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**RESOLUTION #**

**Resolution Authorizing the County Administrator to Enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Baraboo and Town of Baraboo**

**Resolution offered by the Land Resources and Extension Committee**

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Sauk County, Wisconsin:

**BACKGROUND:** The Sauk County Board of Supervisors unanimously adopted the Great Sauk State Trail Master Plan in July 2024 (Resolution No. 59-2024). The Plan identifies a preferred and alternate route that connects the built trail in the Sauk Prairie area to the 400 State Trail in Reedsburg. The Plan intends that the final construction of the trail will accommodate a 10-12 foot bituminous paved shared-use transportation facility that will be physically separated from vehicular traffic as much as possible. One of the project goals, as expressed in the plan, is to provide a regional recreational trail experience connecting multiple communities; however, where the trail is located in incorporated areas, it is anticipated that the trail will also serve as an alternative transportation option to traditional vehicular options to access local destination businesses and attractions by residents and recreational trail users alike.

The planning process that led to the development of the Great Sauk State Trail Master Plan included a significant amount of involvement from the affected municipalities, state agencies, and other stakeholder groups to develop, review, and refine the plan. The plan identified Sauk County as the primary sponsor of the planning process and continued plan implementation through coordination with affected municipalities and state agencies, leading to a fully constructed trail.

Specifically, the plan more particularly identifies a route and recommendations by segment. This agreement, more particularly, applies to the Baraboo Segment, attached in map form in Appendix A, which includes the Baraboo Spur, as shown in map form in Appendix A.

The Intergovernmental Agreement outlines the Great Sauk State Trail's Baraboo spur, which spans parts of the City of Baraboo and Town of Baraboo, utilizing sections of the County Road DL right-of-way. Furthermore, it establishes a cooperative framework that defines municipal and county responsibilities regarding communication, funding, trail design, engineering, and ongoing maintenance.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Sauk County Board of Supervisors, met in regular session, that the County Administrator be authorized to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Baraboo and Town of Baraboo.

Approved by the Executive and Legislative Committee on July 7, 2026.

Approved by the Land Resources and Extension Committee on July 9, 2026.

To be presented to the County Board on July 21, 2026.

Consent Agenda Item: [ ] YES [ ] NO

Fiscal Impact: [X] None [ ] Budgeted Expenditure [ ] Not Budgeted

Vote Required: Majority = \_\_\_\_\_ 2/3 Majority = \_\_\_\_\_ 3/4 Majority = \_\_\_\_\_

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The County Board has the legal authority to adopt: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ as reviewed by the Corporation Counsel, \_\_\_\_\_, Date: \_\_\_\_\_.

Offered and passage moved by:

**Executive & Legislative Committee**

\_\_\_\_\_  Aye  Nay  Abstain  Absent  
Timothy McCumber, Chair

\_\_\_\_\_  Aye  Nay  Abstain  Absent  
John Deitrich, Vice Chair

\_\_\_\_\_  Aye  Nay  Abstain  Absent  
Peter Kinsman

\_\_\_\_\_  Aye  Nay  Abstain  Absent  
Rebecca Klitzke

\_\_\_\_\_  Aye  Nay  Abstain  Absent  
Richard Cross

\_\_\_\_\_  Aye  Nay  Abstain  Absent  
Brian Peper

\_\_\_\_\_  Aye  Nay  Abstain  Absent  
Brandon Lohr

\_\_\_\_\_  Aye  Nay  Abstain  Absent  
Joel Chrisler

**Land Resources and Extension Committee**

\_\_\_\_\_  Aye  Nay  Abstain  Absent  
Peter Kinsman, Chair

\_\_\_\_\_  Aye  Nay  Abstain  Absent  
Brian Peper, Vice Chair

\_\_\_\_\_  Aye  Nay  Abstain  Absent  
Brandon Lohr, Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_  Aye  Nay  Abstain  Absent  
Brock Pelton

\_\_\_\_\_  Aye  Nay  Abstain  Absent  
Robert Prosser

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105 Jeff Sederstrom

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107 \_\_\_\_\_  Aye  Nay  Abstain  Absent  
108 Bernadette Greenwood

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111 Scott Alexander

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113 \_\_\_\_\_  Aye  Nay  Abstain  Absent  
114 Randy Puttkamer

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118 Fiscal Note: No fiscal impact. The Intergovernmental Agreement allows Sauk County to move  
119 forward with engineering, design, and construction work for that part of the Baraboo spur located  
120 in the Town of Baraboo. The City of Baraboo is wholly responsible for the engineering, design,  
121 construction, and maintenance for that portion of the Baraboo spur within the City limits. Funding  
122 for the County's portion of engineering, design, and construction costs will be included in future  
123 capital improvement plan budget requests. These funding requests will include applications for  
124 grants, donations, and sponsorships.

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126 MIS Note: No information systems impact.