

RESOLUTION NO. _____
A RESOLUTION DIRECTING WHITEWATER LAKES ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO STUDY AND
DOCUMENT RESIDENT'S INTEREST IN CREATION OF LAKE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the City of Whitewater, Walworth and Jefferson Counties, Wisconsin, has within its city limits both Cravath Lake and Tripp Lake; and

WHEREAS, the City of Whitewater finds environmental values, wildlife, public rights in navigable water, and the public welfare may be threatened by the deterioration of its lakes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Whitewater created a Lakes Advisory Committee which has recommended the creation of a Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District under Chapter 33 of the Wisconsin Statutes (hereafter "Lake District"); and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has received a request to create a Lake District and is willing to explore doing so if sufficient support from the community for doing so can be provided; and

WHEREAS, the Lake Advisory Committee has commissioned and is preparing a Lake District Plan which it anticipates being completed on or before July 30, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Whitewater that the Lakes Advisory Committee is authorized to create a petition for each ward supporting the creation of a Lake District and may circle said petition for collection of signatures from property owners within each Ward of the City and shall submit said petition upon its completion to the City Clerk on or before January 1, 2028.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon the Lakes Advisory Committee submitting to the City Clerk a completed Lake District Plan, containing a proposed five-year budget, and petitions from each ward signed by a minimum of 20 landowners within each ward with a combined total of no fewer than 300 signatures citywide, on or before January 1, 2028, the proper City Officials are directed to prepare a resolution for the Common Council's consideration to create a Lake District under Wis. Stat. Sec. 33.23.

Resolution introduced by Councilmember _____, who moved for its adoption.

Seconded by Councilmember _____.

AYES: _____

NOES: _____

ABSENT: _____

ADOPTED: _____, 2025

John Weidl, City Manager

Heather Boehm, City Clerk