

Resolution authorizing the Sanitary Sewer Utility to hire a design consultant for the Waste Water Treatment Facility Improvements, to obtain funding for the design via a short-term loan, and the appropriation of said funds.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the board of public works authorized the call for proposals for the design of the Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements

WHEREAS, two consultants responded and a quality base selection recommendation was made by Utility and Engineering Staff to hire Donohue and Associates.

WHEREAS, the Utilities desire is to fund the design with State Clean Water Loan program funding, but the program does not upfront design costs; rather, the funding for design can be included in the final award after bidding takes place.

WHEREAS, it is common and acceptable practice in the Clean Water Fund program for communities to fund design of wastewater treatment plants with a short-term loan, and pay the loan off with the Clean Water Loan distribution after the final award of bidding takes place.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of La Crosse that it hereby authorizes entering into a contract with Donohue and Associates for the design of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades, in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Sanitary Sewer Utility is authorized secure a two-year loan from the State Trust Fund Loan program in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000; current interest rates at 2.50%, to fund contract payments to Donohue and Associates.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any payments required on this loan prior to the State Clean Water Fund dispersal be paid for out of the Sanitary Sewer Utility Operating budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clean Water Loan dispersal shall be used to both pay off the short-term loan and reimburse the Sanitary Sewer Utility operating budget for costs associated with both the contract and the loan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Utility Manager and Finance Director are authorized to take any actions necessary, including the purchase of any equipment, materials or services, to effectuate this resolution.

I, Teri Lehrke, certify that this resolution was duly and officially adopted by the Common Council of the City of La Crosse on April 9, 2020.



*Teri Lehrke, City Clerk
City of La Crosse, Wisconsin*