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**CITY OF TWO RIVERS
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
Thursday, January 16, 2020
City Hall – 3rd Floor Committee Room – 6:00PM
Special Meeting**

I. CALL TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

II. ROLL CALL BY CITY CLERK

III. CITY COUNCIL - FORMAL ITEMS

- A. Resolution to Petition the Wisconsin Elections Commission for Permission to Use Paper Ballots in the February 2020 Primary Election

Recommended Action:

Motion to waive reading and adopt the Resolution

- B. Resolution to Combine Wards for Voting Purposes

Recommended Action:

Motion to waive reading and adopt the Resolution

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Please note, upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals through appropriate aids and services. For additional information or to request this service, please contact the Office of the City Manager by calling 793-5532.

It is possible that members of and possibly a quorum of governmental bodies of the municipality may be in attendance at the above stated meeting to gather information; no action will be taken by any governmental body at the above-stated meeting other than the governmental body specifically referred to above in this notice.



**RESOLUTION TO PETITION THE WISCONSIN ELECTIONS COMMISSION FOR
PERMISSION TO USE PAPER BALLOTS IN FEBRUARY 18, 2020
PRIMARY ELECTION**

WHEREAS, the Two Rivers City Clerk and the Manitowoc County Clerk believes that it would be desirable for the City of Two Rivers to use paper ballots for the February 18, 2020 primary election, as the cost of programming the voting machines for that primary will be significant and voter turnout is expected to be relatively low; and

WHEREAS, Section 5.40(5m) of the Wisconsin Statutes provides that the governing body of a municipality may petition the Wisconsin Election Commission for permission to use paper ballots and voting booths for a specific election and the Wisconsin Election Commission is authorized by that statute to grant such a request; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is appropriate that paper ballots be used in the February 18, 2020 primary election as a cost-saving device, and that the use of paper ballots will not impair the voting rights of any person choosing to vote in that primary election and will not unduly burden those who will be involved in counting votes and assuring the primary election is appropriately conducted in accordance with the law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Two Rivers, Wisconsin as follows:

1. That the City Council hereby petitions the Wisconsin Election Commission pursuant to Wis. Stat. Sec. 5.40(5m) to grant permission to the City of Two Rivers to use paper ballots and voting booths for the February 18, 2020 primary election, for the reasons stated above;
2. That the City Clerk is hereby authorized to communicate this petition to the Wisconsin Election Commission and to provide it with a copy of this Resolution, or a certified copy of the Resolution if required by the Commission, and take such other steps as are necessary to assure that the City of Two Rivers will hold the February 18, 2020 primary election through the use of paper ballots and voting booths, if permission for the same is granted by the Wisconsin Election Commission.

Passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Two Rivers, Wisconsin on the 16th day of January, 2020.

Councilmember

Gregory E. Buckley
City Manager



**CITY OF TWO RIVERS
RESOLUTION TO COMBINE WARDS FOR VOTING PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Statutes, Section 5.15, requires all cities, villages, and towns with a population of 1,000 or more to establish municipal wards based on the results of the decennial census; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Statute 5.15 6(b) allows the governing body of any municipality to combine 2 or more wards for voting purposes to use a common polling place; and

WHEREAS, for the February 18, 2020 primary election, it is more economical for the City of Two Rivers to have one poll location open than four;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that for the February 18, 2020 Primary, Wards 1&2, 3&4, 5&6 and 7&8 in the City of Two Rivers designate Two Rivers City Hall as the common poll location

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon passage, a copy of this resolution shall be filed with the City clerk, who shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the County Clerk within five days of its adoption and that this resolution shall remain in effect only for the February 18, 2020 primary election

Dated this 16th day of January, 2020.

Councilmember

Gregory E. Buckley
City Manager

Attachment: Resolution Combine wards - common poll location (2379 : Combine Wards for Voting Purposes)