RESOLUTION TO SUBMIT VIBRANT SPACES GRANT FOR DOWNTOWN ALLEY INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS

SPONSOR: MAYOR MCFARLAND FROM: FINANCE COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, The City of Watertown is interested in obtaining a Vibrant Spaces Grant from the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) for the activation and improvement of downtown alleys, and,

WHEREAS, a cost-sharing grant is available to assist in the improvement of alley infrastructure, specifically screening, pavement and drainage improvements, as recommended in the Main Street Task Force Main Street Reconstruction Recommendations report; and,

WHEREAS, the WEDC cost share for the project may not exceed 50% and is capped at \$50,000; and,

WHEREAS, if the City is awarded a WEDC Vibrant Spaces Grant for the Downtown Alley Infrastructure Improvements, the WEDC cost share will be \$46,790 and the City's cost share will be approximately \$46,790; and

WHEREAS, the City of Watertown Engineering Division and Stormwater Utility will request funds from the Storm Water Utility Fund Balance be appropriated for the City's cost share portion of the Vibrant Spaces Grant upon award.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATERTOWN, WISCONSIN:

The Common Council of the City of Watertown hereby authorizes the Mayor to act on behalf of the City of Watertown as the authorized governmental official, to sign and submit an application to the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation for any financial aid that may be available; sign a grant agreement between the City of Watertown and the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation, sign and submit reimbursement claims and any supporting documents, sign and submit interim and final reports and documents, take necessary action to undertake, direct and complete the approved project; and that the City of Watertown shall comply with all state and federal laws, regulations and permit requirements pertaining to the implementation of this project and to fulfill the grant provisions.

	YES	NO	
DAVIS			ADOPTED February 20, 2023
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SMITH			APPROVEDFebruary 20, 2023
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