

RESOLUTION 2015-39

**REQUESTING FUNDS AND ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE FROM THE FEDERAL
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY FOR CONSTRUCTING A SAFE ROOM AS PART
OF THE PROPOSED LIBRARY EXPANSION AND COMMITTING TO THE REQUIRED
MATCH**

WHEREAS, ensuring the safety of the public is of primary importance to the Common Council;
and

WHEREAS, the City adopted the Crawford County, Wisconsin Multihazards Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Crawford County, Wisconsin Multihazards Mitigation Plan, identifies the Tornado/High Winds Risk Assessment Designation of Crawford County as follows:

- Tornado/High Winds Historical Occurrence Rating: High – 7
- Tornado/High Winds Vulnerability Rating: Critical – 5
- Tornado/High Winds Probability Rating: Highly Likely – 6
- Tornado/High Winds Local Official Survey Rating: Medium – 8
- Tornado/High Winds Risk Assessment Designation: High Threat – 26 points; and

WHEREAS, the Prairie du Chien Memorial Library is planning to double its size in 2017; and

WHEREAS, 45,000 people visit the Library annually, and the Library conducts and hosts programs that bring hundreds of people especially children and their parents into the library at a time;
and

WHEREAS, the planned expansion of the Library presents an opportunity to incorporate a multi-purpose safe room in the addition; and

WHEREAS, FEMA has a mitigation grant program to pay for up to 75 percent of the cost of the safe room; and

WHEREAS, the safe room will be finished in such a way to allow for other uses of the space;
and

WHEREAS, City staff have prepared an application for a safe room of 1,782 square feet to hold up to 300 people; and

WHEREAS, the City's cash match for this \$349,782.00 safe room would be \$71,407.50 of which the Library Capital Campaign would be responsible;

It Is, Therefore Resolved That:

The Common Council of the City of Prairie du Chien requests funds and assistance available from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for constructing this safe room and commits to the required match; and

Hereby Authorizes the City Administrator to act on the behalf of the Common Council of the City of Prairie du Chien to submit an application to FEMA for financial aid to construct the proposed safe room, sign documents, and take necessary action to undertake, direct, and complete approved grant activities.

Adopted this 21st day of July, 2015.

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

David Hemmer, Mayor of the City of Prairie du Chien

ATTEST:

Aaron Kramer, City Administrator of the City of Prairie du Chien