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AMENDING CHAPTER 7 OF THE DANE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES,
REGARDING ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The County Board of Supervisors of the County of Dane does ordain as follows:

ARTICLE 1. Unless otherwise expressly stated herein, all references to section and chapter numbers are to those of the Dane County Code of Ordinances.

ARTICLE 2. Section 7.02(1) is amended to read:

7.02 OFFICERS. (1)(a) At the first meeting after each regular election at which supervisors are elected for full terms, the biennial organizational meeting, the board shall elect a chairperson, two vice-chairpersons, and two sergeants-at arms by roll-call vote. These officers shall serve two-year terms or until their successors are elected and qualified. No supervisor shall be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office.

ARTICLE 3. Section 7.02(1)(b) is created to read:

(b) Nominations shall be made from the floor. A supervisor may second a nomination and give a seconding speech on behalf of the nominee. Nominees shall be granted an opportunity to speak to their qualifications for an office after the close of nominations.

ARTICLE 4. Section 7.02(1)(c) is created to read:

(c) Supervisors may question each nominee directly after the nominee has either exercised or waived their opportunity to address the board. Notwithstanding any other provision in this chapter, supervisors shall be limited to two questions per nominee.

[EXPLANATION: This amendment requires the board to use a roll-call vote for officer elections, permits seconding and nominee speeches, and authorizes supervisors to question each nominee before an election.]