

**CITY OF CEDARBURG**

**Resolution No. 2014-04**

**In Support of AB 680/SB 547  
Phosphorus Compliance Alternative Bills**

**Whereas**, the following three phosphorus compliance options exist under current law: building new or upgrading existing wastewater treatment plants, water quality trading, and adaptive management; and

**Whereas**, a new treatment plant or a new treatment process is a very expensive option for the City, water quality trading is not a viable option for the City of City, and adaptive management may or may not be an option for the City; and

**Whereas**, AB 680/SB 547 are bills that are a product of months of discussions initiated by the Municipal Environmental Group (MEG), an association of over 100 municipal wastewater treatment facilities; and

**Whereas**, the goal of these bills is to provide a more cost effective and practical alternative to complying with phosphorus regulations; and

**Whereas**, these bills would create an option whereby the City would pay into a fund that would be used by Ozaukee County to reduce phosphorus from entering the stream and would require that Counties be responsible for the work required to find and reduce phosphorus sources; and

**Whereas**, this variance alternative would cost the City of Cedarburg an estimated \$70,000 per year, well below the costs of the other alternatives provided for in the law;

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved**, that the Common Council of the City of Cedarburg supports AB680/SB 547 and urges Representative Duey Stroebel and Senator Glenn Grothman to vote for the bills.

Passed and adopted this 24<sup>th</sup> of February, 2014.

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Kip Kinzel, Mayor

Attest:

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Constance K. McHugh, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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Kaye K. Vance, City Attorney