

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of La Crosse Parks and Recreation Department will develop a Hixon Forest Management Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of La Crosse rescinded the 2005 Hixon Forest Comprehensive plan at the Nov 13, 2014 meeting, and

WHEREAS, the City of La Crosse Parks and Recreation Department will submit a DNR Urban Forestry Grant to fund 50% of the plan development, estimated at \$26,000, and

WHEREAS, the funds necessary to fund the Hixon Forest Management Plan contract, utilizing a consultant, are in the Parks and Recreation 2015 Operation Budget, Contract Services Account.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of La Crosse that the Parks & Recreation Department has sufficient funds to complete the project and hereby authorizes the Director of Parks & Recreation to act on behalf of the City of La Crosse to submit an application to the State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for matching funds that may be available and accept said award.

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of La Crosse will comply with State and Federal rules and will obtain from the State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources approval in writing before any change is made in the use of the project funds other than indicated in the grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any grant funds received will be deposited back into the Parks and Recreation 2015 State Grant Culture/Recreation Revenue Account.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Parks & Recreation and Finance Director are hereby authorized to take any and all steps necessary to apply for the 2015 DNR Urban Forestry Grant and to accept funds should the grant be awarded to the City of La Crosse Parks and Recreation Department.