# CITY OF LA CROSSE, WISCONSIN CITY PLAN COMMISSION REPORT August 2, 2021

## **Ø** AGENDA ITEM − 21-0874 (Lewis Kuhlman)

Resolution approving partial vacation of State Street west of Front Street.

O ROUTING: F&P, public hearing 8.5.2021

#### **Ø BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The intent of this street vacation is to avoid federal telecommunication tower regulations for public right of way. The City would then be able to regulate future towers in Riverside Park without Federal preemption. The Parks Dept. would maintain State St. like they do with Veterans Memorial Dr.

To preserve the street network, the City's 2015 Transportation Vision recommends against right-of-way vacations. State Street west of Front Street is a cul-de-sac that connects to the Veterans Memorial Dr. loop. It would continue to serve this connection.

#### **Ø GENERAL LOCATION:**

District 6 and Downtown Neighborhood, in Riverside Park as depicted in Map 21-0874.

### **©** RECOMMENDATION OF OTHER BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

None as of this publication. The Board of Public Works will make a recommendation at their meeting on Monday, August  $2^{nd}$  at 10 am.

### **O CONSISTENCY WITH ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:**

The comprehensive plan does not necessarily address the issue of street vacation or telecommunication towers. A transportation objective to improve connections would likely not factor in. This street vacation may be indirectly related to some Park, Recreation, and Open Space objectives—accentuating natural features, enhancing the riverfront, and protecting park character.

### **O PLANNING RECOMMENDATION:**

**Approved** – There will likely be little consequence for the municipality if this vacation passes; the street would remain as part of the park. The vacation has the potential to give more local control over telecommunication towers in parks.





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