Resolution creating and re-allocating existing, unspent funds for new Capital Improvement project in the 3300-3500 blocks of Levy Lane.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, a history of private developer actions resulted in all 18 properties (9 “twindo” structures) with footage fronting the south side of Levy Lane having utility connections not compliant with Public Service Commission or City of La Crosse requirements; and

WHEREAS, the originally proposed development (and mains) from approximately 2004, included duplexes, which would have been an allowable utility configuration; and

WHEREAS, a change by the developer resulted in splitting the original 9 platted properties, via new property lines through the structures, into 18 separate properties, with different owners and utility accounts; and

WHEREAS, each property and account must have independence for accounting, service, and shut-off for water, per the PSC; and

WHEREAS, each property and account must have independence for accounting, service, and discontinuance for sanitary, per the City of La Crosse; and

WHEREAS, sales or repairs have revealed this scenario and created challenges for corrections, updates, or repairs to be consistent across all properties, rather than an arbitrary or piecemeal approach, due to utility conflicts and roadway patching associated with individual service replacements; and

WHEREAS, the full replacement and repaving is in the best interest of the residents and users of the street, to minimize impacts and have more efficient and consistent replacements done at the same at an overall lower cost; and

WHEREAS, creation of a new project is prudent to timely and efficiently address multiple utility needs for property owners and rate payers; and

WHEREAS, creation of a project requires funding, as approved by the Common Council, with possible sources including, but not limited to, unused capital funds, utility operating funds, unbudgeted utility cash, revolving assessment funds, and assessments to property owners per existing Code; and

WHEREAS, the existing condition of the roadway may necessitate partial or full funding of roadway and surface infrastructure to be paid for by Utilities; and

WHEREAS, the project can be utilized with no new funding required, through the utilization of remaining funds from completed and/or under-budget Capital projects and purchases, and with no increase to borrowing or budgets needed; and

WHEREAS, it is the best interest of public health, safety, and welfare that such projects and funding be approved for expeditious implementation; 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 creates and funds a public works project in said block, including adjacent intersections, as necessary, for complete utility systems and replacement of roadway and existing surface infrastructure.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said project is approved via funding sources and amounts as provided herein:

Water ($90,000.00):

CIP 24U05 (Well 22) (Water)	$9,694.16
CIP 26911 (Island St) (Water)	$80,305.84

Sanitary ($490,000.00):

CIP 24169 (21st St N) (Sanitary)	$46,685.99
CIP 26436 (Ferry St) (Sanitary)	$80,000.00
CIP 26159 (Vine St) (Sanitary)	$75,000.00
CIP 26999 (Saint Andrew) (Sanitary)	$125,000.00
CIP 26997 (Liberty St) (Sanitary)	$130,000.00
CIP 26000 (Saint Cloud St) (Sanitary)	$33,314.01

Storm ($80,000):

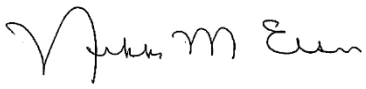
CIP 24873 (Highland St) (Storm)	$27,304.29
CIP 24425 (7th St S) (Storm)	$52,695.71

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said project shall follow routine statutory construction bid processes, public bidding laws, and City of La Crosse policies for any necessary special assessments to property owners for utility improvements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Public Works is hereby authorized to use portions of said funds for purchase of materials or equipment for said construction projects, if required in advance of, or as part of, said projects.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City departments and staff are hereby authorized to effectuate implementation of 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 June 11, 2026.



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