

Proposed Amended Resolution for Council 11.14.2024 (Neumann)

Amended Resolution authorizing takeover, maintenance, and ownership of ornamental neighborhood streetlighting on MacHarley Lane.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, ornamental streetlighting was installed by the developer of the MacHarley Lane pocket neighborhood circa the year 2000, and,

WHEREAS, the Homeowners Association was originally intended to own and fund power for the ornamental streetlighting; and

WHEREAS, residents of the street have recently made requests for the City of La Crosse to take ownership, to repair, maintain, power, and ultimately replace the failing streetlighting, which was installed in the Public Right-of-Way, in the turf boulevard area between the curb & gutter and sidewalk.

WHEREAS, the Homeowners Association does not know how much the power costs, nor who specifically pays for it, even though there is a belief that the power might be originating from private property.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of La Crosse that it hereby conditionally authorizes taking ownership of the derelict streetlight poles on MacHarley Lane, and to conduct in-house maintenance to extend the use of the lights until such time as a Capital Improvement Project can replace the lights with modern neighborhood lighting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that repair and maintenance of up to five (5) lamp posts and luminaires, including wiring and re-lamping, are conditionally authorized to be absorbed into the Street Department inventory, including monthly power charges.

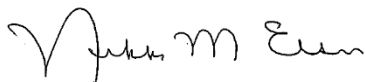
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the cost of the street light operation be conditionally paid by the Street Lighting Operating Budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that City staff are hereby conditionally authorized to effectuate this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect upon the occurrence of the following conditions precedent in the next nine (9) months after adoption:

1. That Xcel, the Homeowners Association or other person shall determine and identify how power feeds into the streetlighting to the satisfaction of the City Engineer.
2. That Xcel, the Homeowners Association or other person shall determine and identify the periodic costs of providing power to the streetlighting to the satisfaction of the City Engineer.
3. That if it is determined that power feeds into the streetlighting from private property, in the sole and absolute discretion of the City Engineer, appropriate legal documents shall be executed and recorded in favor of the City.

I, Nikki M. Elsen, certify that this resolution was duly and officially adopted by the Common Council of the City of La Crosse on November 14, 2024.



*Nikki M. Elsen, WCMC, City Clerk
City of La Crosse, Wisconsin*