

**RESOLUTION TO
WITHDRAW FROM THE WI PUBLIC EMPLOYER'S
GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM**

**SPONSOR: MAYOR MCFARLAND
FROM: FINANCE COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, the premium increases by Wisconsin for the Public Employer's Group Health Insurance Program (ETF) have continued to rise in excess of ten percent annually; and,

WHEREAS, the ETF plan has removed assignment of any Tier 1 (low cost) carriers for Jefferson County in 2025; and,

WHEREAS, city staff have sought alternate sources of a similar group health plan design; and,

WHEREAS, an alternate solution with a similar plan design has been found to be less costly over a three-year period than the Jefferson County ETF options.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATERTOWN, WISCONSIN:

Pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 40.51 (7), the City of Watertown (the "City") withdraws from participation in the Wisconsin Public Employers' Group Health Insurance Program effective January 1, 2025.

The City understands that coverage will terminate for all insured participants, including annuitants and any participants who are on continuation of coverage. The City further understands that we may not reapply for participation in the Wisconsin Public Employers' Group Health Insurance Program for three years and must undergo underwriting to rejoin, which may result in a surcharge being assessed.

That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and adoption.

	YES	NO
DAVIS		
LAMPE		
BOARD		
BARTZ		
BLANKE		
SMITH		
SCHMID		
WETZEL		
MOLDENHAUER		
MAYOR MCFARLAND		
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CITY CLERK

APPROVED September 17, 2024

MAYOR