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City of Whitewater
312 West Whitewater Street
Whitewater, WI 53190

Re: City of Whitewater | Draft Ordinance Allowing Removal of Board, Committee, & Commission Members

To Whom It May Concern:

I have reviewed your prior email regarding the City's desire to craft an ordinance allowing for the removal of all board, committee, and commission members working for the City through a majority vote of the common council and the city manager.

I have crafted a new ordinance, 2.12.013, to reflect this desire and parallel the removal clause found in ordinance 2.48.080 (the Industrial Development Commission removal clause). Please let me know if there are any other desires or modifications that you would like to be reflected in 2.12.013.

The draft ordinance can be found on the next page.

2.12.013 – Removal of board, committee, and commission members

The city manager and the common council, by a majority vote, shall have the authority to remove any member of a city board, committee, or commission from office for just cause when the best interests of the city shall be served thereby. It shall be considered just cause for the removal of a board, committee, or commission member if that member fails to attend two consecutive regular or special meetings with unexcused absences. Members may be excused from attendance of any meeting only by the city manager. Members of a city board, committee, or commission may also be removed for malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance in office at the discretion of the city manager.

Sincerely,



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