CITY OF SHEBOYGAN
RESOLUTION 139-26-27

BY ALDERPERSONS DEKKER AND KELLY.

NOVEMBER 9, 2026.

A RESOLUTION authorizing the appropriate City officials to pause the advancement of the pedestrian bridge.

WHEREAS, the City of Sheboygan Department of Public Works and the Department of Planning and Development submitted an application to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) for a Rebuilding America Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant to construct a Movable Pedestrian Bridge, and the City was notified of the award and began the contracting process with FHWA in 2023; and

WHEREAS, in 2024 the Common Council approved an agreement with FHWA to proceed with the project's design and construction with an agreement with HDR to design the bridge; and

WHEREAS, the original estimated construction costs were set at approximately $6.7 million, with $5.3 million to be paid by the federal RAISE grant, and later refinements raised the estimate to roughly an $8 million build out, with $3.5 million allocated from TID 21 to cover the City's increased costs; and

WHEREAS, recent engineering design work and projections now estimate project costs at over $12 million, and TID 21 cannot support such a large cost increase and advancing the project would require issuing debt placed on the general tax base, which City staff do not support.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Common Council hereby authorizes the City to pause further advancement of the pedestrian bridge project upon completion of the environmental documentation process.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF SHEBOYGAN COMMON COUNCIL _____.

Presiding Officer

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Ryan Sorenson, Mayor, City of Sheboygan

Attest

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Meredith DeBruin, City Clerk, City of Sheboygan