RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WATERTOWN TO APPLY FOR THE WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES 2026 URBAN FORESTRY GRANT

SPONSOR: MAYOR ROBERT STOCKS FROM: FINANCE COMMITTEE

- WHEREAS, the City of Watertown is interested in applying for a cost-share grant from Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for the purpose of funding urban and community forestry projects specified in s. 23.097(1g) and (1r), Wis. Stats.; and
- **WHEREAS**, there exists an available grant award up to \$25,000 (Twenty-five Thousand Dollars) to support the foregoing objectives related to community tree management through tree plantings, private tree giveaway, ash tree injections, update tree inventory and create an urban forestry management plan within the City of Watertown in the year 2026; and
- WHEREAS, grant funds will be designated to revenue account 01-42-73-75 and the City will commit to provide grant-applicable matching funds GRANT EXP: TREES & ASH INJECT from expense account 01-56-11-19, wherein 50% (fifty percent) can be obtained in-kind for and under said project as required by the Wisconsin DNR Urban Forestry grant application; and
- **WHEREAS**, the applicant attests to the validity and veracity of the statements and representations contained in the grant application; and
- **WHEREAS**, the applicant requests a grant agreement to carry out the project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATERTOWN, WISCONSIN, the City of Watertown will comply with all local, state, and federal rules, regulations and ordinances relating to this project and the cost-share agreement;

That the proper City Officials be and are hereby authorized to budget a sum sufficient to fully and satisfactorily complete the project and hereby authorizes and empowers the Director of Parks, Recreation, and Forestry, its official or employee, to act on its behalf to:

- 1. Sign and submit the grant application
- 2. Sign a grant agreement between applicant and the DNR
- 3. Submit interim and/or final reports to the DNR to satisfy the grant agreement
- 4. Submit grant reimbursement request to the DNR
- 5. Sign and submit other required documentation

That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and adoption.

	YES	NO	
DAVIS			ADOPTED October 7, 2025
LAMPE			
BERG			
BARTZ			CITY CLERK
BLANKE			
SMITH			APPROVED October 7, 2025
ARNETT			
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MAYOR STOCKS			
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