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Chris Straight is a Senior Planner with West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission based in Eau Claire. With over 19 years in this role, Mr. Straight has assisted local municipalities and counties in the region with a variety of community planning and development endeavors ranging from comprehensive plans and tax incremental financing to hazard mitigation and watershed 9-key element plans. In 2012, the RPC secured a grant that brought the Project for Public Spaces (PPS) to west-central Wisconsin to build local capacity in the application of placemaking concepts and tools. Mr. Straight has taken the RPC's lead in conducting placemaking workshops and applying these concepts in communities throughout the region. Mr. Straight holds M.S. degrees in Urban and Regional Planning and Geography from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.