RESOLUTION # S4-2/21

TO: HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

RE: FORMATION OF COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CPAC) FOR LA CROSSE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

WHEREAS, Wisconsin State Statute s. 66.1001 requires that the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors (hereinafter "the Board") periodically enact a Comprehensive Plan as a guide for physical, social and economic development; and

WHEREAS, the Board acknowledges the requirements of Wisconsin's Comprehensive Planning Legislation including the adoption of the plan under Wis. Stats. s. 66.1001, and the benefits of comprehensive planning; and,

WHEREAS, La Crosse County’s current Comprehensive Plan, which includes a Farmland Preservation Plan, was adopted in 2008 and is in need of review and updating, including incorporating the current Sustainability Plan (adopted in 2009); and

WHEREAS, this Board has already adopted resolutions related to sustainability (resolution #21-8/20) and has resolved that the County will “seek to collaborate across local governments, area institutions and community organizations in pursuit of [...] goals, including prioritizing equity, affordability and access, particularly for low-income and marginalized communities, while encouraging the engagement of local businesses, residents and environmental advocacy groups, to exchange ideas and implement action steps to address the challenges of reducing energy use, addressing climate change and pursuing sustainable development” and these principles, as well as the others adopted in that same and other sustainability resolutions and actions by the Board, should inform, guide and influence the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, although the Planning, Resources & Development (PRD) Committee and the full Board will ultimately review, approve and enact the Comprehensive Plan, a steering committee representing various interests – including businesses, residents/landowners, local governments and community organizations – should be convened to oversee the process and to ensure public input and participation; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the full plan will be ready for approval by March of 2022 with regular updates and periodic review and approval of components of the plan between now and that date;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board Chair shall appoint a Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC) of up to 15 members (hereinafter "the Committee") to oversee the development of the Comprehensive Plan. The Committee shall have a minimum of 6 County Board Supervisors and 5 citizen members representing various interest groups as identified above; including commercial representatives and 1 rural representative.
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Committee shall provide regular progress reports and receive policy direction from the PRD Committee and full Board on the Comprehensive Plan and its initial task shall be to prepare a “Public Participation Plan” and “Core Principles Plan” to be reviewed and adopted by the Board.

FISCAL NOTE: Future costs for development of the Comprehensive Plan will be brought to the Board for consideration at future meetings.

Date: 02-01-21

Peggy Jerle
COMMITTEE CHAIR

RECORDING CLERK

Date: 02/10/21

Eva H. Miles
COMMITTEE CHAIR

RECORDING CLERK

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Requested By: County Planner
Date Requested: January 21, 2021
Drafted By: Corporation Counsel

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 18th Day of February, 2021.

STATE OF WISCONSIN
COUNTY OF LA CROSSE
I, Ginny Dankmeyer, County Clerk of La Crosse County do hereby certify that this document is a true and correct copy of the original resolution required by law to be in my custody and which the County Board of Supervisors of La Crosse County adopted at a meeting held on the 18th day of February 2021.

Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk