RESOLUTION 2018-21

APPROVING A LEASE BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN AND THE WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REGARDING USE OF STATE LANDS FOR A TOURIST INFORMATION CENTER AND RELATED FACILITIES.

WHEREAS, on May 2, 1978, the City of Prairie du Chien, Crawford County, Wisconsin (the "City") and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (the “Department”) entered into a 40-year lease whereby the City leases from the Department the property upon which the City constructed the Tourist Information Center (the “TIC”);

WHEREAS, the leased property is described as lands bounded by West Wisconsin Street on the north, South Main Street on the east, West Iowa Street on the south, and the Marias de Saint Feriole on the west side;

WHEREAS, the lease has benefitted both the City and the Department in providing a Tourist Information Center welcoming visitors to Wisconsin and in affording office space for the Prairie du Chien Tourism Council and the Prairie du Chien Chamber of Commerce;

WHEREAS, the lease is in the interest of the public because public facilities related to highway operations provide safe respite for the travelling public.

WHEREAS, the City owns and maintains the TIC and other improvements on the property;

WHEREAS, the City leases the TIC to the Prairie du Chien Chamber of Commerce;

WHEREAS, the City and the Department desire to continue the current use of the property;

WHEREAS, the Prairie du Chien Chamber of Commerce wishes to expand the TIC; and

WHEREAS, the lease is governed under §66.0301 Wis. Stats.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Prairie du Chien to direct the Mayor and City Administrator to execute the new lease effective May 1, 2018, with the term of the lease being forty (40) years. The new lease is attached to and made part of this resolution.

The above and foregoing Resolution was duly adopted on the 29th day of May, 2018.

By a vote of: _______ in favor, _______ against, and _______ abstain.

__________________________________________
David Hemmer, Mayor of the City of Prairie du Chien

ATTEST:

__________________________________________
Chad Abram, Administrator of the City of Prairie du Chien