

ORDINANCE
ADOPT AMENDMENTS TO THE 2019 CITY OF WATERTOWN COMPREHENSIVE
PLAN

SPONSOR: MAYOR MCFARLAND
FROM: PLAN COMMISSION WITH POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION

The Common Council of the City of Watertown, Wisconsin, does ordain as follows:

WHEREAS, pursuant to sections 62.23(2) and (3) of Wisconsin Statutes, the City of Watertown is authorized to prepare and adopt a comprehensive plan as defined in sections 66.1001(1)(a) and 66.1001(2) of the Wisconsin Statutes; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted its comprehensive plan in 2019 entitled "City of Watertown Comprehensive Plan"; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Watertown Comprehensive Plan is silent as to the frequency or number of permissible amendments to the City of Watertown Comprehensive Plan; and,

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Comprehensive Planning law requires that a city follow the same administrative process for plan amendment adoption defined under §66.1001(4) of the Wisconsin Statutes; and,

WHEREAS, as part of the City's original adoption of a comprehensive plan the Common Council adopted and has since followed written procedures designed to foster public participation in every stage of the preparation of a comprehensive plan as required by §66.1001(4)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes; and,

WHEREAS, the Plan Commission of the City of Watertown, by a majority vote of the entire Commission recorded in its official minutes, has positively recommended to the Common Council the adoption of a proposed amendment to change the future land use category shown for 1110 S. Tenth Street and 1111 S. Tenth Street (Exhibit "A") from "Planned Mixed Use" to "Mixed Industrial" on the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan;

WHEREAS, the Plan Commission of the City of Watertown, by a majority vote of the entire Commission recorded in its official minutes, has positively recommended to the Common Council the adoption of a proposed amendment to change the text in Figure 7.7 of the Comprehensive Plan to accurately address the relationship between Future Land Use Designations and Overlay Zoning Districts (Exhibit "C").

WHEREAS, the Plan Commission of the City of Watertown has ensured the amendments are in full compliance with the City of Watertown Comprehensive Plan; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Watertown has, in compliance with the requirements of section 66.1001(4)(d) of the Wisconsin Statutes, provided opportunities for public involvement per its adopted public participation plan; and,

WHEREAS, the Common Council held a public hearing on the proposed amendments on January 16, 2024, considered the public comments made and the recommendations of the Plan Commission and staff, and has determined to approve the recommended amendments;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Common Council of Watertown, Wisconsin, does ordain that the proposed amendments are hereby adopted as amendments to the City's Comprehensive Plan pursuant to section 66.1001(4)(c) of Wisconsin Statutes; and,

That all ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed; and, in the event any section, subsection, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this ordinance.

That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force the day after its passage and publication.

Adopted February 6, 2024

Signed – Megan Dunneisen – City Clerk

Approved February 6, 2024

Signed – Emily McFarland – Mayor

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