Chapter 2.50 - COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND CABLE TV COMMISSION

2.50.010 - Established.

There is hereby established a community involvement and cable tv commission for the city of Whitewater which shall have the powers granted in this chapter.

(Ord. No. 1935A, § 1, 4-6-2017)

2.50.020 - Assigned staff.

The public relations and communications manager shall be the assigned staff person to the commission.

(Ord. No. 1935A, § 1, 4-6-2017)

• 2.50.030 - Membership and officers.

The commission shall consist of nine members. One member shall be a member of the city council (one-year term appointed at the city council organizational meeting in April). Eight members shall be non-council member citizen members (two-year term appointed by the city under the procedures set forth in Section 2.12.011). It shall be a goal of the city to appoint one member from each of the following groups: the University of Whitewater Student Government; a University of Wisconsin-Whitewater student; a Whitewater Chamber of Commerce member; and a Seniors in the Park member. There shall be no term limits for citizen members.

A chairperson and vice-chairperson shall be elected for a term of one year at the committee's first meeting which takes place after the third Tuesday of April each year.

(Ord. No. 1935A, § 1, 4-6-2017)

2.50.040 - Meetings.

The commission shall meet quarterly.

(Ord. No. 1935A, § 1, 4-6-2017)

2.50.050 - Powers and duties.

The commission shall have the following powers and duties:

Advise the city of Whitewater on coordinated community outreach and engagement activities. Its goals are to provide advice on priorities, policies and strategies related to equitable civic engagement and public participation in city decision making processes. This shall include the review of initiatives, strategies and proposals brought forth by the city as well as ones identified by the commission.

The commission shall attempt to develop maximum community involvement in the use of cable television and other media for cultural, educational, health, social service, civic, community, and other nonprofit purposes and will assist in the administration of the public access channel in the city of Whitewater.

The commission shall also provide feedback in the development of city departments' community involvement plans with focus on implementing more equitable engagement strategies and identifying new ways to increase civic participation in city processes. This shall include assisting in the development and review of the city of Whitewater Comprehensive Community Engagement Plan.

This commission shall also be involved in the recruitment of the public relations and communication manager position.