

ATTACHMENT B:

**Additional Minor Technical Corrections to the City of Franklin
2025 Comprehensive Master Plan**

1. Page 2-33, numbered item 4, insert a second bullet point to wit “Provide trails that act as destination routes as well as recreational routes.”
2. Page 3-11, insert two new paragraphs after the fourth paragraph, to wit
“Because of the importance of soil to agriculture and to promoting environmentally sound development, knowledge of the value of soil for various agricultural purposes is extremely useful. Such information can be found in the Milwaukee County Soil Survey, prepared by the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service. For example, the soil survey identifies that most of the soils within the southwestern portion of the City (approximately 89 percent of the land south of Ryan Road and west of 76th Street) are Prime Farmland, which are among those soils that are best suited to the production of food, feed, fiber, forage and oilseed crops. It is recommended that such information be included within this Comprehensive Master Plan at such time as a Farmland Preservation Plan is prepared by Milwaukee County.”
3. Page 3-15, insert three new paragraphs after the second paragraph to wit,
“In addition, because of the importance of agricultural resources to the State of Wisconsin, and the potential adverse impacts from the loss of such resources, the Wisconsin Working Lands Initiative was passed as part of the state’s 2009-2011 biennial budget process. Primarily located within Chapter 91 of the Wisconsin State Statutes, the main components of the Initiative include: expansion and modernization of the state’s existing farmland preservation program; establishment of agricultural enterprise areas; and development of a purchase of agricultural conservation easements matching grant program (PACE).

As with the conservation easement programs noted previously, the PACE program is also a voluntary program. It provides state funding for the purchase of agricultural conservation easements through the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection. Local entities (local governments or non-profit organizations) purchase the easements and may be reimbursed for up to 50 percent of the easement cost. Further information on this program can be found at the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection’s WorkingLands website.

It is envisioned that the PACE program may be of particular value to the City of Franklin in its efforts to sustain its rural atmosphere and agricultural resources. To be eligible for participation in the program, a county Farmland Preservation Plan must be prepared, and certified by the Department of

Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP), that is consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan. In addition, the specific property must be located within a farmland preservation area as identified in the Farmland Preservation Plan. However, as Milwaukee County does not have a Farmland Preservation Plan, it is recommended that the City work with Milwaukee County and DATCP to prepare such plans and ordinances with the intent to become eligible for the PACE program."

4. Page 3-59, insert two new bullet points to the beginning of the bulleted list, to wit "It is recommended that soil classification information be added to the Comprehensive Master Plan, consistent with and at such time as, preparation of a Farmland Preservation Plan by Milwaukee County." and "It is recommended that the City work with Milwaukee County and DATCP to prepare a Farmland Preservation Plan and a farmland preservation ordinance so as to enable eligibility in the PACE program."
5. Page 5-6, third bulleted list, insert two new bullet points to the beginning of the list to wit ""SEWRPC Community Assistance Planning Report NO. 176, Sanitary Sewer Service Area for the City of Franklin, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin" (October 1990)" and ""SEWRPC Planning Report NO. 42, A Regional Natural Areas and Critical Species Habitat Protection and Management Plan for Southeastern Wisconsin" (September 1997)".
6. Page 10-8, add a new recommendation to the beginning of the list of recommendations to wit "It is recommended that the City work with Milwaukee County and DATCP to prepare a Farmland Preservation Plan so as to enable eligibility in the PACE program.", [Responsible Party] "Plan Commission, Common Council, Milwaukee County, Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection", and [Priority Level] "2".