



**RESOLUTION #** 25-7/10

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

**ITEM #7-16**

**BOARD ACTION**

Adopted:   
For: 21  
Against: 11  
Abstain: -  
Abs/Excd: 3  
Vote Req: MAJ.  
Other Action: ALL CALL

**PLANNING, RESOURCES & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ACTION**

Adopted: No  
For: 2  
Against: 5  
Abstain: -  
Abs/Excd: -

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTION**

Adopted:   
For: 6  
Against: 2  
Abstain: -  
Abs/Excd: 1

**RE: AUTHORIZATION TO FORM AD-HOC ASSESSMENT REFORM STUDY COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, the WI Department of Revenue (DOR), through Secretary Roger Irving, proposes to change the current municipal assessment of real and personal property; and,

**WHEREAS**, the DOR has studied and found valid concerns over local assessment and state equalization practices which warrant property assessment reform; and,

**WHEREAS**, the DOR proposes recommendations that will benefit Wisconsin's taxpayers and generate trust again by implementing an annual full market value assessment, with cost savings by eliminating the equalization process; and,

**WHEREAS**, additionally, the proposal will require the collection of data through assessment districts using advanced technology which will also reduce the costs of providing full value assessments every 5 to 6 years; as well as maximizing the purchasing power of municipalities to procure assessment services; and,

**WHEREAS**, the DOR proposal was developed at many state-wide public hearings with input from all levels of government, members of the assessment industry and experts in property valuation.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors does hereby form an ad-hoc committee to collaborate with all towns, villages and cities in the County to further study cost savings, i.e. contracts vs. full time assessment district employees, placement and staffing of assessment district offices, certification, better training and overall improvement of the current assessment process using state certified assessment software.

**FISCAL NOTE:** No County funds have been budgeted for this study. Any future costs would need to be approved by the County Board.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Not Approved  
**PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE CHAIR**

**RECORDING CLERK**

Date: 7-7-10

[Signature]  
**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR**

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**RECORDING CLERK**

	Reviewed Only	Recommended	Not Recommended
Co. Admin.	<u>SD</u>	_____	_____
Fin. Director	<u>GI</u>	_____	_____
Corp. Counsel	<u>WAS</u>	_____	_____
Board Chair	<u>SD/MA</u>	_____	_____

Requested By: Ralph Geary  
Date Requested: June 1, 2010  
Drafted By: Corporation Counsel

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 15<sup>TH</sup> Day of JULY, 2010

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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
COUNTY OF LA CROSSE

I, Linda A. Stone, 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 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2010.

[Signature]  
Linda A. Stone, La Crosse County Clerk