

**CHAPTER 2
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2.01 COMMON COUNCIL

The Common Council shall consist of the Mayor and six members. There shall be three (3) Common Council districts with two (2) members from each district.

2.02 WARDS AND COMMON COUNCIL DISTRICTS

(1) First Ward. The First Ward shall consist of that part of the City in Columbia County lying south and west of the following described line:

Broadway East from the Wisconsin River to Bowman Road;
Bowman Road South to Bauer Street;
Bauer Street East to Windy Hill Road;
Windy Hill Road to Race Street;
Race Street North to Vine Street;
Vine Street South East to the City Limits.

(2) Second Ward. The Second Ward shall consist of that part of the City in Columbia County lying north and west of the following described line:

Broadway East from the Wisconsin River to Vine Street;
Vine Street North to Indiana Avenue;
Indiana Avenue East to alley between Vine Street and Race Street;
Alley between Vine Street and Race Street on Indiana Avenue North along the centerline of the vacated alley past lots 5-12 of Block 5; A line north of lot 5 Block 5 continuing east along the north line of lots 12 & 5 of Block 6 to the West ROW line of STH 13.

(3) Third Ward. The Third Ward shall consist of that part of the City located in Columbia County and not in the First, Second or Sixth Ward.

(4) Fourth Ward. The Fourth Ward shall consist of that part of the City located in Sauk County, as of April 1, 2010.

(5) Fifth Ward. The Fifth Ward shall consist of that part of the City located in Adams County contiguous with Columbia County west of STH 13.

(6) Sixth Ward. The Sixth Ward shall consist of that part of the City in Columbia County lying in an area located:

Starting on Broadway at the corner of Broadway and Bowman then
Then East on Broadway from Bowman Road to Vine Street;
Then North on Vine Street from Broadway to Indiana Avenue;
Then East on Indiana Avenue from Vine Street to the alley between Vine
Street and Race Street;
Then North along the centerline of the vacated alley past lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9,
10, 11, 12 of Block 5;
Then East along the north line of Lot 5 Block 5 continuing east along the
north line of Lots 12 & 5 of Block 6, continuing east across STH 13 and
across the north line of Lot 5 Block 7 continuing east along the north line
of Lot 12 Block 8 to the North-east corner of Lot 12 Block 8;
Then South along the East line of Lots 12, 11, 10 & 9 Block 8 continuing
south for a total of approximately 330 ft;
Then East along a line that will run just north of lots 45, 46, 48, 49, 50, 51
of the first addition to the Oak Lawn Subdivision (platted July 1969);
Then South along the east line of lot 51 of the first addition to the Oak
Lawn Subdivision and continuing south on Weber Avenue to Valley
Drive;
Then West on Valley Drive to Pine Drive;
Then South on Pine Dr to STH 23;
Then West on STH 23 to STH 16;
Then South on STH 16 to the City Limits across at Deerwood Trail;
Then West of STH 16, along the city limits from Deerwood Trail to Vine
Street;
Then North-West on Vine Street from the city limits to Race Street;
Then South on Race Street from Vine Street to Windy Hill
Then West on Windy Hill from Race Street to Bowman Road
Then North on Bowman Road to Broadway.

(7) Seventh Ward. The Seventh Ward shall consist of that part of the City located in Juneau County.

(8) Eighth Ward. The Eighth Ward shall consist of that part of the city located in Sauk County that was annexed after April 1, 2010 (per 2011 Wis. Act 39). The first such annexation was the Sherwood Forest property annexed in August of 2010.

(9) Ninth Ward. The Ninth Ward shall consist of that part of the City located in Adams County contiguous with Columbia County east of STH 13.

(10) Tenth Ward. The Tenth Ward shall consist of that part of the city located in Sauk County in Senate District 27 and Assembly District 81 but not contiguous with Ward 8.

(11) Eleventh Ward. The Eleventh Ward shall consist of that part of the city located in Columbia County in Congressional District #6, Senate District 14 and Assembly District 81. South-West of the Vine Street and Grand Cambrian Drive intersection. Approximately encompassed by a line that has a point of beginning at the intersection of Vine Street and Grand Cambrian Drive then runs north-west along Vine Street approximately 1200 ft, then south approximately 650 ft, then south-east. approximately 1200 ft to Grand Cambrian Drive, and then north along Grand Cambrian Drive approximately 650 ft to the intersection of Vine Street and Grand Cambrian Drive and the point of beginning. (Southfork Campground Annexation.)

(12) Twelfth Ward. The Twelfth Ward shall consist of that part of the city located in Columbia County in Congressional District #6, Senate District 27 and Assembly District 81 and County Supervisory District 2. Beginning at the NE corner of Lot 2 of Certified Survey Map No. 5937; thence S29°21'47"W along the southeast line of said Lot 2, 292.58 feet to southeast corner of said Lot 2; thence S58°29'42"E, 29.65 feet; thence N61°53'10"E, 36.31 feet; thence N0°45'03"E, 187.47 feet; thence N47°16'43"W, 37.79 feet to point of beginning. (Half-acre lot in the back yard at 200 Windy Hill Road that was annexed from the Town of Newport.)

- (13) The Common Council Districts shall consist of the following wards:
District One – Wards 1, 4, 7, 8, 10, 11 and 12
District Two – Wards 2, 5 and 9
District Three – Wards 3 and 6

2.03 COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES

- (1) Committees. The Common Council shall have the following committees:
- (a) Public Works Committee
 - (b) Finance Committee
 - (c) Legislative Committee
 - (d) Public Safety Committee
 - (e) Personnel Committee

(2) Membership and Appointments.

(a) The Mayor shall appoint the members and officers of the Common Council Committees annually at the organizational meeting of the Common Council subject to the approval of the Common Council.

(b) Each committee of the Common Council shall be comprised of three members of the Common Council and the Mayor.

(3) Public Works Committee. The Public Works Committee shall have the duties and powers specified in Wis. Stat. Sec. 62.14.

2.04 COMMON COUNCIL PROCEDURE.

(1) Meeting Date. The regular meetings of the Common Council shall be held on the third Monday of each month at **6:30 P.M.** at the Wisconsin Dells Municipal Building. The April meeting will be held on the third Tuesday of the month before the reorganizational meeting.

(2) Special Meetings. Special meetings may be called by the Mayor by giving written notice to each member delivered personally or left at his or her usual abode at least 6 hours before the meeting. In cases where the Mayor is absent from the City, a special meeting may be called by the President of the Common Council or by four members of the Common Council, by giving written notice to each member delivered personally or left at his or her usual abode at least 6 hours before the meeting. A Special Meeting shall be deemed a regular meeting for the purpose of transacting any business that may be permitted by law.

(3) Calling Meeting to Order. The Mayor shall take the chair at the time appointed for the council to meet and shall call the members to order. In the absence of the Mayor, the Council President shall call the members to order. In the absence of the Mayor and of the Council President, the City Clerk-Treasurer shall call the meeting to order for the purpose of electing a President Pro Tem to preside over the meeting. The Council President and the President Pro Tem may, when presiding over the meeting, be entitled to vote. The Council President and President Pro Tem, when presiding over a meeting, shall have the same veto power as the Mayor.

(4) Order of Business. At the regular meetings of the Common Council the order of business shall be as follows:

- (a) Mayor calls the meeting to order
- (b) Roll call & Verification of a quorum
- (c) Consent Agenda:
 - 1. Minutes of previous meeting
 - 2. Claims (Schedule of Bills Payable)
 - 3. Bartender (Operator) Licenses
 - 4. Other items routine in nature or having mutual agreement

- (d) Public hearings
- (e) Citizen appearances
- (f) Agenda items
- (g) Resolutions
- (h) Ordinances
- (i) Any other business to be brought before the Common Council for referral to committees or future meetings
- (j) Adjournment

2.05 FEES

From time to time, the Common Council may, by resolution, impose and revise the fees for permits and licenses issued by the City and other charges imposed by the City. Resolutions which impose or revise fees or charges shall first be approved by the Finance Committee of the Common Council.

ORDINANCES REVISING CHAPTER 2

- 12-08-76 A-3
- 02-22-82 A-89
- 09-18-86 A-169
- 06-21-90 A-260
- 10-15-90 A-268
- 11-19-90 A-274
- 12-16-91 A-304
- 06-19-95 A-367 Est. dock & ramp rates with Council
- 01-29-97 A-401 Common Council Committees reorganized 2.03, repeal 2.05
- 11-17-97 A-416 Creates provision for Schedule of Fees by resolution.
- 04-21-98 A-427 Rename Police & Fire to Police, Fire and Emergency Services Committee
- 02-04-99 A-437 Establish Wards 4 & 5
- 08-29-01 A-484 Restricting the Wards due to 2000 census. Created Ward 6. 2.02
- 06-30-04 A-555 Recreates Committee structure. 2.03(1)
- 06-30-04 A-556 Creates Ward 7 (due to Juneau Co. land annexation. 2.02(7)
- 06-23-07 A-618 Minor revisions to the Common Council meeting procedure. 2.04 (1-4)
- 06-29-11 A-703 Restricting changes to Wards 2 and 6. 2.02(2) & (6)
- 09-24-11 A-710 Creates Ward 8 (Sauk) & Ward 9 (Adams) due to redist. 2.02 (8) & (9)
- 12-21-13 A-737 Amends council meeting time from 7:30pm to 7:00pm. 2.04(1)
- 01-25-14 A-739 Corrects Adams Co. Wards after redistricting. 2.02
- 07-26-14 A-752 Adds 10th Ward in Sauk Co. due to annexation on Trout Rd. 2.02(10)(11)
- 08-22-15 A-776 Adds 11th Ward in Col. Co. due to a annexation-Southfork. 2.02(11)
- 11-30-18 A-836 Create 12th Ward in Col. Co. due to annexation from Town of Newport. 2.02(12)
- 04-21-20 A-854 Amends the start time of monthly Common Council meeting. 2.04(1)