

Resolution No. _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN ADVISORY REFERENDUM QUESTION BE
PLACED ON THE NOVEMBER 5, 2024 ELECTION BALLOT

WHEREAS, the City of Whitewater Water Utility has decommissioned the Starin Park Water Tower, and it is no longer part of the operational water system; and

WHEREAS, the Starin Park Water Tower holds historical significance to the City and there is a community interest in preserving it as a City-owned Historical Landmark; and

WHEREAS, the cost of demolishing the Starin Park Water Tower has been estimated at \$600,000; and

WHEREAS, the \$600,000 could be put toward maintaining the Starin Park Water Tower; and

WHEREAS, maintaining the Starin Park Water Tower as a historical landmark would require an estimated \$1,000,000 in addition to the \$600,000 for initial repairs and \$250,000 for maintenance every 10 years; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Whitewater would like to obtain citizen input on spending tax dollars to maintain the Starin Park Water Tower;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Whitewater:

1. The Common Council directs the following question to be placed on the November 5, 2024 election ballot.

Should the City of Whitewater use approximately \$1,000,000 in tax dollars to repair, and approximately \$250,000 every ten years to maintain, the Starin Park Water Tower?

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 20__.

Signature:

John Weidl, City Manager

Attest

Heather Boehm, City Clerk