

VOTE
13 AYES
3 NAYS
5 ABSENT

RESOLUTION #21-2022

INTRODUCED BY: ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

INTENT: TO ESTABLISH A PACE (Property Assessed Clean Energy) PROGRAM FOR LANGLADE COUNTY.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wis. Stat. §66.0301, two or more municipalities of the State of Wisconsin, may be contract create a commissioner for the joint exercise of any power or duty required or authorized by law: and

WHEREAS, Langlade County is a "municipality" as that term is defined in Wis. Stat. §66.0301 and a political subdivision located in the State; and

WHEREAS, Langlade County is empowered by law to promote economic, cultural and community development, including, without limitation, the promotion of opportunities for the creation or retention of employment, the stimulation of economic activity, the increase of the tax base, and the promotion of opportunities for education, cultural improvement and public health, safety and general welfare, which may be accomplished by various means; and

WHEREAS, Wis. Stat. §66.0627(8) authorizes a city, a village, a town and a county in this State to, among other things, make a loan to or otherwise arrange, participate in or facilitate the financing of an energy improvement, a water efficiency improvement or a renewable resource application to a real property within its jurisdiction and to provide for such financing through the imposition of a special charge against the property benefitted by the energy or water efficiency improvement or renewable resource project; and

WHEREAS, such financings are commonly referred to as "Property Assessed Clean Energy" or "PACE" financings; and

WHEREAS, Langlade County has determined that it is in the public interest to provide real property owners, lessees, lenders and other transaction parties in Langlade County with access to a uniformly-administered program for PACE financing; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, Dunn, Eau Claire, and LaCrosse counties, with the support and counsel of the Wisconsin Counties Association League of Wisconsin Municipalities, Green Tier Legacy Communities and other stakeholders created a commission pursuant to Wis. Stat. §66.0301 to be known as the Wisconsin PACE Commission ("Commission"); and

WHEREAS, since 2016, the Commission has grown to 34 members, including the counties of Brown, Dane, Kenosha, Ozaukee, Racine, and Washington; and

WHEREAS, it is Langlade County's best interests to join the Wisconsin PACE Commission and authorize the execution of the Commission Agreement; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Wis. Stat. §66.0627 and the provisions of the Commission Agreement, Langlade County must adopt an Ordinance related to the administration of PACE financings in Langlade County and throughout the State ("PACE Ordinance"); and

WHEREAS, attached to this Resolution is proposed Ordinance #2-2022, which will be considered at

the same meeting at which this Resolution is being considered ("PACE Ordinance"); and

WHEREAS, adoption of the PACE Ordinance is necessary condition to Langlade County entering into the Commission Agreement; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this Resolution to authorize Langlade County to become a member of the Commission and authorize a duly-appointed representative of Langlade County to finalize and execute the final Commission Agreement attached to this Resolution;

SO, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Langlade County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the draft Commission Agreement, a copy of which is attached to this Resolution, and authorizes and directs the Langlade County Board Chair to sign such document after receipt of approval from the Langlade County official duly-appointed to approve the final form of the Commission Agreement and approval of the Langlade County Corporation Counsel; and

BE IT FURTHERED RESOLVED: That the Chair of the Langlade County Board of Supervisors is hereby directed to appoint a board supervisor to act as Langlade County's official representative in relation to the final approval of the form of the Commission Agreement and to otherwise take all action necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution; and

AND BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED: That the Langlade County Administrator is designated as the Langlade County "Representative Director" of the Board of Directors of the Commission in accordance with the Commission Agreement, he or she to serve at the pleasure of the Langlade County Board of Supervisors.

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Ben Pierce, Chairman
Kilanda Wigut
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ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:

FISCAL NOTE: No Fiscal Note.

ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF LANGLADE COUNTY THIS 10 th DAY OF ______, 2022.

Judy/Nagel, Langlade County Clerk