

RESOLUTION NUMBER 20-0304

WHEREAS, the Long Range Planning Committee is charged to plan for the future growth and expansion of Iowa County and its services and to prepare and present to the County Board a Long Range Plan that projects the space, building, construction and service needs of county departments and agencies, and

WHEREAS, the Long Range Planning Committee has for the past two (2) years been working in conjunction with the Iowa County Sheriff's Department, Wisconsin Department of Corrections, Iowa County Finance Office, an architectural space needs consultant, and has conducted surveys of the community and county departments and employees and received independent opinions from various architectural firms, and

WHEREAS, the Long Range Planning Committee has inspected the present Iowa County Jail facility and reviewed numerous reports including, but not limited to, Iowa County Jail inmate population statistics, county population projections, state and county census information, Department of Corrections annual reports, space needs survey results, county budget and financial records and received input from county employees, citizens and jail construction experts, and

WHEREAS, the Long Range Planning Committee has concluded based on all of the above described activity that it is in the best interest of Iowa County to construct a new Law Enforcement Center as the present Iowa County Jail site is limited and restricts long range expansion and the remodeling or renovation of the existing jail is not recommended; and

WHEREAS, the Long Range Planning Committee has concluded that in order to avoid further possibility of delay which may result in unnecessary and unjustifiable cost to Iowa County it is desirable to proceed with authorizing the construction of a new Iowa County Law Enforcement Center, and

WHEREAS, the Long Range Planning Committee believes that interest rates for municipal borrowing are favorable at this time, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Iowa County Board of Supervisors approves and authorizes the construction of a new Iowa County Law Enforcement Center.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Iowa County Board refer establishment of the Law Enforcement Center Building Project Committee to the Committee on Committees and to submit their appointments to the Iowa County Board for approval.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that in no case or instance will the Building Project Committee plan for, authorize, or accept, any project related costs, either incurred or to be incurred exceeding Twelve Million (\$12,000,000.00) Dollars regardless of the source of funding for the construction of the proposed law enforcement facility.

For consideration of the Iowa County Board of Supervisors on the 29th day of March, 2004.

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