



DATE: January 24, 2020
TO: Committee of the Whole
FROM: Kathleen M. McDaniel, City Attorney
RE: Proposed Term Limits Ordinance

This ordinance is brought forward to the Committee of the Whole at the request of Alderperson Lee Kummer, District 5. This draft ordinance was initially prepared in 2012 at the request of a former alderperson who wished to discuss term limits. I have revised the dates, but made no other changes to the 2012 ordinance. All of the proposed term limits in this draft ordinance are subject to debate and change by Council and not based on any Wisconsin statute. In other words, you are free to establish any term limits you see fit.

An informal survey of Wisconsin City Attorneys informs me that most communities do not have term limits for Mayor or Alderperson. I received responses from the following communities:

Term Limits	No Term Limits	
Green Bay (12 consecutive years)	Muskego	Wisconsin Rapids
	West Allis	Madison
	Brookfield	Bayside
	Kenosha	Whitefish Bay
	Wales	Racine
	Beloit	Fitchburg
	Milwaukee	De Pere
	Janesville	Wauwatosa
	Oshkosh	