

## **RESOLUTION #**

## ITEM # 4-18 **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BOARD ACTION ACTION** Adopted: 9 Adopted: Against: 0 Against: ( Abstain: Abstain: Abs/Excd: 〇 Abs/Excd: Vote Req: Other Action: 1 Mgrant - Distr

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

RE: APPROVE INCREASE OF VACANT SENIOR ACCOUNTANT IN THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT FROM .25 TO 1.0 FULLTIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) IN 2022

WHEREAS, from 2014 through 2019, the Finance Department has decreased staff positions by 3.65 full time equivalent (FTE) due in part to increased efficiencies gained through the New World Financial system and has a recent vacancy this year in the .25 (FTE) Senior Accountant position authorized in the 2022 Budget; and,

WHEREAS, the responsibilities and workload of the Finance Department have increased in complexity and volume, including quarterly reporting on uses of the \$22,923,224 allocated to La Crosse County through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, which must be obligated by the end of 2024 and spent by the end of 2026 with significant on-going reporting requirements not anticipated during preparation of the 2022 budget; and,

WHEREAS, reimbursement for staff time committed to administration of ARPA funding is a permitted use of funds, including the costs of tracking and monitoring ongoing expenditures for response to the pandemic and administering the use of funds for the eight project areas outlined in Resolution #55-1/22; and.

WHEREAS, reporting requirements of employee payroll have increased the workload in standardizing the use of the UKG-Kronos time reporting system across County Departments and the County must comply with newly modified standards of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the La Crosse County Board hereby approves an increase in the vacant .25 Senior Accountant to 1.0 FTE to the Finance Department Budget in 2022 to address the increasing workload in the department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Human Resources department is authorized to take the necessary steps to fill the position of Senior Accountant in cooperation with the Finance Director as soon as practical.

FISCAL NOTE: Most of the expected 2022 cost of up to \$53,000 for half a year will be covered by \$37,000 in salary savings in the department budget and reimbursement by the American Rescue Plan Act funding based on actual time allocation of staff time devoted to ARPA reporting. Any remaining cost will be transferred from salary contingency at year end 2022.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR			RECORDING CLERK	
Co. Admin. Fin. Director Corp. Counsel Board Chair	Reviewed	Recommended	Not Recommended	Requested By: Lanae Nickelotti Date Requested: March 31, 2022 Drafted By: County Administrator
Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this				

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 19th day of April 2022.

Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk