

WASHINGTON COUNTY, WISCONSIN

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VOTE

2020 ORDINANCE 1

AN ORDINANCE to amend Sections 15-29, 15-30, 15-31, 179-1, 179-2, 179-3, 179-4, 179-5, 179-6, 179-7, 179-8 and 179-10, relating to: Administrative Committee, Land Use and Planning Committee, Public Works Committee, Public Works Committee, Powers of Public Works Committee, Duties of Public Works Committee, Referrals to Public Works Committee, Options to Purchase, Sell and Transfer Park Lands, Park Regulations, Creation of Park District for County-owned Lands, and Land Use and Planning Committee.

The people of the County of Washington, represented in the Board of Supervisors, do ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 15-29A of the code is amended to read:

§ 15-29 Administrative Committee.

A. The Committee shall consist of five members. The duties of this Committee shall be:

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(17) To have charge of all County property and lands except that property which comes under the jurisdiction of the Public Works (Highway) and Human Services Committees, and to prepare the necessary budget requests therefor. County property jurisdiction and responsibilities are specified as follows:

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Committee	Responsibility	Notes
Land Use and Planning	County park lands	
	County park buildings	

SECTION 2. Section 15-30A and G of the code are amended to read:

§ 15-30 Land Use and Planning Committee.

The Committee shall consist of five members. The duties of this committee shall be:

A. The Committee shall serve as the standing committee for the following:

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(4) Administration and Parks Divisions and Golf Course.

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(12) Parks Commission

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1 G. The Land Use and Planning Committee shall serve as the County Parks Commission per
2 § 27.02, Wis. Stats., when it convenes with two additional members with the powers set
3 forth in § 27.019 and § 27.05, Wis. Stats. The two additional members shall be the County
4 Board Chairperson and the FSA Chairperson or their respective designees. The
5 Chairperson of the Land Use and Planning Committee shall serve as the Chair of the
6 County Parks Commission.

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8 **SECTION 3.** Section 15-31A, C and D of the code are amended to read:

9 **§ 15-31 Public Works Committee.**

10 The Committee shall consist of five members. The duties of this committee shall be:

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12 A. The Committee shall serve as the standing committee for the following:

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17 (5) Highway Committee.

18 (6) University of Wisconsin-Washington County (UWWC) (C-West Bend Rep).

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22 C. To review department requests for additional positions that increase the total number of the
23 requesting department's employees and result in an increase in the department's budget for
24 the following year and, if appropriate, recommend the same to the County Board.

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26 **SECTION 4.** Section 179-1A and B of the code are amended to read:

27 **§ 179-1 Land Use and Planning Committee Serving as County Park Commission.**

28 A. Establishment. The Land Use and Planning Committee is hereby established to serve as
29 the County Park Commission for Washington County, which Commission shall assume
30 the function and authority of a park commission created under § 27.02, Wis. Stats., when
31 the body is comprised of the membership as set forth in Chapter 15, Boards, Commissions
32 and Committees, Article II, Boards, Commissions and Committees Required or
33 Authorized by Statute, § 15-16, of the Code of Washington County.

34 B. Membership. The Park Commission shall consist of five members of the County Board, as
35 appointed by the County Board Chairperson according to § 59.13(1), Wis. Stats.

36 (1) When fulfilling the role of a parks commission pursuant to § 27.02, Wis. Stats., and
37 Chapter 15, Boards, Commissions and Committees, Article II, Boards,
38 Commissions and Committees Required or Authorized by Statute, § 15-16, of the
39 Code of Washington County, the membership shall consist of seven members
40 comprised of the Land Use and Planning Committee, the Chairperson of the County
41 Board and the FSA Chairperson or designee.

42 **SECTION 5.** Section 179-2A and B of the code are amended to read:

1 § 179-2 **Powers of Land Use and Planning Committee Serving as County Park Commission.**

2 A. For purposes of this chapter, the County Land Use and Planning Committee, when
3 fulfilling its role as a park commission, shall have such powers as may be necessary to
4 enable it to perform its functions and duties and promote rural and park planning per
5 § 27.019, Wis. Stats., and such powers shall include the following:

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7 (7) The Chairperson of the Land Use and Planning Committee shall serve as
8 Chairperson of the County Parks Commission as described in Chapter 15, Boards,
9 Commissions and Committees, Article II, Boards, Commissions and Committees
10 Required or Authorized by Statute, § 15-16.

11 B. When fulfilling the role of Parks Commission, the Land Use and Planning Committee shall
12 have all additional powers and duties granted or assigned by the Wisconsin Statutes to
13 County park commissions and county rural planning committees; and any amendments
14 thereto are hereby granted or assigned to the Commission; and such statutes are hereby
15 adopted by reference.

16 **SECTION 6.** Section 179-3 of the code is amended to read:

17 § 179-3 **Duties of Land Use and Planning Committee.**

18 The Land Use and Planning Committee shall have the following functions and duties:

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20 **SECTION 7.** Section 179-4A and B of the code are amended to read:

21 § 179-4 **Referrals to Land Use and Planning Committee.**

22 The County Board or other public body or officer of the County having final authority thereon
23 shall refer to the Land Use and Planning Committee, for its consideration and report before final
24 action is taken, the following matters:
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26 A. All rural planning duties assigned by § 27.019(7), Wis. Stats.

27 B. All changes and amendments to the County's park and open space plan, a County park
28 system of street and highway plan, street and highway map ordinances.

29 **SECTION 8.** Section 179-5 of the code is amended to read:

30 § 179-5 **Options to purchase, sell and transfer park lands.**

31 The County Land Use and Planning Committee, when serving as a parks commission, is authorized
32 to negotiate and enter into options to purchase lands for park purposes consistent with the
33 comprehensive County park system and County parks and open space plan, and sell or transfer
34 park property; provided, however, that the exercise of any such option and the ultimate purchase,
35 sale or transfer of such park lands shall be subject to County Board consent and approval.

36 **SECTION 9.** Section 179-7B and C of the code are amended to read:

1 § 179-7 **Park regulations.**

2 B. Unlawful conduct. It shall be unlawful for any person to commit any of the following acts
3 in or upon any public grounds in Washington County:

4 (6) Firearms. Except as authorized by law or regulation, to carry, keep or use any
5 firearm, bow and arrow, slingshot, trap, gun or other shooting device upon such
6 public grounds. This prohibition does not apply to special archery events permitted
7 or authorized by the Planning and Parks Department or to forestry management
8 hunting seasons approved by the Land Use and Planning Committee.

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12 (13) Posted rules. To fail, refuse or neglect to obey the regularly posted rules and
13 regulations of the Land Use and Planning Committee or Washington County Board
14 of Supervisors for the use or enjoyment of any facilities upon such public grounds.

15 C. Reservations. Groups may reserve dates to use certain park facilities and areas according
16 to the following:

17 (3) Use charges shall be as determined by the Land Use and Planning Committee.

18 **SECTION 10.** Section 179-8D of the code is amended to read:

19 § 179-8 **Creation of park district for County-owned lands.**

20 D. Park District standards.

21 (4) The Department may petition the Land Use and Planning Committee to add
22 permitted uses under Subsection **D(2)** for any use not listed as permitted or
23 prohibited.

24 **SECTION 11.** Section 179-10D of the code is amended to read:

25 § 179-10 **Land Use and Planning Committee.**

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27 D. Powers and Duties. For purposes of this chapter, the County Land Use and Planning
28 Committee shall have such powers and duties as may be necessary to enable it to perform
29 its functions, which shall include the following:

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31 (3) To serve as the standing committee for all divisions of the Planning and Parks
32 Department, Register of Deeds and UW Extension.

33 **SECTION 12. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This ordinance shall become effective upon
34 passage by the Board of Supervisors, County Executive and publication as provided by law.

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2 **SECTION 13. SUMMARY.** Ordinance amendment moving the Parks Division and
3 Parks Commission from reporting to the Public Works Committee to the Land Use and Planning
4 Committee.
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8 VOTE REQUIREMENT FOR PASSAGE: Majority
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10 Approved as to form: Introduced by members of the EXECUTIVE
11 (signed by Bradley S. Stern) COMMITTEE as filed with the County Clerk.

12 Bradley S. Stern, County Attorney

13 Dated _____ (signed by Donald A. Kriefall)

14 Donald A. Kriefall, Chairperson

15 Approved: Considered 6/10/2020

16 (signed by Josh Schoemann) Adopted 6/10/2020

17 Josh Schoemann, County Executive Ayes 25 Noes 0 Absent 1

18 Veto Voice Vote _____

19 See attached for objection(s) Countersigned:

20 (signed by Donald A. Kriefall)

21 Donald A. Kriefall, County Board Chairperson

22 (No fiscal impact.)