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Resolution authorizing the Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department to apply for and accept a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Urban Forestry Grant.

## PROPOSED AMENDED RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of La Crosse hereby requests financial assistance under s. 20.370, Wis. Stats., Chapter NR 47, Wis. Admin. Code, for the purpose of funding urban and community forestry projects or urban forestry catastrophic storm projects specified in s. 20.370 (5)(bw) and (I)(mv), Wis. Stats.,

WHEREAS, the City of La Crosse Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department shall submit a 2016 Urban Forestry Grant which is a 50/50 reimbursable matching grant program with a max reimbursement limit of \$25,000.

<u>WHEREAS the funds necessary to fund the 2016 Urban Forestry Grant Match were adopted in the 2016-2020 Capital Improvement Program Budget, line item #56.</u>

WHEREAS, 2016 Urban Forestry Grant funds will be used to purchase and plant Boulevard- trees lost to Emerald Ash Borer. Funds will be placed in the Park Tree Memorial Account - Org 5117604 – Object 435717 Project – to be assigned.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of La Crosse hereby authorizes the Board of Park Commissioners to accept the grant on behalf of the city.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Director of Parks, Recreation and Forestry and the Director of Finance are hereby authorized to take the necessary steps to effectuate this resolution.