

**CITY OF RICHLAND CENTER
RESOLUTION NO. 2024 -4**

**RESOLUTION DECLARING SEVEN LOTS IN BLOCK 28 OF THE HASELTINE
ADDITION AND BLOCK 5 OF THE RICHLAND CENTER ORIGINAL PLAT AS
BLIGHTED PROPERTY AND PURSUING A LOCAL GOVERNMENT
ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILITY EXEMPTION**

WHEREAS, Section 66.1331 and 66.1333 of the Wisconsin Statutes, (the "Statutes"), outlines that it is the policy of the state to protect and promote the health, safety, and general welfare of the people of the state in which blighted areas exist by the elimination and prevention of such areas; and

WHEREAS, the Statutes authorize the City of Richland Center to undertake certain activities within the City for the purpose of carrying out blight elimination, blight prevention, urban renewal, and redevelopment programs and projects, together with all powers necessary or incidental to effect adequate and comprehensive redevelopment, blight elimination, and urban renewal programs and projects; and

WHEREAS, the City, with assistance from DNR, the EPA, and a professional engineering firm has studied the facts and circumstances regarding these seven properties;

101 N Jefferson St – Tax ID# 276-2100-2880
340 W Court St – Tax ID# 276-2100-2872
362 W Court St – Tax ID# 276-2100-2871
101 N Orange St – Tax ID# 276-2100-2860
395 W Court St – Tax ID# 276-2100-2830
357 W Mill St – Tax ID# 276-2100-2810
278 W Court St – Tax ID# 276-2100-0570

WHEREAS, it has been found that these properties exhibit deterioration, underutilization, incompatible uses and concerns over potential brownfield conditions that justify a finding of blight as defined by Wisconsin Statutes 66.1333; and

WHEREAS, the City will invoke the DNR - Local Government Environmental Liability Exemption as outlined in §292.11(9)(e) and intends on purchasing these seven lots in order to undertake activities to eliminate blight and obsolescence and to promote redevelopment for the betterment of the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Common Council of the City of Richland Center, Wisconsin declares the aforementioned properties as blighted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the staff of Richland Center, WI shall pursue the Local Government Environmental Liability Exemption for the properties.

ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Richland Center on this 4th day of June, 2024.

CITY OF RICHLAND CENTER
RICHLAND COUNTY, WISCONSIN

Todd Coppernoll, Mayor

Attest: _____
Ashley Oliphant, City Administrator/Interim Clerk/Treasurer