

CITY OF LA CROSSE, WISCONSIN
CITY PLAN COMMISSION
REPORT
March 29, 2021

Ø **AGENDA ITEM – 21-0224 (Tim Acklin)**

AN ORDINANCE to amend Section 115-1 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse defining bicycle sharing facilities.

Ø **ROUTING: J&A 3.30.21 public hearing**

Ø **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

This Ordinance establishes a definition in the Municipal Code for bicycle sharing facilities as:

“a facility and all attachments and operational aspects thereto that are part of a bicycle-sharing program. This definition includes, but is not limited to, a rental station, informational signs, bicycles, solar panels, or other equipment attached to and necessary for the facility’s operation. A bicycle sharing facility is not considered a primary use on a parcel and is not calculated into the maximum square footage permitted for accessory structures.”

This definition coincides with the bike share program being established in the City this spring. It will allow for bike share facilities to be located on a parcel of land and not be considered a primary use nor affect the maximum square footage allowed for accessory structures.

Ø **GENERAL LOCATION:**

City Wide

Ø **RECOMMENDATION OF OTHER BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

None

Ø **CONSISTENCY WITH ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:**

Creating comprehensive bicycle network that provides for safe recreational and utilitarian bicycling is an objective in the Transportation Element of the Comprehensive Plan. A bicycle sharing program would help meet this objective.

Ø **PLANNING RECOMMENDATION:**

This Ordinance is recommended for approval.