

Battles over where city employees can live have been fought before in La Crosse. A new struggle over residency requirements may be on the horizon. Mayor Matt Harter wants to amend current rules regarding residency requirements so that any non-union employee hired after January first must live in the city as long as they work for the city. Currently, newly hired employees hired after 2005 are allowed to live outside of the city after being on the payroll for three years. Formerly, all La Crosse employees, union or not, had to live within the city, for as long as they were employed.