

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 25 (2006/07)

Re: Reducing County Board Size

WHEREAS, on February 17, 2004, by the enactment of Ordinance No. 19 (2003/04), the County Board charged the Executive Committee to do a special study analyzing the County Board Committee structure and the County Board size and to submit a report of its findings and recommendations by December 31, 2006, and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 19 (2003/04) stated that the County Board should be reduced in size ranging from 25 to 17, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to that responsibility, the Executive Committee held several meetings devoted to the issue and solicited input from other County Supervisors through the Committee Chair meeting process, through the Leadership Forum, and through individual meetings and discussions, and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee sought guidance and insight through dialogue with other Supervisors from other counties who shared their experience, and

WHEREAS, based on a review of the information that was gathered, the Executive Committee issued a report on December 27, 2006, concluding that it would be beneficial to reduce the number of standing Committees from ten to seven following the 2008 County Board election and beneficial to reduce the number of supervisory districts from 34 to 25-29 following the 2010 decennial census, and

WHEREAS, reducing the County Board from 34 to 25 is consistent with the County Board's previous guidance, and also consistent with the average County Board size statewide, and

WHEREAS, reducing the number of Supervisors from 34 to 25 will provide for a modest reduction in operational expense as well as some operational efficiencies while at the same time will assure the public that the fundamental values of diversity and experience and a rational relationship to City of Sheboygan aldermanic district lines will be preserved, and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance is intended to implement the County Board size reduction conclusions of the report;

NOW, THEREFORE, the County Board of Supervisors of the County of Sheboygan does ordain as follows:

Section 1. **Amending Code**. The Sheboygan County Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by creating 1.01(d) to read as follows:

1.01(d) **County Board Size After 2010 Census**. Commencing with the first election held after the 2010 decennial census, the Board of Supervisors for Sheboygan County shall consist of twenty-five (25) Supervisors, each to be elected from a Supervisory district to be comprised of boundaries established pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 59.10(3)(b).

Section 2. **Effective Date.** The herein Ordinance shall take effect upon enactment and publication.

Respectfully submitted this 20th day of March, 2007.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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