



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Agenda

Economic and Community Development Commission

Wednesday, January 28, 2026

3:00 PM

Council Chambers

The meeting is open for in-person attendance and will also be conducted through video conferencing.

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If you wish to speak on an agenda item, arrive early to sign up before the meeting begins. If attending virtually and you wish to speak, contact the Department of Planning, Development and Assessment at the email or phone number below so we can provide you with the necessary information to join in.

Members of the public who would like to provide written comments on any agenda may do so by emailing emsliej@cityoflacrosse.org, using a drop box outside of City Hall, or mailing the Department of Planning, Development and Assessment, 400 La Crosse Street, La Crosse WI 54601. Questions, call 608-789-7512.

Call to Order

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes

Agenda Items:

[26-0030](#) Annual Code of Ethics Policy Review.

Attachments: [City of La Crosse Code of Ethics Policy](#)

[26-0093](#) 2026 CDBG Public Service Presentations and Possible Action

(Note: The Committee and/or Council may convene in closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. sec. 19.85(1)(a) to deliberate its decision. Following any closed session, the Committees and/or Council may reconvene in open session.)

Attachments: [2026 RFP.pdf](#)

[26-0110](#) HOME-ARP Proposal Presentations

Attachments: [26-0110 Staff Report.pdf](#)

[26-0109](#) Action on Offers to Purchase - 1223 9th St S, La Crosse WI 54601

Attachments: [23-0109 ECDC Memorandum For OTP 1223 9th.pdf](#)

[26-0109 Staff Report - Action on Offers to Purchase 1223 9th St S.pdf](#)

[26-0091](#)

Housing Rehabilitation Program Subordination Request

(Note: The Committee and/or Council may convene in closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. sec. 19.85(1)(a) to deliberate its decision. Following any closed session, the Committees and/or Council may reconvene in open session.)

Attachments: [Housing Rehab Subordination Guidelines.pdf](#)

[26-0091 Subordination Legislative Staff Report - Fillable Form.pdf](#)

Adjournment

Notice is further given that members of other governmental bodies may be present at the above scheduled meeting to gather information about a subject over which they have decision-making responsibility.

NOTICE TO PERSONS WITH A DISABILITY

Requests from persons with a disability who need assistance to participate in this meeting should call the City Clerk's office at (608) 789-7510 or send an email to ADAcityclerk@cityoflacrosse.org, with as much advance notice as possible.



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DIVISION 2. - CODE OF ETHICS

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State Law reference— *Code of ethics for public officers and employees, Wis. Stat. § 19.41 et seq.; code of ethics for local government officials, employees and candidates, Wis. Stat. § 19.59.*

Sec. 2-126. - Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this division, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Anything of value means any money or property, favor, service, payment, advance, forbearance, loan or promise of future employment, but does not include compensation and expenses paid by the City, fees, honorariums and expenses which are permitted and reported under Wis. Stat. § 19.56, political contributions which are reported under Wis. Stat. ch. 11 or hospitality extended for a purpose unrelated to City business by a person other than an organization.

Public employee means any person excluded from the definition of a public officer who is employed by the City of La Crosse.

Public officer means all City officers as defined in Wis. Stat. § 62.09 and all members of Boards, Commissions and Agencies established or appointed by the Mayor or Common Council, whether paid or unpaid.

(Code 1980, § 2.48(A))

Cross reference— Definitions and rules of construction, § 1-2.

Sec. 2-127. - Declaration of policy.

It is declared that high moral and ethical standards among City officers and employees are essential to the conduct of good representative government and that a Code of Ethics for the guidance of Public officers and employees will help them avoid conflicts with improved standards of public service and will promote and strengthen the confidence of the residents of this City in their public officers and employees.

(Code 1980, § 2.48(B))

Sec. 2-128. - Distribution of division.

- (a) The City Clerk shall cause to be distributed to each public officer and employee a copy of this division before entering upon the duties of the public officer or employee's office or employment.

- (b) Each public officer, the President of the Common Council, the Chair of each board, commission or agency and the head of each department shall, between January 1 and January 31 each year, review the provisions of this division and with fellow Council, board, commission, agency members or subordinates, as the case may be, and certify to the City Clerk by February 15 that such annual review had been undertaken. A copy of this division shall be continuously posted on each department bulletin board wherever situated.

(Code 1980, § 2.48(F))

Sec. 2-129. - Ethics Board.

(a) *Membership.*

- (1) The Ethics Board shall be composed of five voting members. The members shall be citizens chosen from the private sector who shall not have an affiliation with City government in any capacity. The members shall be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the majority vote of the City Council.

- (2) Terms of office of the citizen members shall be three years.

(b) *Officers and staff.*

- (1) The Ethics Board shall have its own Chair and Vice-Chair.

- (2) The City Attorney shall furnish the Ethics Board whatever legal assistance, which may become necessary. The Ethics Board may determine the need for private counsel.

- (c) *Advisory opinions.* Any person governed by this Code may apply in writing to the Ethics Board for an advisory opinion. Applicants shall present their interpretation of the facts at issue and of the applicability of the provision of this Code before the advisory opinion is rendered. All opinions shall be in writing and adopted by the Ethics Board by resolution. The Ethics Board's deliberations and action upon such applications shall be in meetings not open to the public, but notice of such meetings shall be given pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.84, Record of the Ethics Board opinions, opinion request and investigations of violations may be closed to public inspection, as permitted by Wis. Stat. ch. 19. The Ethics Board, however, may make such records public with the consent of the applicant.

(Code 1980, § 2.48(G)(1), (G)(2))

Cross reference— Boards and commissions, ch. 2, art. X.

Sec. 2-130. - Violations and complaints.

- (a) The City Clerk shall accept from any person, except a member of the Ethics Board, a signed original complaint that states the name of the official or employee alleged to have violated this Code and that sets forth the material facts involved in the allegation. The City Clerk shall forward

the original complaint to the Ethics Board Chair within three working days.

- (b) Time limitations. No action may be taken on any complaint that is filed more than one year after a violation of this division is alleged to have occurred.
- (c) Ethics Board procedures. Following the receipt of a complaint:
 - (1) The Ethics Board shall notify the accused within ten calendar days.
 - (2) The Ethics Board shall convene within 20 calendar days.
 - (3) The Ethics Board may make preliminary investigations with respect to alleged violation of this Code. A preliminary investigation shall not be initiated unless the accused official or employee is notified in writing within ten calendar days from the initial meeting. The notice shall state the purpose of the investigation and the individual's specific action or activities to be investigated.
 - (4) The Ethics Board shall make every effort to conclude within 120 calendar days.
- (d) Hearings. If the Ethics Board finds that probable cause exists for believing the allegations of the complaint, the Ethics Board may issue an order setting a date for a hearing. If the Ethics Board elects to hold a hearing, the Ethics Board shall give the accused at least 20 calendar days' notice of the hearing date. Such hearing shall be conducted pursuant to the contested case hearing requirements of Wis. Stat. ch. 227 at open session unless the accused petitions for a hearing closed to the public and good cause to close the hearing is shown.
- (e) Right of representation. During all stages of an investigation or proceeding conducted under this section, the accused or any person whose activities are under investigation is entitled to be represented by counsel of personal choice and at personal expense.
- (f) Due process. The accused or the accused's representative shall have an adequate opportunity to:
 - (1) Examine all documents and records to be used at the hearing within a reasonable time before the date of the hearing as well as during the hearing;
 - (2) Have witnesses heard;
 - (3) Establish all pertinent facts and circumstances; and
 - (4) Question or refute any testimony or evidence, including the opportunity to confront and cross-examine adverse witnesses.
- (g) Power to subpoena and administer oaths. The Ethics Board shall have the power to administer oaths and compel the attendance of witnesses by issuing subpoenas as granted other boards and commissions.
- (h) Vote of the Ethics Board. The majority vote of the Ethics Board shall be required for any action taken by the Ethics Board.
- (i) Evidentiary standard. If the recommendation is that a violation of this division has occurred, the Ethics Board must be convinced by clear and convincing evidence that such violation occurred.

(j) Violations.

- (1) If the Ethics Board finds that a violation of this division has occurred, the Ethics Board shall report their findings in writing to the City Council, complainant, and accused, through the City Clerk, within ten working days after reaching a conclusion.
- (2) If the Ethics Board determines that an official or employee has violated any provision of this Code, the Ethics Board may, as part of its report to the City Council, make any of the following recommendations:
 - a. In case of an official who is an elected City Council Member, that City Council considers sanctioning, censuring or removing the person.
 - b. In the case of a citizen member or other elected or appointed City officer, that the City Council consider removing the person from the committee, board or office.
 - c. In the case of an employee, that the employee's appointing authority consider discipline up to and including discharge of the employee.
 - d. That the City Council consider imposing a civil forfeiture in an amount not exceeding \$1,000.00 for each offense.
- (3) If the Ethics Board finds that no violation has occurred, the Ethics Board shall notify the complainant, the accused, and City Clerk in writing within five working days.

(k) Penalties.

- (1) If the Ethics Board files a report with the City Council finding that an official or employee has violated the Ethics Code, such report shall be referred to the Judiciary and Administration Committee for a report. The Judiciary and Administration Committee may recommend to the City Council a penalty for the violation and/or recommendation that a hearing be held on the issue of the penalty. If a hearing is recommended by the Judiciary and Administration Committee, then the Mayor shall schedule a hearing before the City Council and cause notice to be mailed to the interested parties, including the person accused of the violation at least ten days prior to the date set for the hearing. At the hearing, the evidence in support of the penalty recommendations by the Ethics Board and/or Judiciary and Administration Committee shall be presented by the City Attorney or by a member of the City Attorney's staff. The accused, who may appear in person or who may be represented by an attorney, shall be entitled to present the City Council such evidence as may be relevant, competent and material in regard to the penalty for the violation.
- (2) Upon completion of the hearing or other proceeding by the City Council, judgment shall be entered by the City Council determining the penalty for violation of this division found by the Ethics Board and may include a recommendation of discipline of the person to the person's appointing authority up to and including discharge from employment or removal from office, in accordance with Wis. Stat. Ch. 17.

(3) Any person violating this division may be subject to a Class A forfeiture for each offense.

(Code 1980, § 2.48(G)(3)—(G)(12))

Cross reference— Class A forfeitures, § 1-7.

Sec. 2-131. - Standards of conduct.

(a) There are certain provisions of the Wisconsin Statutes which should, while not set forth herein, be considered an integral part of any Code of Ethics.

(b) Accordingly, the provisions of the following sections of the Wisconsin Statutes are made a part of this division and shall apply to public officers and public employees whenever applicable, to-wit:

Wis. Stat. § 946.10 - Bribery of Public Officers and Employees

Wis. Stat. § 946.11 - Special Privileges from Public Utilities

Wis. Stat. § 946.12 - Misconduct in Public Office

Wis. Stat. § 946.13 - Private Interest in Public Contract Prohibited

(Code 1980, § 2.48(C))

Sec. 2-132. - Disclosures.

In addition to the foregoing statutory provisions, the following disclosure and related requirements are hereby established:

- (1) *Disclosure of interest in legislation.* To the extent that a member of the Common Council and any public officer or employee of the City of La Crosse knows thereof, such member, officer or employee, whether paid or unpaid, who participates in the discussion or gives official opinion to the Council on any legislation before the Council, shall publicly disclose the nature and extent of any direct or indirect financial or other private interest such person has in such legislation.
- (2) *Disclosure of interest in other matters.* To the extent that a member of a board, commission or agency, and any other public officer or public employee of the City of La Crosse knows thereof, such member, officer or employee, whether paid or unpaid, who participates in discussion or gives official opinion to any such board, commission or agency on any matter before it, shall publicly disclose the nature and extent of any direct or indirect financial or other private interest such person has in such matters.
- (3) *Confidential information.* No public officer or employee may intentionally use or disclose information gained in the course of or by reason of such public officer or employee's official position or activities in any way that could result in receipt of anything of value for such

person, or such person's immediate family as defined by Wis. Stat. § 19.42, or for any other person or organization, if the information has not been communicated to the public or is not public information.

- (4) *Special privileges.* No public officer or employee may use or attempt to use any public position to influence or gain unlawful benefits, advantages or privileges for the public officer or employee or others.
- (5) *Conduct after termination of employment.* No public officer or employee, after the termination of service or employment with the City, shall appear before any Board or Agency of the City of La Crosse in relation to any case, proceeding or application in which the public officer or employee personally participated during the period of service or employment, or which was under the public officer or employee's active consideration.

(Code 1980, § 2.48(D))

Sec. 2-133. - Gifts and gratuities.

- (a) No public officer or employee shall receive or offer to receive, either directly or indirectly, any gift, gratuity, or anything of value which the public officer or employee is not authorized to receive from any person, if such person:
 - (1) Has or is seeking to obtain contractual or other business or financial relationships with such public employee's employer or the governmental body of the public official;
 - (2) Conducts operations or activities which are regulated by such public employee's employer or the governmental body of a public official; or
 - (3) Has interests which may be substantially affected by such public employee's employer or the governmental body of the public official.

The receipt of any gift, gratuity, or anything of value as denoted in this subsection (a) is contrary to the public policy of the City of La Crosse.

- (b) The following is the policy to be followed in determining whether or not public officer or employees of the City of La Crosse may attend as a guest:
 - (1) It will be the choice of the official or employee to accept or not accept guest status when such individual is the primary speaker or on the program agenda as a participant in the program.
 - (2) It will be the choice of the official or employee to accept or not accept guest status when such individual is honored for distinguished service.
 - (3) It will be the choice of the official or employee to accept or not accept guest status when such individual attends functions in other capacities than that as an elected official or as an employee of the City.
 - (4)

It will be the choice of the official or employee to accept or not accept a meal at meetings which are instructional and job-related and, if the employee or official chooses to accept a meal, the cost of such should be submitted to the City of La Crosse for payment.

(Code 1980, § 2.48(E))

Secs. 2-134—2-164. - Reserved.



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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

FOR

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK
GRANT – PUBLIC SERVICES**

PROPOSALS DUE: January 18, 2026

The City of La Crosse announces the availability of funds for the program year 2026 (April 1, 2026-March 31, 2027) for the Community Development Block Grant Public Service (CDBG-PS) activities. This program is administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The City of La Crosse is an entitlement community which receives funds from HUD to carry out eligible activities listed in the Code of Federal Regulations at 24 CFR 570.201. The priority needs for the city are as following:

- Homeless prevention, crisis response and outflow to housing.
- Alleviate poverty and increase self-reliance (focus on mental health, substance abuse, health care, domestic violence, and youth services).

Eligible Activities

All Public Service Activities must meet one of the national objectives (24 CFR (570.208)(a)), listed below:

Low-Moderate Income Area (LMA) - (570.208(a)(1)): An activity that benefits the area, is available to all the residents in a particular area, where at least 51% of the residents are low- and moderate-income persons (as identified by census data). People with low and moderate incomes are defined as those individuals or families whose annual income does not exceed 80% of the area median income as determined by HUD. The income limits can be found on the city's website at: <https://www.cityoflacrosse.org/your-government/departments/community-development-and-housing/replacement-housing>

Low-Moderate Income Clientele (LMC) - (570.208(a)(2)): An activity which benefits a limited clientele or clientele who are generally presumed to be low- and moderate-income persons (abused children, a battered spouse, elderly persons, severely disabled adults as defined by the Bureau of Census, persons experiencing homelessness, illiterate adults, persons living with AIDS and migrant farm works).

Low-Moderate Income Jobs (LMJ) - 570.208(a)(4): An activity designed to create, retain permanent jobs where at least 51 percent of the jobs are made available to low- and moderate-income persons.

Funding Availability

The total estimated funding available to community non-profit agencies for CDBG-PS for this RFP process is roughly \$180,000 per year. One submission is an application for a one year contract commitment (with the possibility of a second year contract).

Activities are required to provide new or quantifiably increased public services. The City of La Crosse is interested in funding 3-5 subrecipients through this RFP to make innovative impacts. Applications will be required to be submitted through Neighborly software, which can be accessed through the City of La Crosse website.

One public service grant application is allowed per organization.

Due to funding constraints and emerging needs of the community, the City of La Crosse reserves the right to modify proposed budgets and/or scopes of work to better target the City's identified priorities. Advance notification and consultation concerning such modifications will be provided to the applicant if the application is approved.

Application Scoring Criteria

Agency Information – Applicant demonstrates experience with effectively utilizing federal funds, including HUD grants. Staffing is appropriate to meet qualifications to take on the activity and applicant has experience working with the proposed population.

Activity Summary – The Activity describes the number of clients proposed to serve and will meet one of the CDBG outcomes and the service area is identified.

Activity Description – Proposed activity identifies clear goals, target population and type of services offered in a realistic timeline. Activity is leading individuals to greater self-sufficiency. Applicant has identified opportunities to engage and integrate with the Pathways Home 5 Year Plan to End Homelessness.

Budget – Applicant is leveraging community funds; costs and budget are reasonable, and documentation supports these resources are needed for implementation.

General – Activity addresses current need, and applicant has experience administering grants. Activity is realistic in terms of budget, time frame and goal attainment. Activity will provide strong value for the City's investment.

All RFP applicants will be able to participate in the Economic & Community Development Committee meeting on January 28, 2026 at 3 p.m. Each applicant will be given 3-5 minutes to present their proposal and answer questions from the committee. The Community Development Committee members will then score each application and make all final award decisions by February 25, 2026.

SCHEDULE

Action	Date & Time
RFP Issued	December 4, 2025
Proposal Submissions due in Neighborly	January 18, 2026, by 11:59 PM
ECDC Presentations and Possible Decisions	January 28, 2026, at 3:00 PM
ECDC Decisions	February 25, 2026, at 3:00 PM

Accepted proposals will receive funding following the HUD Annual Allocation to the City of La Crosse. All responses shall be submitted through Neighborly here <https://portal.neighborlysoftware.com/lacrossewi/Participant>. By responding to this RFP, applicants agree to and accept the standard terms and conditions in Attachment A.

Questions regarding the RFP, contact:

Linzi Washtock

608-789-8311

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Attachment A. City of La Crosse Standard Contract Terms and Conditions

These are subject to modification at any time by the City of La Crosse and the final agreement with the City will include other provisions not in this agreement. Successful applicant will agree to abide by the City's Standard Contract Terms and Conditions.

1. DEFINITIONS. In this section "Contracting Party" shall mean any party that is entering into this Agreement with the City of La Crosse. "La Crosse" shall mean the City of La Crosse. These definitions shall apply only to this document titled "Standard Terms and Conditions (Service Contracts)" and shall not replace, modify or supersede any definitions used in other sections of this Agreement.

2. STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE. Contracting Party agrees that the performance of the services, pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, shall be in a manner at least equal to the degree of care and skill ordinarily exercised by members of the same professions currently practicing under similar circumstances providing like services

3. FULLY QUALIFIED. Contracting Party represents that all personnel engaged in the performance of the services set forth in this Agreement shall be fully qualified and, if applicable, shall be authorized or permitted under all applicable state and local laws and any other applicable laws or regulations to perform the services.

4. SCOPE OF SERVICES. Contracting Party is required to perform, do and carryout in a timely and professional manner the services set forth in this Agreement. The Contracting Party is required to furnish all services and labor necessary as indicated in this Agreement. The scope of services to be performed shall include, those services set forth in this Agreement. La Crosse may from time to time request the Contracting Party to perform additional services which are not set forth in this Agreement. In the event that such a request is made, the performance of such services shall be subject to the terms, conditions and contingencies set forth in this Agreement.

5. CHANGE OF SCOPE. The scope of service set forth in this Agreement is based on facts known at the time of the execution of this Agreement. The scope of service may not be fully definable during initial phases, and as the project progresses, facts discovered may indicate that the scope must be redefined. If mutually agreed to in advance in writing, Contracting Party shall make changes, furnish necessary materials, and perform the work that La Crosse may require, without nullifying this Agreement, at a reasonable addition to, or reduction from, the total cost of the project. Under no circumstances shall Contracting Party make any changes, either as additions or deductions, without the written consent of La Crosse, and La Crosse shall not pay any extra charges made by Contracting Party that have not been agreed upon in advance and documented in writing.

6. COMPENSATION. Contracting Party will be compensated by La Crosse for the services provided under this Agreement and subject to the terms, conditions and contingences set forth herein. Payments to Contracting Party for services rendered under this Agreement will be based on itemized invoices submitted on a monthly basis by the Contracting Party to La Crosse. These invoices, unless lump sum, must be itemized to identify labor costs and the Contracting Party's direct expenses, including subcontractor and supplier costs. In addition, such invoices shall show the hours worked by the Contracting Party's staff and the amount of work completed as a percentage of the work to be performed. If payment is by lump sum, then only the percent complete will be invoiced. The final payment of the balance due the Contracting Party for the

completed service shall be made upon completion and acceptance of the services performed by the Contracting Party under this Agreement. Without prejudice to any other right or remedy it may have, La Crosse reserves the right to setoff at any time any amount owing to it by Contracting Party against any amount payable by La Crosse to Contracting Party.

7. TAXES, SOCIAL SECURITY, INSURANCE AND GOVERNMENT REPORTING. Personal income tax payments, social security contributions, insurance and all other governmental reporting and contributions required as a consequence of the Contracting Party receiving payment under this Agreement shall be the sole responsibility of the Contracting Party.

8. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE. If, through its own fault, intentional misconduct, or the fault or intentional misconduct of its subcontractors, agents or volunteers, the Contracting Party shall fail to fulfill in a timely and proper manner its obligations under this Agreement, or if the Contracting Party shall violate any of the covenants, agreements, or stipulations of this Agreement, both as determined by La Crosse in its sole discretion, La Crosse shall thereupon have the right to terminate this Agreement by giving written notice to the Contracting Party of such termination and specifying the effective date. In such event, all finished or unfinished documents, data, studies, surveys, drawings, maps, models, photographs, reports or other deliverables performed by the Contracting Party under this Agreement for which compensation has been made shall, at the option of La Crosse, become the property of La Crosse. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Contracting Party shall not be relieved of liability to La Crosse for damages sustained by La Crosse by virtue of the Contracting Party's intentional misconduct or negligent performance of this Agreement, and La Crosse may withhold any payments to the Contracting Party for the purpose of setoff until such time as the exact amount of damages due to La Crosse from the Contracting Party is determined. Use of incomplete or unfinished work is at the sole risk of La Crosse.

0. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE. Either Party may terminate this Agreement for convenience at any time and for any reason by giving sixty (60) days written notice to the other Party of such termination. If this Agreement is terminated by La Crosse pursuant to this provision, Contracting Party will be paid an amount which bears the same ratio to the total compensation as the services actually performed and accepted by La Crosse bear to the total services of the Contracting Party covered by this Agreement, less payments for such services as were previously made. The value of the services rendered and delivered by Contracting Party will be determined by La Crosse.

1. SAFETY. Unless specifically included as a service to be provided under this Agreement, La Crosse specifically disclaims any authority or responsibility for general job site safety, or the safety of other persons or property. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, Contracting Party disclaims any authority or responsibility for general job site safety, or the safety of third-parties or their property.

2. DELAYS. If performance of Contracting Party's obligations under this Agreement is delayed through no fault of Contracting Party, Contracting Party shall be entitled to a reasonable extension of time as proposed by Contracting Party and as accepted or amended by La Crosse. If performance of La Crosse's obligations is delayed through no fault of La Crosse, La Crosse shall be entitled to an extension of time equal to the delay.

3. USE OF LA CROSSE PROPERTY. Any property belonging to La Crosse being provided for use by Contracting Party shall be used in a responsible manner and only for the purposes

provided in this Agreement. No changes, alterations or additions shall be made to the property unless otherwise authorized by this Agreement.

13. **INSURANCE.** Unless otherwise specified in this Agreement, Contracting Party shall, at its sole expense, maintain in effect at all times during the Agreement, insurance coverage with limits not less than those set forth below with insurers and under forms of policies set forth below.

a. **Worker's Compensation and Employers Liability Insurance.** Contracting Party shall cover or insure under the applicable labor laws relating to worker's compensation insurance, all of their employees in accordance with the laws of the State of Wisconsin. Contracting Party shall provide statutory coverage for work related injuries and employer's liability insurance with limits of at least for employer's liability of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) per each accident, one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) per each employee and five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) total policy limit.

b. **Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability Insurance.** Contracting Party shall provide and maintain the following commercial general liability and automobile liability insurance:

i. Coverage for commercial general liability and automobile liability insurance shall, at a minimum, be at least as broad as the following:

1. Insurance Services Office (ISO) Commercial General Liability Coverage (Occurrence Form CG 0001).

2. Insurance Services Office (ISO) Business Auto Coverage (Form CA 0001), covering Symbol 1 (any vehicle).

ii. Contracting Party shall maintain limits no less than the following:

1. **General Liability.** Two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) per occurrence (\$2,000,000.00 general aggregate if applicable) for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage.

2. **Automobile Liability.** Two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) for bodily injury and property damage per occurrence covering all vehicles to be used in relationship to the Agreement.

3. **Umbrella Liability.** Five million dollars (\$5,000,000.00) following form excess of the primary General Liability, Automobile Liability and Employers Liability Coverage. Coverage is to duplicate the requirements as set forth herein.

c. **Professional Liability Insurance.** When Contracting Party renders professional services to La Crosse under the Agreement, Contracting Party shall provide and maintain two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) of professional liability insurance. If such policy is a "claims made" policy, all renewals thereof during the life of the Agreement shall include "prior acts coverage" covering at all times all claims made with respect to Contracting Party's work performed under the Agreement. This Professional Liability coverage must be kept in force for a period of six (6) years after the services have been accepted by the La Crosse.

d. **Required Provisions.** The general liability, umbrella liability and automobile liability policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

- i. La Crosse, its elected and appointed officials, officers, employees or authorized representatives or volunteers are to be given additional insured status (via ISO endorsement CG 2010, CG 2033, or insurer's equivalent for general liability coverage) as respects: liability arising out of activities performed by or on behalf of Contracting Party; products and completed operations of Contracting Party; premises occupied or used by Contracting Party; and vehicles owned, leased, hired or borrowed by Contracting Party. The coverage shall contain no special limitations on the scope of protection afforded to La Crosse, its elected and appointed officials, officers, employees or authorized representatives or volunteers. Except for the workers' compensation policy, each insurance policy shall contain a waiver of subrogation endorsement in favor of La Crosse.
- ii. For any claims related to this Agreement, Contracting Party's insurance shall be primary insurance with respect to La Crosse, its elected and appointed officials, officers, employees or authorized representatives or volunteers. Any insurance, self-insurance, or other coverage maintained by La Crosse, its elected and appointed officers, officials, employees or authorized representatives or volunteers shall not contribute to the primary insurance.
- iii. Any failure to comply with reporting or other provisions of the policies including breaches of warranties shall not affect coverage provided to La Crosse, its elected and appointed officers, employees or authorized representatives or volunteers.
- iv. Contracting Party's insurance shall apply separately to each insured against whom claim is made or suit is brought, except with respect to the limits of the insurer's liability.
- v. Coverage shall not be canceled by the insurance carrier or the Contracting Party, except after sixty (60) days (ten (10) days for non-payment of premium) prior written notice by U.S. mail has been given to La Crosse.
- vi. Such liability insurance shall indemnify La Crosse, its elected and appointed officials, officers, employees or authorized representatives or volunteers against loss from liability imposed by law upon, or assumed under contract by, Contracting Party for damages on account of such bodily injury, (including death), property damage personal injury, completed operations, and products liability.
- vii. The general liability policy shall cover bodily injury and property damage liability, owned and non-owned equipment, blanket contractual liability, completed operations. The automobile liability policy shall cover all owned, non-owned, and hired vehicles.
- viii. All of the insurance shall be provided on policy forms and through companies satisfactory to La Crosse, and shall have a minimum AM Best's rating of A- VIII.
- e. Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions. Any deductible or self-insured retention must be declared to and approved by La Crosse.
- f. Evidences of Insurance. Prior to execution of the Agreement, Contracting Party shall file with La Crosse a certificate of insurance (Accord Form 25-S or equivalent) signed by the insurer's representative evidencing the coverage required by this Agreement. Such evidence shall include an additional insured endorsement signed by the insurer's representative. Such evidence shall also include confirmation that coverage includes or has been modified to include all required provisions as detailed herein.

g. Sub-Contractor. In the event that Contracting Party employ other contractors (sub-contractors) as part of this Agreement, it shall be the Contracting Party's responsibility to require and confirm that each sub-contractor meets the minimum insurance requirements specified above.

h. Amendments. La Crosse may amend its requirements for insurance upon sixty (60) days written notice. Contracting Party shall procure updated insurance to comply with the new requirements of La Crosse if commercially available and at La Crosse's expense. Contracting Party may appeal any requirement to amend the insurance coverage to La Crosse's City Council who may, in its sole discretion, mutually agree to waive such changes.

14. INDEMNIFICATION. To the fullest extent allowable by law, Contracting Party hereby indemnifies and shall defend and hold harmless, at Contracting Party's expense, La Crosse, its elected and appointed officials, committee members, officers, employees, authorized representatives and volunteers ("La Crosse Indemnitees") from and against third party tort suits, actions, legal or administrative proceedings, claims, costs and expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable attorney and professional fees) to the extent caused by the negligent acts, errors or omissions of Contracting Party, its subcontractors or of anyone acting under its direction or control or on its behalf in the performance of this Agreement. Contracting Party's defense obligation shall not apply to professional liability claims. The aforesaid indemnity and hold harmless agreement shall not be applicable to any liability to the extent caused by La Crosse, its elected and appointed officials, officers, employees or authorized representatives, consultants, contractors or volunteers in the performance of this Agreement. Contracting Party's obligation to indemnify, defend and hold harmless shall not be restricted to insurance proceeds, if any, received by La Crosse, its elected and appointed officials, officers, employees, authorized representatives or volunteers. Nothing in this Agreement is intended or shall be construed to be a waiver or estoppel of La Crosse or its insurer (or otherwise affect or alter their ability) to rely upon the limitations, defenses and immunities contained within Wis. Stat. §§ 345.05 and 893.80, or other applicable law. To the extent that indemnification is available and enforceable against La Crosse, (a) La Crosse or its insurer shall not be liable in indemnity, contribution, or otherwise for an amount greater than the limits of liability of municipal claims established by applicable Wisconsin or federal law; and (b) La Crosse's obligations under this Agreement are further conditioned upon the following: (i) the indemnified party shall promptly notify La Crosse in writing of any such claims, demands, liabilities, damages, costs and expenses within ten (10) days of discovery; (ii) La Crosse shall have sole control of, and the indemnified party shall reasonably cooperate in all respects, in the defense of the claims, demands, liabilities, damages, costs and expenses and all related settlement negotiations; and (iii) the indemnified party shall not make any admission or disclosure or otherwise take any action prejudicial to La Crosse except as required by law. Neither party shall be liable for indirect, special, exemplary, consequential or incidental damages, including, without limitation, any damages for lost profits, revenue or business interruption. The parties represent that, as of the effective date, neither party has any notice or knowledge of any claims, demands, liabilities, damages, costs and expenses asserted or threatened by any third party with respect to the matters contemplated in this Agreement. This indemnity provision shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

15. NO PERSONAL LIABILITY. Under no circumstances shall any trustee, officer, official, commissioner, director, member, partner or employee of either party have any personal liability arising out of this Agreement, unless an employee of the Contracting Party shall commit a criminal, fraudulent, malicious, or dishonest act which is excluded from Contracting Party's insurance coverage.

16. Intentionally omitted.

17. **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS.** The parties, their employees, agents, volunteers, and representative shall be deemed independent contractors of each other and shall in no way be deemed as a result of this Agreement to be employees of the other. The parties, their employees, agents, volunteers, and representatives are not entitled to any of the benefits that the other provides for its employees. The parties shall not be considered joint agents, joint venturers, or partners.

18. **GOVERNING LAW.** This Agreement and all questions and issues arising in connection herewith shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Wisconsin. Venue for any action arising out of or in any way related to this Agreement shall be exclusively in La Crosse County, Wisconsin. Each party waives its right to challenge venue.

19. **JURY TRIAL WAIVER.** The parties hereby waive their respective rights to a jury trial on any claim or cause of action based upon or arising from or otherwise related to this Agreement. This waiver of right to trial by jury is given knowingly and voluntarily by the parties and is intended to encompass individually each instance and each issue as to which the right to a trial by jury would otherwise accrue. Each party is hereby authorized to file a copy of this section in any proceeding as conclusive evidence of this waiver by the other party.

20. **NOTIFICATION.** Parties shall:

(1) As soon as possible and in any event within a reasonable period of time after the occurrence of any event of default by either party, notify the other Party in writing of such default and set forth the details thereof and the action which is being taken or proposed to be taken by defaulting party to cure or mitigate the default.

(2) Promptly notify the other Party of the commencement of any litigation or administrative proceeding that would cause any representation contained in this Agreement to be untrue.

(3) If related to the performance of services and work under this Agreement, notify the other Party, and provide copies, immediately, upon receipt, of any notice, pleading, citation, indictment, complaint, order or decree from any federal, state or local government agency or regulatory body, asserting or alleging a circumstance or condition that requires or may require a financial contribution by a Party or any guarantor or an investigation, clean-up, removal, remedial action or other response by or on the part of a Party or any guarantor under any environmental laws, rules, regulations, ordinances or which seeks damages or civil, criminal or punitive penalties from or against a Party or any guarantor for an alleged violation of any environmental laws, rules, regulations or ordinances.

21. **SEVERABILITY.** The provisions of this Agreement are severable. If any provision or part of this Agreement or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional for any reason, the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision or part thereof to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

22. **ASSIGNMENT, SUBLET, AND TRANSFER.** A Party shall not assign, sublet, or transfer its interests or obligations under the provisions of this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other Party. This Agreement shall be binding on the heirs, successors, and permitted assigns of each party hereto. A Party shall provide not less than forty-five (45) days advance written notice of request to assign, sublet or transfer any services provided under this Agreement. The decision to allow an assignment by Contracting Party rests solely with La Crosse, in its discretion.

23. NO WAIVER. The failure of any party to insist, in any one or more instance, upon performance of any of the terms, covenants, or conditions of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver, or relinquishment of the future performance of any such term, covenant, or condition by any other party hereto but the obligation of such other party with respect to such future performance shall continue in full force and effect.

24. SUBCONTRACTING. None of the services to be performed under this Agreement shall be subcontracted without the prior written approval of La Crosse. If any of the services are subcontracted, the performance of such services shall be specified by written contract and shall be subject to each provision of this Agreement. Contracting Party shall be as fully responsible to La Crosse for the acts and omissions of its subcontractors and of person either directly or indirectly employed by them, as it is for acts and omissions of persons directly employed by it.

25. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST. Contracting Party covenants that it presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of its services hereunder. Contracting Party further covenants that in the performance of this Agreement no person having any conflicting interest shall be employed. Any interest on the part of Contracting Party or its employee must be disclosed to La Crosse

26. NON-DISCRIMINATION. Pursuant to law, it is unlawful and Contracting Party agrees not to willfully refuse to employ, to discharge, or to discriminate against any person otherwise qualified because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, national origin or ancestry, lawful source of income, marital status, creed, or familial status; not to discriminate for the same reason in regard to tenure, terms, or conditions of employment, not to deny promotion or increase in compensation solely for these reasons; not to adopt or enforce any employment policy which discriminates between employees on account of race, color, religion, sex, creed, age, disability, national origin or ancestry, lawful source of income, marital status or familial status; not to seek such information as to any employee as a condition of employment; not to penalize any employee or discriminate in the selection of personnel for training, solely on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, national origin or ancestry, lawful source of income, marital status, creed or familial status. Contracting Party shall include or cause to be included in each subcontract covering any of the services to be performed under this Agreement a provision similar to the above paragraph, together with a clause requiring such insertion in further subcontracts that may in turn be made.

27. POLITICAL ACTIVITIES. Contracting Party employees shall not engage in any political activities within the City of La Crosse while in performance of any and all services and work under this Agreement. This does not apply to periods of time in which employee is not at work, or is billing other than La Crosse for his/ her time.

28. GOVERNMENTAL APPROVALS. Contracting Party acknowledges that various of the specific undertakings of La Crosse described in this Agreement may require approvals from the City of La Crosse Council, City of La Crosse bodies, and/or other public bodies, some of which may require public hearings and other legal proceedings as conditions precedent thereto. Contracting Party further acknowledges that this Agreement is subject to appropriation by the La Crosse Common Council. La Crosse's obligation to perform under this Agreement is conditioned upon obtaining all such approvals in the manner required by law. La Crosse cannot assure that all such approvals will be obtained, however, it agrees to use good faith efforts to obtain such approvals on a timely basis.

29. ENTIRE AND SUPERSEDING AGREEMENT. This writing, all Exhibits hereto, and the other documents and agreements referenced herein, constitute the entire Agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, and all prior agreements, correspondences, discussions and understandings of the parties (whether written or oral) are merged herein and made a part hereof. To the extent that any terms and conditions contained in this Agreement, all Exhibits hereto, and the other documents and agreement referenced herein conflict with these Standard Terms and Conditions, the Standard Terms and Conditions shall take precedence.

30. AMENDMENT. This Agreement shall be amended only by formal written supplementary amendment. No oral amendment of this Agreement shall be given any effect. All amendments to this Agreement shall be in writing executed by both parties.

31. IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE AND TIME OF THE ESSENCE. Any and all phases and schedules which are the subject of approvals, or as set forth herein, shall be governed by the principle that modification or deviation from such schedules shall occur only upon approval of La Crosse or reasons of Force Majeure. Any phase or schedule that is determined to be "time of the essence" shall be specifically identified as such within the scope of services. The Mayor, or in the Mayor's absence, the Council President, shall have the ability to postpone any deadline listed herein, up to a maximum of ninety (90) days. If such delays cause additional cost, Contracting Party shall be reimbursed.

32. TIME COMPUTATION. Any period of time described in this Agreement by reference to a number of days includes Saturdays, Sundays, and any state or national holidays. Any period of time described in this Agreement by reference to a number of business days does not include Saturdays, Sundays or any state or national holidays. If the date or last date to perform any act or to give any notices is a Saturday, Sunday or state or national holiday, that act or notice may be timely performed or given on the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or state or national holiday.

33. NOTICES. Any notice, demand, certificate or other communication under this Agreement shall be given in writing and deemed effective: a) when personally delivered; b) three (3) days after deposit within the United States Postal Service, postage prepaid, certified, return receipt requested; or c) one (1) business day after deposit with a nationally recognized overnight courier service, addressed by name and to the party or person intended as follows: To the City: Attn. City Clerk Copy to: Attn. City Attorney City of La Crosse City of La Crosse 400 La Crosse Street 400 La Crosse Street La Crosse, WI 54601 La Crosse, WI 54601 Contracting Party shall identify in writing and provide to La Crosse the contact person and address for notices under this Agreement.

34. Intentionally omitted.

35. ACCESS TO RECORDS. Contracting Party, at its sole expense, shall maintain books, records, documents and other evidence pertinent to this Agreement in accordance with accepted applicable professional practices. La Crosse, or any of its duly authorized representatives, shall have access, at no cost to La Crosse, to such books, records, documents, papers or any records, including electronic, of Contracting Party which are pertinent to the hourly rates of pay and reimbursable costs under this Agreement, for the purpose of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions. Once deliverables are provided to La Crosse, additional copies will be provided for a fee.

36. PUBLIC RECORDS LAW. Contracting Party understands and acknowledges that La Crosse is subject to the Public Records Law of the State of Wisconsin. As such, Contracting Party agrees to retain all records as defined by Wisconsin Statute § 19.32(2) applicable to this Agreement for a period of not less than seven (7) years after the termination or expiration of this Agreement. Contracting Party agrees to assist La Crosse in complying with any public records request that La Crosse receives pertaining to this Agreement. If the requested record is not within that which is required to be produced by statute or other authority, then Contracting Party may object, and La Crosse will reject the request. Contracting Party shall seek to intervene in any subsequent public records lawsuit, writ of mandamus, or other action against La Crosse seeking to compel disclosure in order to dispute disclosure of the requested record. Contracting Party shall also cooperate and provide assistance to La Crosse, at no cost, in the defense of such lawsuit, writ or other action. If the request is upheld by a court of law, then Contracting Party will produce the records or indemnify and hold harmless La Crosse Indemnitees from any liability, including without limitation, attorney fees related to or in any way arising from Contracting Party's actions or omissions which contribute to La Crosse's inability to comply with the Public Records Law. In the event that Contracting Party decides not to retain its records for a period of seven (7) years, then it shall provide written notice to La Crosse whereupon La Crosse shall take custody of said records assuming such records are not already maintained by La Crosse. This provision shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

37. CONSTRUCTION. This Agreement shall be construed without regard to any presumption or rule requiring construction against the party causing such instrument to be drafted. This agreement shall be deemed to have been drafted by the parties of equal bargaining strength. The captions appearing at the first of each numbered section of this Agreement are inserted and included solely for convenience but shall never be considered or given any effect in construing this Agreement with the duties, obligations, or liabilities of the respective hereto or in ascertaining intent, if any questions of intent should arise. All terms and words used in this Agreement, whether singular or plural and regardless of the gender thereof, shall be deemed to include any other number and any other gender as the context may require.

38. NO THIRD-PARTY BENEFICIARY. Nothing contained in this Agreement, nor the performance of the parties hereunder, is intended to benefit, nor shall inure to the benefit of, any third party.

39. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW. The parties shall comply in all material respects with applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations and ordinances.

40. FORCE MAJEURE. Neither Party shall be responsible for any resulting losses and it shall not be a default hereunder if the fulfillment of any of the terms of this Agreement is delayed or prevented by revolutions or other civil disorders, wars, acts of enemies, strikes, fires, floods, acts of God, adverse weather conditions, legally required environmental remedial actions, industrywide shortage of materials, or by any other cause not within the control of the party whose performance was interfered with, and which exercise of reasonable diligence, such party is unable to prevent, whether of the class of causes hereinabove enumerated or not, and the time for performance shall be extended by the period of delay occasioned by any such cause.

41. GOOD STANDING. Contracting Party affirms that it is a company duly formed and validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Wisconsin and has the power and all necessary licenses, permits and franchises to own its assets and properties and to carry on its business. Contracting Party is duly licensed or qualified to do business and is in good standing in

the State of Wisconsin and in all other jurisdictions in which failure to do so would have a material adverse effect on its business or financial condition.

42. **AUTHORITY.** The persons signing this Agreement warrant that they have the authority to sign as, or on behalf of, the party for whom they are signing.

43. **EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT.** Contracting Party shall sign and execute this Agreement on or before sixty (60) days of its approval by the La Crosse Common Council and Contracting Party's failure to do so will render the approval of the Agreement by the La Crosse Common Council null and void unless otherwise authorized.

44. **COUNTERPARTS.** This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, all of which shall be considered but one and the same agreements and shall become effective when one or more counterparts have been signed by each of the parties and delivered to the other party.

45. **SURVIVAL.** All express representations, indemnifications and limitations of liability included in this Agreement will survive its completion or termination.

46. **COMPLIANCE WITH LAW.** Contracting Party agrees to abide by applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations and ordinances, and all provisions of this Agreement.

47. **RELIANCE.** Contracting Party has the right to reasonably rely on information provided by or through La Crosse.

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Memorandum

To: Economic & Community Development Commission
From: Jonah Denson
Date: January 28, 2026
Re: Action on offers to purchase 1223 9th St S, La Crosse WI 54601

List Price: \$292,000; The City will provide a deferred 2nd mortgage of up to \$106,600 which will accrue interest of 3% per annum and will cease to accrue interest at half of the principal value. The City will also provide a forgivable 3rd mortgage of \$25,000 forgiven each year over a 15-year period.

Staff received many inquiries about this home and showed the property to several perspective buyers. Three offers to purchase were received, details listed in the table below.
(All buyers are approved for a 30-year fixed rate mortgages.)

Order Received	1st Mortgage	Down Payment	Monthly Payment	Front End Ratio	Back End Ratio	2nd Mortgage	3rd Mortgage	Number Of Times Offering
1	\$ 160,600.00	\$ 53,600.00	\$ 1,158.22	21	29	\$ 106,400.00	\$ 25,000.00	6
2	\$ 160,600.00	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 1,229.40	30	41	\$ 106,400.00	\$ 25,000.00	2
3	\$ 160,600.00	\$ 28,000.00	\$ 1,473.34	21	29	\$ 106,400.00	\$ 25,000.00	1

Before



After





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Requestor of Legislation

Jonah Denson

Location, If Applicable

1223 9th St S, La Crosse WI 54601

Summary/Purpose

The Replacement Housing Program is ready to sell the home at 1223 9th St S. La Crosse, WI 54601
Asking the ECDC to select which offer they would like to approve for purchase

Background

The property at 1223 9th St S was purchased by the Replacement Housing program in August of 2023. The improvements on the lot were demolished to make way for a newly developed single-family home. Students and instructors from Western Technical College built the home that stands on the parcel today. The parcel was assessed at \$146,600 when the RHP purchased the lot. City Assessor estimates the property will be assessed between \$300,000-\$320,000 once the property is back on the tax roll.

Fiscal Impact

Assessed value of the parcel will increase an estimated \$153,400-\$173,400 once back on the tax roll in 2027

Staff Recommendation

Staff feels all three offers are very deserving of this opportunity and would be a great fit for this program. Offer 1 & Offer 3 have the lowest debt/income ratios. This will be the 6th house offer 1 has attempted to buy, the 2nd house offer 2 has offered on and the first offer from offer 3



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Housing Rehabilitation Program Guidelines

Chapter 7

G. SUBORDINATION REQUIREMENTS

The Housing Rehabilitation Program will consider subordinating the Housing Rehabilitation loan, but only with committee approval. Each request will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. The loan being secured must be used for property and home improvements or for refinancing an existing home mortgage, which precedes the Housing Rehabilitation Program Deferred Payment Loan.

The Housing Rehabilitation Program will not subordinate its loan if the Housing Rehabilitation Program Deferred Payment Loan is in first position, or if additional money is being requested for investment, speculation, personal spending, or when the Housing Rehabilitation Deferred Payment Loan may be jeopardized.

1. Lender is to provide the Housing Rehabilitation Program with a title search and an appraisal of the property (if completed).
2. Lender is to provide a letter of explanation for the request, including any payoffs, satisfactions, closing costs, interest rates, and/or any other pertinent information.

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