

Justification For Expanding Our Boundaries

We approach the city planning department last week about expanding the south boundaries of the Lower Northside and Depot Neighborhood to the La Crosse River. They had no issues with the proposed expansion but they would like to see the justifications for doing so and would like to have you the members of the All-Leaders group weigh-in on the proposed expansion.

Justifications:

- This area is already considered part of the Northside.
- This area south of our association boundaries to the lacrosse river is unrepresented by any other neighborhood association nor is it big enough to justify its own neighborhood association.
- After sending out the mailer to all of the people in our neighborhood we had two people interested in becoming the secretary. One of the people lives just south of the association area on Buchner Place so for her to become a member we would have to expand our boundaries. This would also add other apartment buildings and residences for potentially more members.
- It would increase the number of businesses that would be in the association area as to increase the potential support of some of the projects that are currently being proposed in the association.
- In the Highway 53 Corridor Master Plan that was just finished by the City of La Crosse, the area that was defined in this plan was Hwy 53 from I-90 to La Crosse Street. This is the area of the Logan Northside NA and Lower Northside Depot NA.
- Discussions about future riverfront bike/ped paths in La Crosse go from Livingston Street to the La Crosse river, also the area of the Logan Northside NA and Lower Northside Depot NA.
- The city of La Crosse already uses the La Crosse river as an imaginary boundary for other projects in the city of La Crosse so I see no other reason to involve any other neighborhood associations in this area.
- If the association gets to big, it can always be split in the future.

