

**ORDINANCE**

**SUBJECT:** DRIVEWAY ACCESS TO COUNTY TRUNK HIGHWAYS

**COMMITTEE:** PUBLIC WORKS & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

**FIRST CONSIDERATION:** August 18, 2011

**FINAL CONSIDERATION:** September 15, 2011

**ORDINANCE #** 93 - 9/11 **PUBLICATION DATE** September 21, 2011

**The County Board of Supervisors of La Crosse County does ordain as follows:**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SS. 8.04(1) AND (4)(a) OF CHAPTER 8  
OF THE GENERAL CODE OF LA CROSSE COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
REGARDING DRIVEWAY ACCESS TO COUNTY TRUNK HIGHWAYS**

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**ANALYSIS**

Presently s. 8.04 regarding driveway access to county trunk highways only applies to private driveways adjacent to county trunk highways within unincorporated areas of La Crosse County even though La Crosse County maintains the highways in both incorporated and unincorporated areas. In order for La Crosse County to retain control and jurisdiction over driveway access to roads that the County Highway Department maintains, it is recommended by the La Crosse County Highway Department that persons be required to obtain permits from La Crosse County for any private driveways adjacent to County highways, whether or not such property is located within incorporated or unincorporated areas of La Crosse County.

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**INFORMATION:**

County Board Rules: Governing Body s. 2.02(8) states, in part: Ordinances are drafted by the Corporation Counsel. After the ordinance has been reviewed by a standing committee, each Supervisor will be given a copy of the ordinance showing the deleted language (grayed) and the new language (underlined) and an analysis of the intent of the ordinance. After introduction to the County Board, the ordinance shall be referred to the next monthly meeting unless waived by a 2/3 vote of the Supervisors present and a public hearing may be held if requested by a Supervisor. An amendment may be introduced and debated at either the original or the referred meeting. Copies of the ordinances of the County of La Crosse in their entirety are available with Corporation Counsel, County Clerk, or [www.co.la-crosse.wi.us/code/](http://www.co.la-crosse.wi.us/code/).

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The County Board of Supervisors of the County of La Crosse does hereby ordain as follows:

**Section 1.** Section 8.04(1) is amended to read:

8.04(1) APPLICABILITY. In accordance with ss. 86.07 (2) , Wis. Stats., This section applies to all design, layout and construction of private driveways which will be adjacent to a County Trunk Highway, or on a Roadway which is within 200 feet of an intersection of a County Trunk Highway.

**Section 2.** Section 8.04(4)(a) is amended to read:

8.04(4)(a) No owner of real estate, owner of an easement of ingress and egress or tenant of real estate which abuts a County Trunk Highway or within 200 feet of an intersection to County Trunk Highways on another roadway, shall open, construct, reconstruct or change the principal use of a driveway or roadway onto that County Trunk Highway or roadway, without obtaining a permit under this section.

**Section 3.** This Ordinance shall take effect the day after passage and publication as required by law.

LA CROSSE COUNTY

By: 

Tara Johnson, County Board Chair


By: 

Ginny Dankmeyer, County Clerk

PASSED: September 15, 2011  
PUBLISHED: September 21, 2011

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 ordinance 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 September, 2011.

  
Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk