



RESOLUTION # 7-7/24

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

*AS Amended*

ITEM # 7-14

**BOARD ACTION**

Adopted:   
For: 26  
Against: 0  
Abstain: 0  
Abs/Excd: 4  
Vote Req: -  
Other Action: -

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTION**

Adopted:   
For: 8  
Against: 0  
Abstain: 0  
Abs/Excd: 1

**RE: AMENDMENT TO 1990 AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF ONALASKA RELATED TO THE USE OF ROWE PARK**

**WHEREAS**, in 1990 the County of La Crosse sold the City of Onalaska the property, including all capital improvements and equipment, of the area previously known as "Onalaska Park" and now known as "Rowe Park"; and

**WHEREAS**, as part of the terms of that sale, the City of Onalaska agreed to maintain the property as a park/recreational area open to the general public; and

**WHEREAS**, the original agreement also allowed the School District of Onalaska to construct tennis courts, a softball field, and a discus field on a part of the property; and

**WHEREAS**, the terms of the original sale provided that if the City of Onalaska did not maintain the property as a park, the property would revert back to the ownership of the County of La Crosse, and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Onalaska has maintained the property as a park for the last 34 years; and

**WHEREAS**, now the School District of Onalaska has indicated a desire to expand their current stadium/track to the South, into the area of Rowe Park which is now primarily the school's softball field (see attached Exhibit A); and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Onalaska wishes to enter into a long-term agreement with the School District of Onalaska allowing for the expansion of the stadium into Rowe Park in order to increase recreational opportunities for both students and the general public;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors, as an amendment to the original agreement with the City of Onalaska, hereby provides that the City of Onalaska may enter into an agreement with the School District of Onalaska for purposes of expanding the District's stadium footprint into Rowe Park, provided that such land will be used for recreational purposes, including but not limited to a track, field, concessions, restrooms, spectator viewing areas, shot put pit, long-jump pit, high jump area, pole vault area and such other similar uses, but shall not be used for parking.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that, after review by Corporation Counsel, the County Board and the County Clerk are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the amendment to the 1990 agreement consistent with the terms above.

**FISCAL NOTE:** No fiscal impact.

Date: 7/10/24  
Christina Z. Jeffers  
COMMITTEE CHAIR

Date: 7-10-24  
STK  
RECORDING CLERK

	Reviewed Only	Recommended	Not Recommended
Co. Admin.	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	_____
Fin. Director	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	_____
Corp. Counsel	<u>[Signature]</u>	_____	_____
Board Chair	_____	_____	_____

Requested By: County Administrator  
Date Requested: June 24, 2024  
Drafted By: Corporation Counsel

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 18 Day of July, 2024

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 19<sup>th</sup> day of July 2024.

[Signature]  
Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk

