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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2-29 OF CHAPTER 2 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF APPLETON, RELATING ALDERPERSON ABSENCE; PARTICIPATION ELECTRONICALLY.

(6/16/2021)

The Common Council of the City of Appleton does ordain as follows:

**Section 1:** That Section 2-29 of Chapter 2 of the Municipal Code of the City of Appleton, relating to alderperson absence; participation electronically, is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 2-29. ~~Alderperson absence; participation electronically~~Remote attendance at meetings.**

(a) Remote attendance permitted. A member of a city governmental body, as defined in Wis. Stats. Sec. 19.82(1), may appear at a meeting by telephone, video conference or other remote method of participation when appropriate equipment is available and subject to supplemental rules adopted by the Common Council. ~~An alderperson, who is a qualified individual with a disability as defined in s. 35.104, Code of Federal Regulations, Title 28, Chapter 1, Section 3, unable to appear in person at a meeting of the Common Council may request in writing or by email at least twenty four (24) hours in advance of the meeting the written or emailed permission from the President of the Common Council to participate in the meeting electronically. The participation by said alderperson electronically shall be permitted in cases where extreme temperatures would negatively impact adaptive equipment used by the person either on their person or as a mode of transportation; or, during times when a national or state public health emergency is in effect and attending a public meeting would place the alderperson's health at risk. An alderperson's appearance electronically must be noted in the meeting minutes.~~ Electronic participation must occur in the meeting room so that the physically absent member can hear and can be heard by all those who are present. ~~An alderperson~~A member appearing electronically shall be entitled to participate and vote to the fullest extent possible.

(b) Exception. Notwithstanding paragraph (a) above, ~~an alderperson~~a member participating electronically in a fact finding hearing shall not vote on any matter that may require observation of any part of the proceeding, including the demeanor of a witness or viewing exhibits not previously provided.

(c) Quorum. An alderperson~~A member~~ participating electronically shall ~~not~~ count towards a quorum.

**Section 2:** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication.

Dated: June 16, 2021

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Jacob A. Woodford, Mayor

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Kami Lynch, City Clerk