC. At that time, the City may determine that the Notes shall be registered in the name of and deposited with such other depository operating a universal book-entry system, as may be acceptable to the City, or such depository's agent or designee, and if the City does not select such alternate universal book-entry system, then the Notes may be registered in whatever name or names registered owners of Notes transferring or exchanging Notes shall designate, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5(a) hereof.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this resolution to the contrary, so long as any Note is registered in the name of Cede, as nominee of DTC, all payments with respect to principal of and interest on such Note and all notices with respect to such Note shall be made and given, respectively, in the name provided in the Representation Letter.

*Section 6. Prepayment.* The Notes maturing on and after March 1, 2030, shall be subject to prepayment at the option of the City, as a whole or in part in such order as the City shall determine (less than all of the Notes of a single maturity to be selected by the Registrar, as hereinafter provided), on March 1, 2029 and on any date thereafter, at a prepayment price of 100% of the principal amount thereof being prepaid plus accrued interest to the date fixed for prepayment.

The Notes shall be prepaid only in the principal amount of \$5,000 each and integral multiples thereof. At least forty-five (45) days prior to the date fixed for prepayment (unless a shorter notice shall be satisfactory to the Registrar), the City shall notify the Registrar of such date fixed for prepayment and of the principal amount and order of the Notes to be prepaid on such date. For purposes of any prepayment of less than all of the outstanding Notes of a single maturity, the particular Notes or portions of Notes to be prepaid shall be selected by the Registrar from the outstanding Notes of such maturity then outstanding by such method as the Registrar shall deem

fair and appropriate, and which may provide for the selection for prepayment of Notes or portions of Notes in principal amounts of \$5,000 and integral multiples thereof.

The Registrar shall promptly notify the City in writing of the Notes or portions of Notes selected for prepayment and, in the case of any Note selected for partial prepayment, the principal amount thereof to be prepaid.

*Section 7. Prepayment Procedure.* Unless waived by any registered owner of Notes (or portions thereof) to be prepaid, notice of the call for any such prepayment shall be given by the Registrar on behalf of the City by mailing the prepayment notice by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, or given by facsimile transmission, electronic transmission or overnight express delivery service not less than thirty (30) days and not more than sixty (60) days prior to the date fixed for prepayment to the registered owner of the Note or Notes to be prepaid at the address shown on the Note Register or at such other address as is furnished in writing by such registered owner to the Registrar. Failure to give such notice by mailing or otherwise to any owner of any Note, or any defect therein, shall not affect the validity of any proceedings for the prepayment of any other Notes.

All notices of prepayment shall state:

- (1) the date fixed for prepayment,
- (2) the prepayment price,
- (3) if less than all outstanding Notes are to be prepaid, the identification, including CUSIP numbers (and, in the case of partial prepayment, the respective principal amounts) of the Notes to be prepaid,
- (4) that on the date fixed for prepayment the prepayment price will become due and payable upon each such Note or portion thereof called for prepayment, and that interest thereon shall cease to accrue from and after said date, and
- (5) the place where such Notes are to be surrendered for payment of the prepayment price, which place of payment shall be the designated office of the Registrar.

Unless moneys sufficient to pay the prepayment price of the Notes to be redeemed at the option of the City shall have been received by the Registrar prior to the giving of such notice of prepayment, such notice may, at the option of the City, state that said prepayment shall be conditional upon the receipt of such moneys by the Registrar on or prior to the date fixed for prepayment. If such moneys are not received, such notice shall be of no force and effect, the City shall not redeem such Notes, and the Registrar shall give notice, in the same manner in which the notice of prepayment shall have been given, that such moneys were not so received and that such Notes will not be redeemed. Otherwise, prior to any prepayment date, the City shall deposit with the Registrar an amount of money sufficient to pay the prepayment price of all the Notes or portions of Notes which are to be redeemed on that date.

Subject to the provisions for a conditional prepayment described above, notice of prepayment having been given as aforesaid, the Notes or portions of Notes so to be redeemed shall, on the prepayment date, become due and payable at the prepayment price therein specified, and from and after such date (unless the City shall default in the payment of the prepayment price) such Notes or portions of Notes shall cease to bear interest. Upon surrender of such Notes for prepayment in accordance with said notice, such Notes shall be paid by the Registrar at the prepayment price. Installments of interest due on or prior to the prepayment date shall be payable as herein provided for payment of interest. Upon surrender for any partial prepayment of any Note, there shall be prepared for the registered holder a new Note or Notes of the same maturity in the amount of the unpaid principal.

If any Note or portion of Note called for prepayment shall not be so paid upon surrender thereof for prepayment, the principal shall, until paid, bear interest from the prepayment date at the rate borne by the Note or portion of Note so called for prepayment. All Notes which have been redeemed shall be cancelled and destroyed by the Registrar and shall not be reissued.

*Section 8. Form of Notes.* The Notes, the certificate of authentication to be endorsed thereon and the form of assignment to be endorsed thereon are all to be in substantially the following forms with necessary and appropriate variations, omissions and insertions as permitted or required by this Resolution:



No. R- \_\_\_\_\_

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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**STATE OF WISCONSIN**

**COUNTY OF LA CROSSE**

**CITY OF LA CROSSE**

**GENERAL OBLIGATION PROMISSORY NOTE, SERIES 2021C**

RATE OF INTEREST	MATURITY DATE	DATED DATE	CUSIP NUMBER
_____ %	March 1, _____	December 23, 2021	_____

Registered Owner:

Principal Amount:

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That the City of La Crosse in the County of La Crosse and the State of Wisconsin (the “City”), hereby acknowledges itself to owe and for value received promises to pay to the Registered Owner hereinabove identified, or registered assigns as hereinafter provided, on the Maturity Date hereinabove identified the Principal Amount hereinabove identified and to pay interest (computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) on such Principal Amount from the Dated Date hereinabove identified or from the most recent interest payment date to which interest has been paid at the Rate of Interest per annum hereinabove identified on March 1 and September 1 of each year, commencing on March 1, 2022 until said Principal Amount is paid, except as the provisions hereinafter set forth with respect to prepayment may be and become applicable to this Note.

The principal of this Note is payable in lawful money of the United States of America only upon presentation and surrender of this Note at the designated office of the U.S. Bank National Association, as registrar and paying agent, or any successor registrar and paying agent (the “Registrar”). Payment of each installment of interest hereon shall be made to the Registered Owner hereof who shall appear on the registration books of the City maintained by the Registrar at the close of business on the fifteenth day of the calendar month next preceding the applicable interest payment date, and shall be paid by check or draft of the Registrar mailed to such Registered Owner at his address as it appears on such registration books or at such other address as may be furnished in writing by such Registered Owner to the Registrar, or may be paid by wire transfer to any securities depository as provided in the Resolution hereinafter referred to.

This Note is one of an authorized issue of General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2021C, aggregating the principal amount of \$2,755,000 (the “Notes”) and issued to finance the

costs of the Projects (as defined in the hereinafter defined Resolution), in all respects in compliance with Chapter 67, *Wisconsin Statutes*, as supplemented and amended, and a resolution adopted by the Common Council of the City on December 9, 2021 (the “*Resolution*”).

This Note is transferable by the Registered Owner hereof in person or by his attorney duly authorized in writing at the designated office of the Registrar, but only in the manner, subject to the limitations and upon payment of the charges provided in the Resolution, and upon surrender and cancellation of this Note. Upon such transfer, a new Note or Notes of the same maturity and interest rate of authorized denomination or denominations and for a like aggregate principal amount, will be issued to the transferee in exchange for this Note.

The Notes are issuable in fully registered form in denominations of \$5,000 each and integral multiples thereof. This Note may be exchanged at the designated office of the Registrar for a like aggregate principal amount of Notes of the same maturity and interest rate of other authorized denominations, upon the terms set forth in the Resolution.

The City and the Registrar may deem and treat the registered owner hereof as the absolute owner hereof for the purpose of receiving payment of or on account of principal hereof and interest due hereon and for all other purposes, and neither the City nor the Registrar shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

The Notes maturing on and after March 1, 2030, are subject to prepayment at the option of the City, as a whole or in part in such order as the City may determine in integral multiples of \$5,000, less than all Notes of a single maturity to be selected by the Registrar, as provided in the Resolution, in such manner as it shall deem fair and appropriate, on March 1, 2029, and on any date thereafter, at a prepayment price of 100% of the principal amount thereof being prepaid plus accrued interest to the date fixed for prepayment.

Notice of any intended prepayment shall be sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, or be given by facsimile transmission, electronic transmission or overnight express delivery service not less than thirty (30) days and not more than sixty (60) days prior to the date fixed for prepayment to the registered owner of each Note to be prepaid (in whole or in part) at the address shown on the registration books of the City maintained by the Registrar or at such other address as is furnished in writing by such registered owner to the Registrar. Such notice of prepayment may be conditional as provided in the Resolution. When so called for prepayment, this Note, or the portion hereof being so called for prepayment, will cease to bear interest on the specified prepayment date, provided funds for prepayment are on deposit at the place of payment on that date, and shall not be deemed to be outstanding.

It is hereby certified, recited and declared that all acts, conditions and things required to be done, exist, happen and be performed precedent to and in the issuance of this Note have been done, have existed, have happened and have been performed in due time, form and manner as required by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Wisconsin; that this Note, together with all other indebtedness of the City, does not exceed any limitation prescribed by law; and that the City has levied a direct annual irrevocable tax sufficient to pay the interest hereon when it falls due and also to pay and discharge the principal hereof at maturity.

The full faith, credit and resources of the City are hereby pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on this Note and the issue of which it is a part as the same respectively become due and for the levy and collection of sufficient taxes for that purpose.

This Note shall not be valid or become obligatory for any purpose until the certificate of authentication hereon shall have been signed by the Registrar.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the City of La Crosse, La Crosse County, Wisconsin, by its City Council, has caused this Note to be executed with the duly authorized manual or facsimile signature of its Mayor and with the duly authorized manual or facsimile signature of its City Clerk, and its official seal or a facsimile thereof to be impressed or reproduced hereon, as of the Dated Date hereinabove identified.

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

[SEAL]

#### CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

This Note is one of the Notes described in the within mentioned Resolution, and is one of the General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2021C, of the City of La Crosse, La Crosse County, Wisconsin.

Date of Authentication: \_\_\_\_\_, 2021

\_\_\_\_\_,  
as Note Registrar

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signatory

The following abbreviations, when used in the inscription on the face of the within Note, shall be construed as though they were written out in full according to applicable laws or regulations:

TEN COM-	as tenants in common	UNIF GIFT/TRANS MIN ACT- Custodian
		(Cust) (Minor)
TEN ENT-	as tenants by the entirety	under Uniform Gifts/Transfers to Minors
JT TEN-	as joint tenants with right of survivorship and not as tenants in common	Act _____ (State)

Additional abbreviations may also be used though not listed above.

**ASSIGNMENT**

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name and Address of Assignee)

the within Note, and does hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint \_\_\_\_\_, or its successor as Registrar, to transfer the said Note on the books kept for registration thereof with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTICE: The signature to this Assignment must correspond with the name of the registered owner as it appears upon the face of the within Note in every particular, without alteration or enlargement or any change whatever.

Signature guaranteed: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTICE: Signature(s) must be guaranteed by an “eligible guarantor institution” meeting the requirements of the Registrar, which requirements include membership or participation in STAMP or such other “signature guaranty program” as may be determined by the Registrar in addition to or in substitution for STAMP, all in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

*Section 9. Sale of Notes.* The sale of the Notes to the Purchaser at a price of \$3,095,165.18, plus accrued interest to the date of delivery, if any, is hereby confirmed. The City Treasurer of the City is hereby authorized to deliver the Notes to said purchasers upon payment of the purchase price.

*Section 10. Tax Levy.* In order to provide for the collection of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the interest on the Notes and to pay and discharge the principal thereof at maturity, there is hereby levied upon all the taxable property in the City a direct annual tax in amounts sufficient for that purpose (except for the portion thereof to be paid from funds deposited into the Debt Service Fund (as hereinafter defined) at the time of the issuance of the Notes, as described below), and there is hereby levied upon all taxable property in the City the following direct annual tax in each of the years and amounts, to-wit:

YEAR	AMOUNT
2021	\$280,000.00
2022	275,000.00
2023	275,000.00
2024	275,000.00
2025	330,362.60
2026	325,250.00
2027	311,250.00
2028	282,625.00
2029	278,300.00
2030	282,800.00

In each of said years from 2021 to 2030, inclusive, the direct annual tax above levied shall be extended upon the tax rolls of the City in the same manner and time as taxes for general City purposes, and when collected the proceeds of said taxes shall be deposited into the account of the Debt Service Fund established in favor of the Notes, to be used solely for paying the principal of and interest on the Notes as long as any of the Notes remain outstanding.

The City has funds on hand and available in the amount of \$340,165.18 in the Debt Service Fund in respect of premium, which is sufficient to pay a portion of the interest on the Notes coming due on March 1, 2022, September 1, 2022, March 1, 2023, September 1, 2023, March 1, 2024, September 1, 2024, March 1, 2025, September 1, 2025 and March 1, 2026 which funds are hereby appropriated to the payment of such interest.

*Section 11. Sufficiency.* Interest or principal maturing at any time during the life of the Notes when there shall be insufficient funds on hand from the above tax levy to pay the same shall be paid promptly when due from the general fund of the City, and said fund shall be reimbursed in a like amount out of the proceeds of taxes hereby levied when the same shall have been collected.

*Section 12. Establishment of Debt Service Fund.* There has been ordered to be established in the City Treasury a fund separate and distinct from all other funds of the City to be

designated the “*General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2021C Debt Service Fund*” (the “*Debt Service Fund*”), which fund shall be used solely for the purpose of paying the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Notes. There shall be deposited in such fund all premium, if any, and accrued interest paid on the Notes at the time the Notes are delivered to the purchaser thereof; all money raised by taxation pursuant to Section 10 hereof; and such other sums as may be necessary to pay the interest on the Notes when the same shall become due and to retire the Notes at their respective maturity dates.

*Section 13. Use of Proceeds; No Arbitrage; Notes to Remain in Fully Registered Form.* Proceeds of the Notes in the amount of \$340,165.18 will be deposited into the Debt Service Fund and be used to pay the first interest coming due on the Notes. The balance of the principal proceeds of the Notes shall be deposited in a special fund (the “*Construction Fund*”), and used solely for the purpose for which the Notes are hereby authorized. The principal proceeds from the sale of the Notes shall be used only to pay the costs aforesaid and the Council hereby covenants and agrees that said principal proceeds shall be devoted to and used with due diligence for such purposes.

The City recognizes that the purchasers and owners of the Notes will have accepted them on, and paid therefor a price which reflects, the understanding that the interest thereon is excludible from gross income of the owners thereof for Federal income tax purposes under laws in force at the time the Notes shall have been delivered. In this connection, the City agrees that it shall take no action which may render the interest on any of the Notes includible in gross income of the owners thereof for Federal income tax purposes and that the principal proceeds of the sale of the Notes shall be devoted to and used with due diligence for the purposes for which the Notes are hereby authorized to be issued. The City agrees that, to the extent possible under state law, it will comply with whatever Federal law is adopted in the future which applies to the Notes and affects the tax-exempt status of the interest on the Notes.

The Mayor, the City Clerk, the City Treasurer or the Finance Director of the City, or any of them, are hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City a Tax Exemption Certificate and Agreement to assure the purchasers and owners of the Notes that the proceeds of the Notes are not expected to be used in a manner which would or might result in the Notes being “reimbursement bonds” issued in contravention of Section 1.103-18 of the United States Treasury Department Regulations (the “*Regulations*”) or “arbitrage bonds” under Section 148 of the Code or the Regulations currently in effect or proposed. Such Tax Exemption Certificate and Agreement shall constitute a representation, certification and covenant of the City, and shall be incorporated herein by reference, and no use or investment of Note proceeds or of moneys accumulated to pay the Notes herein authorized shall be made in violation of the expectations prescribed by said Tax Exemption Certificate and Agreement. Such Tax Exemption Certificate and Agreement shall constitute an agreement of the City to follow certain covenants which may require the City to take certain actions (including the payment of certain amounts to the United States Treasury) or which may prohibit certain actions (including the establishment of certain funds) under certain conditions as specified in such Tax Exemption Certificate and Agreement.

The City further recognizes that Section 149(a) of the Code requires the Notes to be issued and to remain in fully registered form in order that the interest thereon is excludible from gross income of the owners thereof for Federal income tax purposes under laws in force at the time the

Notes are delivered. In this connection, the City agrees that it will not take any action to permit the Notes to be issued in, or converted into, bearer or coupon form.

*Section 14. Duties of Registrar.* If requested by the Registrar, the Interim City Manager of the City is hereby authorized to execute, and the City Clerk of the City is hereby authorized to attest and to affix the official seal of the City, and said Interim City Manager and said City Clerk are hereby authorized to deliver, the Registrar's standard form of agreement between the City and the Registrar with respect to the obligations and duties of the Registrar hereunder, which shall include the following:

- (a) to act as Registrar, authenticating agent, paying agent and transfer agent as provided herein;
- (b) to give notice of prepayment of Notes as provided herein;
- (c) to cancel and destroy Notes which have been paid at maturity or upon earlier prepayment or submitted for exchange or transfer;
- (d) to furnish the City at least annually a certificate of destruction with respect to Notes cancelled and destroyed; and
- (e) to furnish the City at least annually an audit confirmation of Notes paid, Notes outstanding and payments made with respect to the interest on the Notes.

The City covenants that it shall at all times retain a Registrar with respect to the Notes, that it will maintain at the designated office of such Registrar a place or places where Notes may be presented for payment or for registration of transfer or exchange, and that it shall require that the Registrar properly maintain the Note Register and perform the other duties and obligations imposed upon it by this Resolution in a manner consistent with the standards, customs and practices of the municipal securities industry.

The Registrar shall signify its acceptance of the duties and obligations imposed upon it by this Resolution by executing the certificate of authentication on any Note, and by such execution, the Registrar shall be deemed to have certified to the City that it has all requisite power to accept and has accepted such duties and obligations. The Registrar is the agent of the City, and shall not be liable in connection with the performance of its duties, except for its own negligence or willful wrongdoing. The Registrar shall, however, be responsible for any representation in its certificate of authentication on the Notes.

The Registrar may be removed at any time by the City by an instrument in writing delivered to the Registrar. In case the Registrar shall be removed, or be dissolved, or shall be in the course of dissolution or liquidation, or otherwise become incapable of acting hereunder, or in case it shall be taken under the control of any public officer or officers, or of a receiver appointed by a court, a successor may be appointed by the City by an instrument in writing, a copy of which shall be delivered to the retiring Registrar, the successor Registrar and the registered owners of the Notes. The City shall mail notice of any such appointment made by it to each registered owner of any

Note within twenty (20) days after such appointment. Any Registrar appointed under the provisions of this Section 14 shall be an officer of the City or a bank, trust company or national banking association.

Any corporation or association into which the Registrar may be converted or merged, or with which it may be consolidated, or to which it may sell or transfer its corporate trust business as a whole or substantially as a whole, or any corporation or association resulting from any such conversion, merger or consolidation to which it is a party, shall be and become successor Registrar hereunder, and vested with all the duties, powers, discretions, immunities, privileges and all other matters as was its predecessor, without the execution or filing of any instrument or any further act, deed or conveyance on the part of any of the parties hereto, anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding. Any such successor Registrar shall give notice thereof to the City and the registered owners of the Notes.

*Section 15. Continuing Disclosure Undertaking.* The Mayor, the City Clerk and the City Treasurer/Director of Finance of the City is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute and deliver a Continuing Disclosure Undertaking with respect to the Notes (the “*Continuing Disclosure Undertaking*”) in substantially the form as the individual executing the Continuing Disclosure Undertaking on behalf of the City shall approve, his or her execution thereof to constitute conclusive evidence of his or her approval of the form of such Continuing Disclosure Undertaking. When the Continuing Disclosure Undertaking is executed and delivered on behalf of the City as herein provided, the Continuing Disclosure Undertaking will be binding on the City and the officers, employees and agents of the City, and the officers, employees and agents of the City are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to do all such acts and things and to execute all such documents as may be necessary to carry out and comply with the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Undertaking, as executed. Copies of the Continuing Disclosure Undertaking shall be placed in the official records of the City, and shall be available for public inspection at the offices of the City. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Resolution to the contrary, the sole remedy for failure to comply with the Continuing Disclosure Undertaking shall be the ability of any beneficial owner of any Note to seek mandamus or specific performance by court order to cause the City to comply with its obligations under the Continuing Disclosure Undertaking.

*Section 16. Record-Keeping Policy and Post-Issuance Compliance Matters.* On December 9, 2021, by separate resolution, the Council adopted a record-keeping policy (the “*Policy*”) in order to maintain sufficient records to demonstrate compliance with its covenants and expectations to ensure the appropriate federal tax status for the debt obligations of the City, the interest on which is excludable from “gross income” for federal income tax purposes or which enable the City or the holder to receive federal tax benefits, including, but not limited to, qualified tax credit bonds and other specified tax credit bonds. The Council and the City hereby reaffirm the Policy.

*Section 17. Other Documents.* The Mayor, the City Clerk and the City Treasurer of the City and all other officers of the City are hereby authorized to execute all documents and certificates (including without limitation any certificate or agreement executed to comply with Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission) and to take all actions as may be



necessary in connection with the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of the Notes and the performance of the obligations of the City hereunder and to carry out and comply with the terms of this Resolution, including without limitation an official statement describing the Notes and the City. This Resolution and all such documents shall be in substantially the same form contemplated by this Resolution, with such changes as shall be approved by the officers executing this Resolution and said documents, the execution thereof to constitute conclusive proof of such approval.

*Section 18. Severability.* If any section, paragraph or provision of this Resolution shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph or provision shall not affect any of the remaining sections, paragraphs and provisions of this Resolution.

*Section 19. Conflicting Proceedings Superseded.* All ordinances, resolutions or orders, or parts thereof, heretofore enacted, adopted or entered, in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution, shall be and in the same are hereby superseded to the extent of such conflict, and this Resolution shall be in effect from and after its passage.

Adopted: December 9, 2021

Approved: December 9, 2021

Recorded: December 9, 2021

/s/

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Mayor

Attest:

/s/

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City Clerk

**EXHIBIT A**  
**WINNING BID**

Council Member \_\_\_\_\_ moved and Council Member \_\_\_\_\_ seconded the motion that said ordinance as presented and read by title be adopted.

After a full discussion thereof, the Mayor directed that the roll be called for a vote upon the motion to adopt said resolution.

Upon the roll being called, the following Council Members voted AYE: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

and the following Council Members voted NAY: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Whereupon the Mayor declared the motion carried and said resolution adopted, approved and signed the same in open meeting and directed the City Clerk to record the same in full in the records of the City of La Crosse, La Crosse County, Wisconsin, which was done.

Other business not pertinent to the adoption of said ordinance was duly transacted at said meeting.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned.

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City Clerk

STATE OF WISCONSIN        )  
  ) SS  
COUNTY OF LA CROSSE     )

**CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES AND RESOLUTION**

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting City Clerk of the City of La Crosse, La Crosse County, Wisconsin (the “City”), and as such official I further certify that I am the keeper of the records and files of the Common Council of the City (the “Common Council”).

I do further certify that the foregoing constitutes a full, true and complete transcript of the minutes of the meeting of the Common Council held on the 9th day of December, 2021 (the “Meeting”), insofar as same relates to the adoption of a resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION authorizing the issuance of \$2,755,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2021C, of the City of La Crosse, La Crosse County, Wisconsin, in such amount, providing details, prescribing the form of note, awarding the notes to the best bidder, levying taxes, and related matters.

a true, correct and complete copy of which said resolution as adopted at the Meeting appears in the foregoing transcript of the minutes of the Meeting.

I further certify that a true and correct statement of every step or proceeding had or taken to date in connection with the authorization of said notes has been recorded by me in a separate record book, pursuant to the provisions of Section 67.05(12), *Wisconsin Statutes*, as supplemented and amended.

I do further certify that the resolution was adopted at the Meeting, which was an open, lawful public meeting of the Common Council, that the deliberations of the Common Council on the adoption of said resolution were conducted openly, that the vote on the adoption of said resolution was taken openly, and that the Meeting was called, noticed, held and conducted in the manner established by the Common Council and required by the *Wisconsin Statutes*, including, but not limited to, compliance with Sections 19.81 to 19.98, inclusive, of the *Wisconsin Statutes*, as supplemented and amended, notifying the public of the Meeting by distribution an agenda to the media not less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the Meeting, which agenda is available to the public at the City Hall, located within the City, and that a true, correct and complete copy of the agenda as so provided with respect to the Meeting is attached hereto as *Exhibit A*.

WITNESS my official signature and the official seal of said City this 9th day of December, 2021.

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City Clerk

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