



**VILLAGE OF WESTON, MARATHON COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-004**

**A RESOLUTION TO LIMIT ACCESS TO WESTON AVENUE  
TO IMPROVE PUBLIC SAFETY AND PROMOTE EFFICIENT TRAFFIC FLOW**

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Weston has designated Weston Avenue as an Arterial Street due to its current and future importance to the Village and Wausau urban area transportation network; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 71 of the Village of Weston municipal code provides for restrictions on private property access as well as street intersection spacing, among other things, with the intent of minimizing points of conflict between vehicles traveling on an Arterial Street and vehicles entering and exiting the Arterial Street at private entrances and street intersections; and

**WHEREAS**, the effect of minimizing said points of conflict on an Arterial Street is to improve safety for vehicles and pedestrians using the Arterial Street and promote efficient traffic flow; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 6, 2015, the Village of Weston adopted a “Complete Streets” Policy which, among other things, states the Village’s intention to provide for connections between neighborhoods and provide for other modes of travel in addition to motorized vehicles; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Weston has identified Weston Avenue to be a street requiring future reconstruction with a 100-foot right-of-way on the Village’s Official Map as adopted on February 15, 2016, by Ordinance 16-002; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Weston has initiated a study to create a planned development in the currently undeveloped property on the east side of CTH “X” south of STH 29 and north of Weston Avenue; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Weston official map also includes a connection from Transport Way - a dead end street extending approximately ¼ mile east of CTH X, south of Weston Avenue – to Weston Avenue and a street extending to Von Kanel Street; and

**WHEREAS**, said connections between Transport Way and Weston Avenue and Von Kanel Street should serve as the collector street for access to existing and future land parcels on the south side of Weston Avenue within the first ½ mile of CTH X; and

**WHEREAS**, the first 4 parcels on the south side of Weston Avenue east of CTH X should then gain access to public streets via a rear access drive connecting to said connecting street between Transport Way and Weston Avenue; and

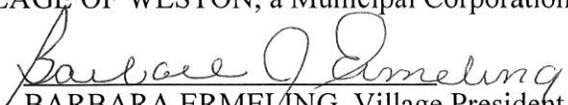
**WHEREAS**, the Village of Weston, private property owners on Weston Avenue, and the traveling public have a mutual interest in achieving improved safety and more efficient travel on Weston Avenue.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Weston hereby direct and empower the Village Administrator, Director of Planning and Zoning, and the Director of Public Works & Utilities to take the following actions to reduce or eliminate private access points and promote more efficient traffic flow:

1. Contact all property owners on Weston Avenue between CTH X and CTH J to inform them of the Village's adoption of its Official Map and the need for future right-of-way, 100 feet in width.
2. Contact affected land owners on Transport Way and those on Weston Avenue also affected of the Village's plan to create a connecting street from Transport Way to Weston Avenue and the means by which access will be brought into conformance with Chapter 71 of the Village of Weston Municipal Code, with an access drive as described above.
3. Inform all affected property owners of the means by which additional right-of-way may be acquired including, dedication as a condition of land division or through the process set forth in §32.05 Stats.
4. Inform all affected property owners of the access restrictions to Weston Avenue in accordance with Chapter 71 of the Village of Weston Municipal Code.
5. Inform all affected property owners of the potential that the Village may exercise its ability to levy special assessments to any properties receiving improvements by virtue of any construction or reconstruction of Village streets as allowed under §66.0701 Stats., §66.0703 Stats., and Chapter 78 of the Village of Weston Municipal Code, "Taxation and Special Assessments."
6. Inform those landowners affected by the intended connecting street between Transport Way and Weston Avenue of the Village's intent to pursue acquisition of any necessary lands for the connecting street and access drive following the process set forth in §32.05 Stats. if necessary.

**PASSED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WESTON**, at a regular meeting thereof, this 21st day of the month of March, 2016.

VILLAGE OF WESTON, a Municipal Corporation of the State of Wisconsin.

By:   
BARBARA ERMELING, Village President

ATTEST:  
By:   
SHERRY WEINKAUF, Village Clerk

Vote: 6 aye / 0 no