

ORDINANCE NO.: 5050

AN ORDINANCE to amend Section 2-422 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse regarding residency requirements for boards, commissions and committees.

THE COMMON COUNCIL of the City of La Crosse do ordain as follows:

SECTION I: Section 2-422 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2-422 – Residency requirements, boards, commissions, committees.

- (a) Except as otherwise provided herein, no person shall be appointed or elected to a City board, commission, committee or governing body unless such person is a resident of the City of La Crosse. Any such person so appointed or elected shall cease being a member of such board, commission, committee or governing body when such person is no longer a City resident.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided herein, in no event shall nonresidents of the City of La Crosse ~~constitute~~:
  - (1) ~~Constitute~~ More than one-third of the members of any such board, commission, committee or governing body; or
  - (2) ~~50 percent or more of the quorum~~ Serve as the chair or president of any board, commission, committee or governing body.
- (c) Subsection (a) and (b) of this section shall not apply to the following boards, commissions, committees and governing bodies:
  - (1) La Crosse Transit Utility Board in accordance with division 5 of this article.
  - (2) International Committee in accordance with division 9 of this article.
  - (3) Those boards, commissions, committees and governing bodies that permit non-City residents by Federal or State law; or by Common Council Resolution for an ad hoc committee which permits non-City residents due to their business or community affiliation.
  - (4) ~~Navy Reserve Center Memorial Oversight Committee in accordance with Resolutions No. 2006-07-024 and 2007-06-017.~~ La Crosse Center Board in accordance with division 8 of this article.
  - (5) Aviation Board in accordance with chapter 8, article II.
  - (6) Sustainable La Crosse Commission in accordance with division 10.
  - (7) Joint Board of Harbor Commissioners in accordance with Resolution No. 2007-05-019.
  - (8) La Crosse Historic and Cultural Museum Planning Task Force in accordance with Resolution No. 17-1748.
- (d) Notwithstanding the provisions contained herein, and in accordance with Resolution 2008-09-017, up to four members of the City of La Crosse Arts Board may be nonresidents. In the event the member from the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors lives outside the City limits, such member shall constitute one of the four nonresident members.

(e) Notwithstanding the provisions contained herein, the Animal Control Governing Board may consist of up to four nonresident members in compliance with the Animal Control Agreement ~~dated August 9, 2007, which expires on December 31, 2011, unless renewed at the Humane Society's option for an additional five years to then expire on December 31, 2016.~~

(f) Subsection (a) and (b) of this section shall not apply to city employees or other technical staff where their expertise is essential to the board, commission or committee.

SECTION II: Should any portion of this ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the article shall not be affected.

SECTION III: This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication.

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Timothy Kabat, Mayor

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Teri Lehrke, City Clerk

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