Resolution authorizing the application and committing to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation – Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Grant funding for the King Street Greenway and Ranger Drive Protected Bike Lanes.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of La Crosse Planning and Development will be submitting two projects for the 2026-2030 Transportation Alternatives Program Grant Cycle; and

WHEREAS, the above projects have been identified by the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee and Planning and Development Department as priority projects to seek funding for; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) requires a local resolution of support should the City be awarded the proposed project(s), executed by a governing body that has the authority to make financial commitments on behalf of the project sponsor; and

WHEREAS, WisDOT requires the City fund 100% of project costs upfront and WisDOT will reimburse up to 80% of the approved and eligible project costs once the project is complete and the City will be responsible for at least 20% of project costs; and

WHEREAS, the 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Plan approved by the Common Council via Resolution 25-0637 included funding matches for the King Street Greenway and the Ranger Drive Protected Bike Lanes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of La Crosse that it hereby commits to funding the proposed project(s) up-front through the Capital Budget understanding that upon completion, up to 80% of eligible costs will be reimbursed back to the City, if the City of La Crosse is awarded funding by WisDOT for the 2026-2030 TAP award cycle.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon confirmation of the grant award the project(s) will be set to begin in 2029 or 2030.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon formal confirmation of the grant award by the State, that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to sign State/Municipal Agreements between the City of La Crosse and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, within designated funding of the Capital Improvement Projects Budget, or as established by Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Engineering and Public Works, Director of Planning and Development, and Director of Finance are hereby authorized and directed to take all necessary steps to implement this resolution.