

## RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING ADOPTION OF <u>ENVISION 2050</u> AS UPDATED COMPREHENSIVE FOR LA CROSSE COUNTY

**WHEREAS,** Wisconsin's comprehensive planning law, set forth in s. 66.1001 of Wisconsin Statutes, requires County and local governments that enforce general zoning, shoreland zoning, subdivision, or official mapping ordinances to adopt a comprehensive plan by January 1, 2010; and,

**WHEREAS,** Wisconsin's comprehensive planning law, set forth in Section 66.1001(2)(i) of the Wisconsin Statutes, requires comprehensive plans to be updated no less than once every ten years; and

**WHEREAS,** La Crosse County, in 2008 adopted Chapter 31 of La Crosse County's Code of Ordinances entitled <u>La Crosse County, Wisconsin Comprehensive Plan 2007-2027</u>, and in 2010 adopted Chapter 32 entitled <u>Farmland Preservation</u> as an update to the comprehensive plan; and

**WHEREAS,** La Crosse County, in whole or part, received a grant from DATCP in 2021 to defray a portion of the cost of updating the La Crosse County comprehensive plan; and

**WHEREAS,** Municipalities in La Crosse County are in various stages of the process of updating their own comprehensive plans, and coordinating these efforts with the process of updating <u>Envision 2050</u>, the La Crosse County comprehensive plan; and

**WHEREAS,** the County Board of La Crosse County recognizes the importance of planning for the future growth and development of La Crosse County and did appoint a Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee; and,

**WHEREAS,** in resolution 3-4-21 the County Board of La Crosse County did adopt a public participation plan, and are in the process of implementing this plan which included open discussion, communication programs, information services, and public meetings for which advance notice was provided, in every stage of the preparation of a comprehensive plan, and from that input developed a vision for the County's future; and,

**WHEREAS,** the La Crosse County Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee, working in concert with County Staff and other stakeholders, developed *Envision 2050*, as a guide for the County's future growth and development; and

**WHEREAS,** *Envision 2050* contains recommendations in the form of goals, objectives and action plans as well as the Future Land Use and Farmland Preservation Plans and Sustainability Goals; and,

**WHEREAS,** *Envision 2050* will be practically applied by utilizing the plan to guide growth decisions, and through effectuating change to the County's ordinances, policies and capital improvement plans; and

**WHEREAS,** Planning staff and the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee recommends adoption of the <u>Envision 2050</u> plan by ordinance to the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors, after following statutory notification practices, including holding a public hearing on <u>Envision 2050</u> in accordance with Section 66.1001(4)(d) of the Statutes;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that pursuant to Sections 59.69 and 66.1001(4)(b) of the Wisconsin Statutes, the La Crosse County Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee hereby recommends that the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors adopt by ordinance the comprehensive plan embodied in *Envision 2050*.

Resolution Adopted: MONTH DAY, YEAR.

Monica Kruse, Committee Chair

Recording Clerk:

Votes: For: \_\_\_\_\_ Against: \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain: \_\_\_\_\_ Exc/Abs: \_\_\_\_\_