

COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF WASHBURN, WISCONSIN

Ordinance No. 11-007
A CHARTER ORDINANCE
Title 2 Government and Administration

WHEREAS Section 5.15 of the Wisconsin Statutes requires cities to readjust their ward boundaries after each decennial federal census, and that for cities under 10,000 population, each ward shall contain not less than 300 nor more than 1,000 inhabitants; and

WHEREAS according to the 2010 federal census the population of the City of Washburn is 2117 inhabitants;

NOW THEREFORE, the Common Council of the City of Washburn, Wisconsin, **does hereby ordain** as follows:

Section I. Sections Recreated

Section 2-1-6 **WARDS (a) – (e)** is hereby repealed and recreated:

Section 2-2-2 **ALDERPERSONS (a) ELECTION, TERM, NUMBER** is hereby repealed and recreated:

The entire City of Washburn shall be divided into four (4) Wards, which shall be numbered Wards One (1) through Four (4) and described as follows. Wherever a Street or Avenue is designated as the boundary of a Ward, it is the center-line of that Street or Avenue that shall be the boundary.

Ward #1

Bounded on the East by the corporate limits; bounded on the South by Lake Superior; westerly along Lake Superior to the mid-point of the south end of the commercial dock; thence in a straight line to the intersection of the termini of Central Avenue and 1st Avenue East; north on 1st Avenue East to Washington Avenue; North on Washington Avenue to the corporate limits. The population of Ward #1 is 742.

Ward #2

Commencing at the mid-point of the south end of the commercial dock; thence in a straight line to the intersection of the termini of Central Avenue and 1st Avenue East; north on 1st Avenue East to Washington Avenue; south to West 3rd Street; then west to 4th Avenue West; then south to West Holman Lakeview Drive; then west to 6th Avenue West; then south on 6th Avenue West to Lake Drive; then west on Lake Drive to platted 7th Avenue West; then south to Lake Superior. The population of Ward #2 is 314.

Ward #3

Commencing at the intersection of Washington Avenue and West 5th Street; south on Washington Avenue to West 3rd Street; west to 4th Avenue West; south to West Holman Lakeview Drive; west to 6th Avenue West; north to West Omaha Street; west to 8th Avenue West; north to West 5th Street; east to the point of beginning at the intersection of Washington Avenue. The population of Ward #3 is 383.

Ward #4

Bounded on the south, west, and north by the corporate limits; south from the north corporate limits on Washington Avenue to West 5th Street; west to 8th Avenue West; south to West Omaha Street; east to 6th Avenue West; south to Lake Drive; west to platted 7th Avenue West; south to Lake Superior; and west along the Lake Superior shore to the corporate limits. The population of Ward #4 is 678.

FURTHER, Section 62.08(1) Wis. Stats., requires cities to readjust their aldermanic districts after readjusting their wards under Sec. 5.15, so that such districts are as compact in area as possible and contain, as nearly as practicable by combining contiguous full wards, an equal number of inhabitants according to the most recent decennial federal census of population.

The entire City of Washburn shall be divided into three (3) Aldermanic Districts numbered Districts One (1) through Three (3); comprised of four (4) Wards, which shall be numbered Wards One (1) through Four (4).

The aldermanic districts defined below comply with the requirement of Sec. 62.08(1), Wis. Stats., in that they contain, as nearly as practicable, an equal number of inhabitants in that according to the 2010 federal census. District populations are as follows:

District #1 - Ward #1	Population 742
District #2 - Ward #2 and Ward #3	Population 697
District #3 - Ward #4	Population 678

District #1 to be represented by two (2) Alderpersons elected by the electors thereof for a two-year staggered term of office so that one Alderperson shall be elected in both the odd and even numbered years.

District #2 to be represented by two (2) Alderpersons elected by the electors thereof for a two-year staggered term of office so that one Alderperson shall be elected in both the odd and even numbered years.

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District #3 to be represented by two (2) Alderpersons elected by the electors thereof for a two-year staggered term of office so that one Alderperson shall be elected in both the odd and even numbered years.

FURTHER, the City has created a seat on its Common Council filled by an Alderperson elected at large by all electors of the City of Washburn for a two-year term of office in the odd numbered years.

All Elections to be conducted at the Washburn's City Hall Building designated as the Polling Place.

AND FURTHER, pursuant to Sec. 66.0101(4), Wis. Stats., the City hereby elects that the portion of Sec. 62.08(1), Wis. Stats., of the Statutes requiring Aldermanic Districts to be comprised of all Wards shall not apply to the City of Washburn.

The provisions of the Ordinance of Incorporation of the City of Washburn and Charter Ordinance #01/67:2-1-6/2-2-2-2, adopted September, 2001, effective January 2002, and any other provisions of any charter, charter ordinance, ordinance, or resolution of the City of Washburn defining wards, aldermanic districts, or the number of Alderpersons to be elected therefrom, are hereby repealed and replaced.

Section II. Severability

If any provision of this Ordinance is invalid or unconstitutional or if the application of this Ordinance to any person or circumstance is invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the other provisions or applications of this Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid or unconstitutional provisions or applications.

Section III. Effective Date

This is a Charter Ordinance and shall take effect January, 2012.

City of Washburn

Mayor

City Clerk-Treasurer

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Instrument drafted by City Clerk-Treasurer & City Attorney