

1 **WASHINGTON COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

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3 Date of enactment: 9/13/11

4 Date of publication: 9/21/11

5 **VOTE**

6 **2011 RESOLUTION 29**

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8 **Grant Application – United States Environmental Protection Agency –**  
9 **Brownfield Assessment Grants**

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11 **WHEREAS**, Washington County Code Section 4.27 requires that certain county grant  
12 programs or applications for funds receive approval by the County Board of Supervisors; and

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14 **WHEREAS**, federal grant funding is available, upon application, from the United States  
15 Environmental Protection Agency (“U.S. EPA”) for the assessment, cleanup and development of  
16 brownfield properties; and

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18 **WHEREAS**, Economic Development of Washington County (“EDWC”) has presented a  
19 proposal for the development of a countywide brownfield program to be administered by EDWC;  
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21 **WHEREAS**, EDWC’s proposal requests a partnership with Washington County so that an  
22 application for up to \$400,000 in assessment grants can be submitted on the County’s behalf; and

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24 **WHEREAS**, assessment grants, if awarded, will allow for EDWC to establish an inventory  
25 of brownfield sites in Washington County, conduct assessments on those sites and identify risks, if  
26 any, for businesses desiring to invest and develop the sites; and

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28 **WHEREAS**, developing an inventory of brownfield sites and assessing the sites for risk will  
29 provide another “tool” for successful business development and investment in Washington County;  
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32 **WHEREAS**, the Executive Committee has reviewed the proposed program and the benefits  
33 to be gained therefrom and recommends that EDWC submit an application for assessment grants  
34 from the U.S. EPA, provided that the only additional County funds that may be required are the  
35 funds identified herein and that any necessary match funds will be supplied by EDWC or other non-  
36 County or County in-kind services;

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38 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Washington County Board of  
39 Supervisors that the Board authorizes the preparation of a grant application for submittal to the U.S.  
40 EPA on the County’s behalf and directs the EDWC to comply with any and all requirements and  
41 regulations of the U.S. EPA Brownfield Program.

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43 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Board Chairperson and County Clerk are  
44 authorized to sign all necessary documents on behalf of the County and to take the necessary steps to  
45 prepare and file the appropriate application for funds under this program in accordance with this  
46 resolution and subject to the review and approval of same by the County Attorney’s Office.

1 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that EDWC may contract with Bonestroo/Stantec to  
2 complete the grant application on behalf of Washington County at its own risk and at no cost to  
3 EDWC or Washington County, subject to the condition that if the grant is awarded, either Bonestroo  
4 will be selected to receive the contract to conduct the study through a qualifications-based  
5 procurement process, or Bonestroo will be reimbursed by Washington County for its costs in  
6 preparing the grant application up to a maximum reimbursement of \$10,000.

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8 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the EDWC shall report on at least a quarterly basis to  
9 the Executive Committee the status of the application and, if awarded, the status of the brownfield  
10 assessment program funded by the grant.

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12 VOTE REQUIREMENT FOR PASSAGE: Majority

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14 RESOLUTION SUMMARY: Authorization for the County to apply for a brownfield assessment  
15 grant from the Environmental Protection Agency in partnership with Economic Development of  
16 Washington County.

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18 APPROVED: Introduced by members of the EXECUTIVE and  
19 (signed by Kimberly A. Nass) FINANCE COMMITTEES as filed with  
20 Kimberly A. Nass, County Attorney the County Clerk.  
21 Dated 9/19/11 (signed by Herbert J. Tennies  
22 Considered 9/13/11 Herbert J. Tennies, Chairperson  
23 Adopted 9/13/11 Executive Committee  
24 Ayes 27 Noes 0 Absent 3 (signed by Ralph R. Hensel)  
25 Voice Vote \_\_\_\_\_ Ralph R. Hensel, Chairperson  
26 Finance Committee

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28 (This grant commits the County to provide funding for the program in an amount not to exceed  
29 \$10,000 plus a contribution of in-kind services.)