

**RESOLUTION TO
SUPPORT PRE-DISASTER FLOOD
RESILIENCE GRANT FUNDING FOR WESTSIDE CREEK SYSTEM
ASSESSMENT**

**SPONSOR: MAYOR MCFARLAND
FROM: FINANCE COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, The City of Watertown is interested in acquiring a Pre-Disaster Flood Resilience Grant from Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM) for the purpose of evaluating and modeling the westside creek system to provide baseline data to design future flood control measures; and,

WHEREAS, WEM is offering the Pre-Disaster Flood Resilience Grant for the first, and possibly only time, this year; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Watertown is eligible for the Pre-Disaster Flood Resilience Grant due to the severe rain events of 2018; and,

WHEREAS, a cost-sharing grant is available to assist in the funding to study and model the impacts of creek flows, floodplain and stormwater runoff flowing into the westside creek system from upstream of and within the City; and,

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Emergency Management cost share for the project may not exceed 75 percent of eligible costs, and is capped at \$300,000; and,

WHEREAS, cost estimates based on similar previous projects have estimated that eligible costs for evaluating and modeling the westside creek system will be approximately \$117,000; and,

WHEREAS, if the City is awarded a WEM Pre-Disaster Flood Resilience Grant to study and model stormwater impacts to the westside creek system, the WEM cost share would be \$87,750 and the City's cost share will be approximately \$29,250; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Watertown Engineering Department and Storm Water Utility will request funds from Account #16-58-16-60 Stormwater Utility Capital Outlay be appropriated for the City of Watertown's cost-share portion for the Pre-Disaster Flood Resilience Grant.

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 the behalf of the City of Watertown as the authorized responsible governmental official, to sign and submit an application to the State of Wisconsin Emergency Management for any financial aid that may be available, sign a grant agreement between the City of Watertown and Wisconsin Emergency Management to participate in the Pre-Disaster Flood Resilience Grant, request Stormwater Water Utility Account #16-58-16-60 Capital Outlay funding for the cost-share portion and any cost in excess of the estimated budget in the grant application, sign and submit reimbursement claims along with necessary supporting documents, interim and final reports and documents, other grant

program forms as necessary, take necessary action to undertake, direct and complete the approved project; and that the City of Watertown shall comply with all local, state and federal laws, regulations and permit requirements pertaining to implementation of this project and to fulfillment of the grant document provisions.

	YES	NO
DAVIS		
LAMPE		
BOARD		
BARTZ		
BLANKE		
SMITH		
SCHMID		
WETZEL		
MOLDENHAUER		
MAYOR MCFARLAND		
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ADOPTED November 19, 2024

CITY CLERK

APPROVED November 19, 2024

MAYOR