



Council Agenda Item

Meeting Date: June 18, 2024

Agenda Item: Good Governance Manual

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BACKGROUND

(Enter the who, what when, where, why)

1. At the May 28, 2024, Common Council meeting, the Council reviewed the Good Governance Manual and proposed several additions. These included guidelines on the use of electronics during meetings, improved communication protocols, and clarification on how to handle emerging issues within the body.
2. The City Attorney reviewed the proposed changes and made further revisions, all of which are included in the attached document.

PREVIOUS ACTIONS – COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

(Dates, committees, action taken)

October 5, 2010 – Whitewater Common Council passed the Transparency Ordinance.

April 17, 2018 – Whitewater Common Council passed the Good Governance Manual. Minor updates passed on June 8, 2020.

November 7, 2023 – Whitewater Common Council provided a statement on a self-governance plan.

May 28, 2024 – Whitewater Common Council reviewed the Good Governance Manual

FINANCIAL IMPACT

(If none, state N/A)

N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that Common Council approve the changes to the Good Governance Manual and direct staff to distribute copies to all Council, Board and Commission members.

ATTACHMENT(S) INCLUDED

(If none, state N/A)

1. Good Governance Manual – revised 5/28/24