

 <p style="text-align: center;"><b>RESOLUTION # _____</b></p> <p><b>TO: HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS</b></p>	<p><b>ITEM # _____</b></p> <p><b>BOARD ACTION</b></p> <p>Adopted: _____</p> <p>For: _____</p> <p>Against: _____</p> <p>Abstain: _____</p> <p>Abs/Excd: _____</p> <p>Vote Req: _____</p> <p>Other Action: _____</p>	<p><b>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTION</b></p> <p>Adopted: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p>For: <u>8</u></p> <p>Against: <u>1</u></p> <p>Abstain: <u>0</u></p> <p>Abs/Excd: <u>0</u></p>

**RE: CREATION OF AN AD HOC STUDY COMMITTEE ON AN INDEPENDENT POLICE  
OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, the Criminal Justice Management Council [CJMC] is a committee created by the County Board to act in an advisory capacity to the Judiciary and Law Committee, Health and Human Services Committee and County on all aspects of the criminal justice system and to "recommend changes, including the creation, elimination or modification of programs, policies and procedures" and;

**WHEREAS**, in June of 2020 a subcommittee of the CJMC was formed to explore the concept of a Citizen Advisory Board or Police Oversight Committee and;

**WHEREAS**, in May of 2021, after completing their work, the CJMC subcommittee reported back to the full CJMC recommending the creation of a 'civilian oversight board' and;

**WHEREAS**, the creation of a formal police oversight committee, particularly one that is multi-jurisdictional, would require a change in ordinance and full approval of the La Crosse County Board as well as specific and independent action by each jurisdiction in the County; and

**WHEREAS**, additional study and coordination between stakeholders across the County is necessary to consider and implement such a change; and

**WHEREAS**, prior to the consideration of any ordinance change, there are additional issues that need more comprehensive study and recommendation to the Judiciary and Law Committee, and ultimately the full Board; and

**WHEREAS**, an ad-hoc study committee created under s. 2.02(10) would assist the Board in making informed decisions;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors hereby establishes, as an ad-hoc committee, a *Study Committee on an Independent Police Oversight Committee* comprised of members appointed by the County Board Chair subject to approval by the County Board; and

**BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED**, that membership of the committee will be made up of stakeholders including law enforcement; policy and decision makers for agencies and municipalities; and community stakeholders including victim advocates, representatives of disproportionately impacted communities, subject matter experts, criminal legal system researchers, representatives with legal, civil rights or law enforcement expertise; and

**BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED**, the study committee shall consider and make recommendations to the County Board regarding the feasibility and framework for an Independent Police Oversight

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Committee including: scope and authority; structure; and funding while also taking into account the nature of a county-wide multi-jurisdictional approach; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the study committee will periodically report to the Judiciary and Law Committee, with the Judiciary and Law Committee establishing a timeline related to the work of the committee, resulting in a final report to the full County Board.

**FISCAL NOTE:** No financial impact to La Crosse County.

Date: 7/7/2021  
Monica Kruse  
COMMITTEE CHAIR

Date: 7-7-21  
R.T.K.  
RECORDING CLERK

	Reviewed Only	Recommended	Not Recommended	
Co. Admin.	<u>SO</u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	Requested By: Monica Kruse
Fin. Director	<u>SO</u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	Date Requested: June 29, 2021
Corp. Counsel	<u>SO</u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	Drafted By: Corporation Counsel
Board Chair	<u>SO</u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021