

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 21 (2023/24)

Re: **Approving Revisions to Farmland Preservation Plan**

WHEREAS, a County Farmland Preservation Agreement is a component part of the County's comprehensive plan under Wis. Stat. § 59.69(3), and

WHEREAS, one of the requirements necessary to enable farmland owners to enter into farmland preservation agreements is that the County adopt a Farmland Preservation Plan which is certified by the State as being compliant with Chapter 91 of the Wisconsin Statutes, and

WHEREAS, the Sheboygan County Planning & Conservation Department has developed a Farmland Preservation Plan for Sheboygan County which was first adopted by the Sheboygan County Board of Supervisors on November 1, 2005, as Resolution No. 25 (2005/06) which was certified, then revised on December 17, 2013, as Resolution No. 23 (2013/14) which was certified, and

WHEREAS, the Planning, Resources, Agriculture, and Extension Committee (PRAECom) has determined that the Farmland Preservation Plan requires revision of certain provisions in order to remain consistent with the County's comprehensive plan and eligible for state certification, and

WHEREAS, PRAECom has proposed a revision to the Farmland Preservation Plan, its text, and maps as set forth in the documents on file with the County Clerk and as submitted to the State of Wisconsin Department of Agriculture on September 15, 2023, for review, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture, by order dated October 17, 2023, has made a Finding of Fact, and Conclusions of Law providing that the 2023 Sheboygan County Farmland Preservation Plan, as revised, together with its text and maps is entitled to certification status through December 31, 2033, subject to the County Board approving the revisions thereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Sheboygan County Board hereby approves the 2023 Sheboygan County Farmland Preservation Plan, in the manner reflected in the copy on file in the County Clerk's Office and made a part hereof by reference hereto and makes it a part of Sheboygan County's Comprehensive Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Planning & Conservation Director and Corporation Counsel be directed to undertake such further action as necessary to confirm the certification of the Plan.

Respectfully submitted this 19th day of December, 2023.

PLANNING, RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND EXTENSION COMMITTEE*

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Opposed to Introduction:

Adopted 01/16/2024