## CITY OF WAUPUN COMMON COUNCIL

## **RESOLUTION NO. 08-18-20-02**

## RESOLUTION SUSPENDING WAUPUN COMMON COUNCIL RULES DURING THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH PANDEMIC

WHEREAS, in December 2019, a novel strain of coronavirus known as COVID-19 was detected, and COVID-19 has continued to spread throughout the world, including to the United States and the state of Wisconsin, and

WHEREAS, the federal government, state governments, and local governments are working together to contain the further spread of the disease and treat existing cases, and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the U. S. Department of Health & Human Services declared a public health emergency; on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic; and on July 26, 2020 the President's COVID-19 task force recommended that Wisconsin consider adopting a statewide face covering requirement due to the increasing number of confirmed COVID-19 cases; on July 30, 2020 the Governor of the State of Wisconsin issued Executive Order #82, declaring a public health emergency to combat the uncontrolled spread of COVID-19 throughout the State of Wisconsin, and also issued Emergency Order #1, requiring statewide face covering to protect persons throughout the State of Wisconsin from COVID-19, and

WHEREAS, the Waupun Common Council, on March 31, 2020, under the authority granted by Ordinance 2.07 passed Resolution No. 03-31-20-01 suspending the operation of Ordinance 2.02(2) to permit Waupun Common Council members and others to attend and conduct board and committee meetings remotely during the period of emergency, but on May 26, 2020 modified that resolution to reinstate in-person meetings of the Waupun Common Council after July 27, 2020, subject to additional terms stated in that resolution, and

WHEREAS, the City of Waupun has been working to protect the health and well-being of its residents from the spread of COVID-19 and to prepare for the impacts the disease is likely to have on the city, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that in accordance with Waupun City Ordinance 2.07, the Waupun Common Council Rules as outlined in City of Waupun Ordinance 2.02(2) are hereby suspended through August 31, 2020, except in the event that either Dodge or Fond du Lac Counties re-instate Phase One Safe Restart guidelines and recommendations for action, in which case this resolution shall remain in effect until Phase One is not in effect for either Dodge or Fond du Lac Counties.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Waupun Common Council members are hereby authorized to conduct and attend board and committee meetings remotely with all other meeting participants, including without limitation, remote roll-call, discussion and voting, and that the Waupun Common Council shall take all actions necessary to effectuate the same in compliance with all other applicable laws.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that Waupun Common Council shall comply with all applicable requirements for remote meetings as required under the Wisconsin Open Meetings law.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that until further affirmative resolution of the Common Council, Department Heads and other municipal employees are hereby authorized to conduct and attend board and committee meetings remotely, including without limitation, remote roll-call, discussion and voting, in compliance with all other applicable laws. During this period the Mayor or other presiding Officer shall have authority, on specific request, to permit Council Members or others to attend board and committee meetings remotely, including without limitation, remote roll-call, discussion and voting, subject to compliance with all applicable laws.

Adoption by Common Council August 18, 2020.

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