

City of West Allis

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Final Action:

Sponsor(s): Advisory Committee

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Ordinance to Create Section 3.05(33) of the West Allis Municipal Code Relating to Attending meetings through videoconferencing or teleconferencing

Whereas, the improvement of technology allows officials to appear via telephone or video conferencing and participate in the same or similar manner as if they were physically present; and

Whereas, it may be advantages under appropriate circumstances for officials from the council, as well as any commission, commission, or board to appear for a meeting through the use of technology instead of appearing in person;

Now, therefore, the Common Council of the City of West Allis, Milwaukee County, do ordain as follows:

Part 1. Code Revision

Section 3.05(33) of the Municipal Code of the City of West Allis is created to read as follows:

- 3.05 Rules of Procedure for Common Council.
- (33) Appearing Remotely. With the consent of the presiding officer of any governmental body subject to open meetings laws, an official may attend a meeting of that governmental body using telephonic or video conferencing. The type of technology used shall display or project the official's voice and image, if any, so any person who wishes to observe the proceedings is reasonably able to do so. The official appearing under this provision may participate to the same extent as though the official was appearing in person.

Part 2. Inconsistent Law Repealed

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Part 3. Severability

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

PASSED	MAR 1 7 2020	APPROVED	3/25/20

Steven A. Braatz, Jr., City Clerk

Dan Devine, Mayor