

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-27-S**

**RESOLUTION BY THE FINANCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AUTHORIZING TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$200,000.00) IN FUNDING FOR THE DESIGN OF AN INDOOR COMMUNITY ICE ARENA/FACILITY**

To the Honorable Members of the Racine County Board of Supervisors:

**WHEREAS**, by Resolution No. 2023-12-S, Racine County expressed its support for the efforts of the Racine County Ice Center, Inc. ("RCIC") – a Wisconsin organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code – to raise money to support the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of an indoor community ice arena/facility within Racine County; and

**WHEREAS**, since enactment of Resolution No. 2023-12-S, RCIC expects to secure and receive pledges in excess of Eight Million dollars (\$8,000,000.00) and it is expected that received funds will be deposited into an escrow account for Racine County's use toward the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of an indoor community ice arena/facility within Racine County upon achievement of mutually agreed upon milestones; and

**WHEREAS**, an indoor community ice arena/facility would serve as an avenue for recreation, fitness, employment, education, and economic development, and would primarily serve youth ice hockey organizations, figure skating clubs, camps/clinics, public skating, learn to skate programs, and third-party rentals; and

**WHEREAS**, Racine County deems it necessary to complete preliminary schematic design work and to have current cost estimates for the construction of an indoor community ice arena/facility that takes into account constraints and infrastructure needs (e.g., parking, utilities, stormwater, geotechnical, etc.) of potential sites before proceeding further.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that Racine County authorizes Two Hundred Thousand dollars (\$200,000.00), as set forth in Exhibit "A" that is attached hereto, in funding for the design of an indoor community ice arena/facility within Racine County, to include:

- One NHL sheet of ice (dimensions: 200' x 85')
- Locker rooms (anticipated 6)
- Spectator seating (anticipated 300-500 capacity)
- Offices
- Lobby
- Concessions
- Equipment rental/storage (including sufficient space for items including, but not limited to: ice refrigeration system, ice re-surfacing machine, etc.)
- Pro shop
- Robust ventilation system for periods of high humidity
- Parking

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4 Add-on features of the facility may include but are not necessarily limited to:

- 5 ● Second NHL sheet of ice (dimensions: 200' x 85')
- 6 ● One instructional sheet of ice (dimensions: 90' x 60')
- 7 ● Running/walking track
- 8 ● Fitness/training area
- 9 ● Climbing/boulder wall
- 10 ● Multi-purpose gymnasium(s) and/or fields.

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13 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that Racine  
14 County may engage the professional services of an architectural and engineering firm to  
15 conduct preliminary schematic design work, including, but not limited to site evaluation and  
16 planning to identify anticipated project costs for consideration in the 2025 Budget.

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18 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that, while  
19 construction of the indoor community ice arena/facility is presently envisioned at Haban Park,  
20 1330 Borgardt Road, Mount Pleasant, WI 53177, or Franksville Memorial Park, 9614  
21 Northwestern Avenue, Franksville, WI 53126, the final location for the indoor community ice  
22 arena/facility remains subject to separate authorization by the Racine County Board of  
23 Supervisors and additional sites may be considered for purposes of the preliminary schematic  
24 design.

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26 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that any two  
27 of the County Clerk, the County Executive, and/or the Racine County Board Chairman are  
28 authorized to execute any contracts, agreements, amendments, or other documents necessary  
29 to carry out the intent of this resolution.

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31 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that it hereby  
32 reiterates its support of and lauds RCIC's fundraising efforts and further supports future  
33 consideration of additional funding based upon budget considerations and demonstration of  
34 community interest and successful fundraising for a potential indoor community ice  
35 arena/facility.

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37 Respectfully submitted,

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39 **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

40 1st Reading \_\_\_\_\_  
41 2nd Reading \_\_\_\_\_

42 **BOARD ACTION**

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44 For \_\_\_\_\_  
45 Against \_\_\_\_\_  
46 Absent \_\_\_\_\_

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Tom Kramer, Chairman

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Scott Maier, Vice-Chairman

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48 **VOTE REQUIRED:** 2/3 M.E.

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Robert N. Miller, Secretary

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4 **The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of**  
5 **Racine County, Wisconsin, is hereby:**

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7 **Approved:** \_\_\_\_\_

8 **Vetoed:** \_\_\_\_\_

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10 **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_,

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**County Executive**

