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### MEMORANDUM

**City of Fitchburg  
Planning/Zoning Department**

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**TO:** Sean Higgins, Capital Area Regional Planning Commission  
**FROM:** Wade Thompson, Resource/Project Planner  
**DATE:** July 15, 2014  
**SUBJECT:** **Agricultural land in City of Fitchburg's Northeast Neighborhood and North Stoner Prairie Neighborhood urban service area amendment applications**

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There is one landholding each in the City of Fitchburg's Northeast Neighborhood and North Stoner Prairie Neighborhood that are currently zoned Exclusive Agriculture (A-X) per the City's zoning ordinance. The A-X zoning district is certified as a Farmland Preservation (FP) district by the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP). These landholdings are also planned for FP per the Dane County FP Plan.

The A-X landholding in the Northeast Neighborhood is planned for continued/future agricultural use and A-X zoning per the City's Northeast Neighborhood Plan and Comprehensive Plan, and for FP per the Dane County FP Plan, and is subject to an agricultural conservation easement. **This landholding will remain in the A-X zoning district and planned for FP in the Dane County FP Plan for the foreseeable future.**

The A-X landholding in the North Stoner Prairie Neighborhood is planned for future industrial/commercial and residential use per the City's North Stoner Prairie Neighborhood Plan and Comprehensive Plan, and for FP per the Dane County FP Plan. **This landholding will be rezoned out of the A-X zoning district to the City's Transitional Agriculture (A-T) zoning district and will be taken out of the FP designation in the County FP Plan.**

**The City has discussed the aforementioned with Dane County Planning and Development Department and DATCP staff and will work with both to ensure consistency with applicable State statutes and County policy.**