

**SAMPLE AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION FOR
INFLATION REDUCTION ACT (IRA) URBAN FORESTRY GRANT**

INSTRUCTIONS

Each applicant (Wisconsin cities, villages, towns, counties, non-profit 501(c)(3), or tribal governments) must submit to the DNR an *Authorizing Resolution*, approved by their governing body, that indicates an “**Authorized Representative.**” The Authorized Representative is defined here as an office, officer, or employee of the applicant, being given authority to act on its behalf to:

1. Sign and submit the grant application
2. Sign a grant agreement between applicant and the DNR
3. Submit interim and/or final reports to the DNR to satisfy the grant agreement
4. Submit grant reimbursement request to the DNR
5. Sign and submit other required documentation

We strongly recommend that the Authorized Representative be listed as the title of a position, rather than name of an employee. Employee changes (retirement, changing jobs, etc.) during a grant cycle cause the resolution to be ineffective.

The following is a sample authorizing resolution. It allows the Authorized Representative to submit an **Urban Forestry IRA** grant application.

Authorizing Resolution

WHEREAS, the applicant, (applicant organization name), is interested in obtaining a grant from Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for the purpose of funding urban and community forestry projects specified in Ch. NR 47, Wis. Adm. Code;

WHEREAS, the applicant attests to the validity and veracity of the statements and representations contained in the grant application; and

WHEREAS, the applicant requests a grant agreement to carry out the project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the applicant, (applicant organization name), will comply with all local, state, and federal rules, regulations and ordinances relating to this project and the agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the applicant will budget a sum sufficient to fully and satisfactorily complete the project and hereby authorizes and empowers (position title of Authorized Representative, e.g. City Forester or Village Administrator), its official or employee, to act on its behalf to:

1. Sign and submit the grant application
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Adopted this _____ day of _____, 20____.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by (applicant organization’s governing body) at a legal meeting on the _____ day of _____, 20____.

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| Authorized Signature | Title | Date Certified |