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**BOARD ACTION** 

PLANNING
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ACTION

Adopted: 5
For: 5
Against: 6
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## TO: HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

## RE: IN SUPPORT OF TELECOMMUTING OPPORTUNITIES AND TELECOMMUTER FORWARD CERTIFICATION

**WHEREAS**, the Public Service Commission's Wisconsin Broadband Office encourages local municipalities to become certified as being "Telecommunicator Forward!"; and

**WHEREAS,** Telecommuter Forward! is a voluntary program for local units of government to signal that the political subdivision supports and commits to promote the availability of telecommuting options; and

WHEREAS, La Crosse County supports and commits to promote the availability of telecommuting options; and,

**WHEREAS**, La Crosse County hereby appoints Zoning, Planning & Land Information as the single point of contact for coordinating telecommuting opportunities within La Crosse County including the following responsibilities:

- **1.** Coordination and partnership with broadband providers, realtors, economic development professionals, employers, employees, and other telecommuting stakeholders.
- **2.** Collaboration with broadband providers and employers to identify, develop, and market telecommuter-capable broadband packages.
- **3.** Communication and partnership with broadband providers and economic development professionals to develop common goals.
- **4.** Promotion of telecommuter-friendly workspaces, such as business incubators with telecommuting spaces, if such a workspace has been established in the political subdivision at the time the political subdivision adopts the resolution.
- 5. Familiarity with broadband mapping tools and other state-level resources.
- 6. Maintaining regular communication with the state broadband office.
- 7. Making regular reports to the governing body of the political subdivision.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the La Crosse County board supports telecommuting opportunities for La Crosse County in its application for Telecommuter Forward! Community certification.

**FISCAL NOTE:** There is no cost to La Crosse County for certification. Any recommendations related to this initiative that have a financial impact will be considered in future board action.

PLANNING RESOURCES & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE CHAIR

Date: 11/28/2022

PLANNING RESOURCES & DEVELOPMENT RECORDING CLERK

Co. Admin. Fin. Director Corp. Counsel Board Chair

Recommended

Not Recommended

Requested By: Jane Klekamp Date Requested: November 9, 2022 Drafted By: Corporation Counsel

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 15 Day of 0e(ember), 202

STATE OF WISCONSIN COUNTY OF LA CROSSE

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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 op the 15<sup>th</sup> day of December 2022.

Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk