RESOLUTION # 18-012

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

RE: APPROVAL AND ALLOCATION OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUNDING FOR UPDATING THE COUNTY SOLAR STUDY AND ASSISTANCE WITH REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR SOLAR INSTALLATION

WHEREAS, in August of 2020, the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors passed Resolution #21-8/20 adopting sustainability goals of improved efficiency to reduce energy consumption, achieving carbon neutrality and transitioning to 100% renewable energy by 2050; and

WHEREAS, La Crosse County was allocated $22,923,224 through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, which must be obligated by the end of 2024 and spent by the end of 2026; and,

WHEREAS, in January of 2022, the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors reserved $1,500,000 from the American Rescue Plan Act for “Green Infrastructure - County Solar” (by Resolution #55-1/22); and,

WHEREAS, an updated feasibility study for the Administrative Center, Hillview Health Care Center, West Salem Highway Shop, Courthouse & Law Enforcement Center, Health & Human Services Building, Lakeview Health Care Center and Solid Waste Gas to Energy Building was completed for a cost of $14,320, and an additional $720 is needed to study the cost of installing solar at Goose Island Campground; and,

WHEREAS, an additional $18,320 is required to support the process of writing a request for proposal (RFP), assisting in reviewing and scoring all bids, updating financial reports, reviewing the contract of the selected installation provider and applying for grants.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors, approves the allocation of up to $34,000 of the American Rescue Plan Act dollars as reserved in Resolution #55-1/22 for the purpose of updating the feasibility study and to assist with the screening, selection, and installation of solar on the Administrative Center, Hillview Health Care Center, West Salem Highway Shop, Courthouse & Law Enforcement Center, Health & Human Services Building, Lakeview Health Care Center, Solid Waste Gas to Energy Building and Goose Island Campground; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, upon completion of the RFP process, that the award of subcontractor bids for the installation of solar will be acted upon by the Executive Committee, with approval by the full County Board;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Administrator, County Board Chair, Finance Director and County Clerk are authorized to take all appropriate actions to effectuate the purpose of this resolution subject to the approval as to form by County Corporation Counsel.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, if the funds are not obligated to projects by the end of 2023, the County Board may reallocate the remaining funds to another America Rescue Plan Act eligible use of funds.
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FISCAL NOTE: The cost of up to $34,000 will be spent from the $1,500,000 solar prioritized ARPA allocation. Costs will be tracked in division 295.770.3744 within the County financial system, account 60220.00 Consulting Services.

Date: 10/12/22

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Date: 10/12/22

RECORDING CLERK

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

Reviewed Only
Recommended

Not Recommended

Requested By: Jane Klekamp
Date Requested: October 3, 2022
Drafted By: Corporation Counsel

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 20 Day of October, 2022

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 20th day of October 2022.

Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk