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Subject: Support for a City Administrator

Dear Members of the La Crosse Common Council,

I am writing to express my support for establishing a City Administrator position for the City of La Crosse.

As our city continues to grow, I believe it's time to invest in consistent, professional leadership that can provide long-term strategic management. A dedicated City Administrator would strengthen economic development, improve city services, and create a more streamlined experience for businesses and community partners.

Through my work in the nonprofit and business community, I've heard from countless colleagues how difficult it can be to work with the city in a fair, consistent, and timely manner. Too often, great projects that would benefit our community are slowed by inconsistent processes and a lack of coordination between departments.

La Crosse is a regional economic hub with a budget of more than \$70 million. An organization of this size deserves professional executive management that provides continuity, accountability, and efficient operations. As elected officials, this will allow you to focus on setting up policy while our City Administrator ensures the day-to-day work of government is more effective.

Time is money. With better coordination between departments and clearer, more consistent processes would benefit businesses, nonprofits, developers, and residents alike. If we want La Crosse to remain competitive and continue attracting investment, we need a government structure that can keep pace with our community's growth.

To move forward, we need a City Administrator.

Thank-you for you consideration.
Paige Manges