RESOLUTION TO APPROVE WATER QUALITY TRADE PROTOCOL AND APPROVAL METHODS

SPONSOR: ALDERPERSON WETZEL FROM: PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the new Watertown Waterways Improvement Program (WWIP) successfully started in August of this year; and,

WHEREAS, This local water quality trading program will be implemented to meet the pollutant reductions listed in the Rock River Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) and is required by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit no. WI-S050075-3; and,

WHEREAS, The Watertown Waterways Improvement Program (WWIP) was developed by City and Jefferson County staff with assistance from the Rock River Coalition; and,

WHEREAS, The expertise and experience of the Jefferson County Land & Water Conservation Department staff, including their in-depth knowledge of the local landscape and property owners in the area, is the foundation for the successful implementation of this local water quality trading program; and,

WHEREAS, Once County staff have identified a possible pollutant reduction practice with an interested local property owner, the City Director of Public Works/City Engineer or his/her designee will review the proposed project and approve or deny its inclusion in the Watertown Waterways Improvement Program (WWIP); and,

WHEREAS, The City's process to evaluate and select proposed projects to be installed to capture pollutants is described in detail in the Watertown Waterways Improvement Program (WWIP) Project Selection & Approval Process; and,

WHEREAS, additionally, the City's process to evaluate and select proposed projects to be installed will include the project location, the overall and annual costs, the number of projects completed in that budget year and the remaining budget, the amount of pollutant reduction, and cost per pound of phosphorous for each project; and,

WHEREAS, Additional site or project-specific criteria may be evaluated depending on the type of project that is proposed; and,

WHEREAS, Each project is shared with Public Works Commission as an update after the contract is signed with the property owner and recorded with the County; and,

WHEREAS, the Watertown Waterways Improvement Program (WWIP) Project Selection & Approval Process has been reviewed and approved by the Public Works Commission.

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

(November 21, 2023) Exhibit #XXXX

That the proper City officials be and are hereby authorized to approve the Watertown Waterways Improvement Program water quality trade and approval methods.

| | YES | NO | |
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| DAVIS | | | ADOPTED <u>November 21, 2023</u> |
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| BOARD | | | |
| BARTZ | | | CITY CLERK |
| BLANKE | | | |
| SMITH | | | APPROVED November 21, 2023 |
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| MAYOR MCFARLAND | | | |
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