DRAFT ORDINANCE TO TO REGULATE BOATING UPON THE ROCK RIVER AND PRESCRIBING PENALITIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF OF THE CITY OF WATERTOWN GENERAL ORDINANCES

SPONSOR: ALDERPERSON DANA DAVIS FROM: PUBLIC SAFETY AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin is removing and replacing the Main Street (Cole) Bridge in Watertown, WI in 2024; and,

WHEREAS, an ordinance placing navigational waterway markers/aids in the Rock River is required by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR); and,

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATERTOWN DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Intent: The intent of this ordinance is to provide safe and healthful conditions for the enjoyment of aquatic recreation consistent with public rights and interests and the capability of the water resources.

SECTION 2. Creation of Section 247-5(D): Section 247-5 (D) is hereby created to read as follows:

247-5 (D) Prohibited Acts Boating Prohibition Area: No person shall operate a boat - motorboat and/or nonmotorized boat - as defined in s. 30.50(6), Wis. Stats., and/or s. 30.50(7), Wis. Stats., on the Rock River between the upstream and downstream navigational waterway markers of the Main Street (Cole) bridge. Said navigational waterway markers located at GPS coordinates 43.195657, -88.724676 upstream and GPS coordinates 43.193239, -88725351 downstream of the Main Street (Cole) bridge.

SECTION 3. Effective Date: This ordinance shall take effect and be in force the day after its passage and publication.

DATE:	May 21, 2024		May 21, 2024	
READING:	1ST		2ND	
	YES	NO	YES	NO
DAVIS				
LAMPE				
BOARD				
BARTZ				

BLANKE					
SMITH			_		
SCHMID					MAYOR
WETZEL					
MOLDENHAUER					
MAYOR MCFARLAND					
TOTAL					