

Resolution allocating and re-appropriating funds for Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade for electric generation permitting.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of La Crosse Sewer Utility previously planned, designed, permitted, funded, and initiated a public bid for construction of a substantial upgrade and expansion project at the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) with Project WWTP-2021-048; and

WHEREAS, the expansion included the production of electric power for use at the WWTP campus through a co-gen unit to burn methane to self-produce sustainable and environmentally responsible power; and

WHEREAS, this process requires a cooperative review and permitting process with Xcel Energy, as the private electric utility that provides power to local and regional customers, to ensure a safe connection to, and interaction with, the local power grid; and

WHEREAS, updated public service commission requirements and unanticipated work during the design phase has resulted in a need for additional funds to facilitate this permitting process and necessary WWTP project tasks remaining; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-360(c) of the Code of Ordinances states *Unanticipated projects/equipment*. Any Capital Project and Capital Equipment item not previously listed in the adopted Capital Budget requiring immediate funding from the Capital Budget will require a two-thirds vote of the Common Council members present at the meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of La Crosse that it hereby authorizes use of additional funding for necessary permitting and remaining WWTP tasks with a new project ID.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Common Council hereby authorizes use of re-allocation and additional funding *from*:

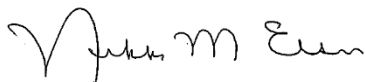
Restricted Sewer Connection Fee Fund (cash) \$300,000

And allocating those funds *to* a new project:

NEW ID# \$300,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City departments and staff are hereby authorized to take required steps to effectuate and implement this resolution.

I, Nikki M. Elsen, certify that this resolution was duly and officially adopted by the Common Council of the City of La Crosse on October 10, 2024.



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