

DRAFT 1 – UPDATED 2/19/26

(items (1) through (3) were accepted at 2/5/26 Exec Comm meeting)

PROPOSED BIENNIAL COUNTY BOARD RULE CHANGES FOR CHAPTER 7 (2026-2028 TERM) FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND ACTION

The County Board, via the Executive Committee, conducts a biennial review of Chapter 7 of the Dane County Ordinances (County Board Rules) ahead of the start of the subsequent board term. Below are the proposed changes gathered for the committee to discuss and identify, which should be forwarded to Corporation Counsel for drafting as 2026 OA-001 for County Board consideration at the Organizational Meeting on April 21, 2026.

Current proposed amendments to Chapter 7 as of 2/5/26:

1) 7.62 COUNTY BOARD MEETINGS; CONDUCT. (5) - strike the words "rise and"

2) AMEND 7.22(4)(c) SCHEDULING, NOTICE AND CONDUCT OF MEETINGS:

7.22(4)(c) Hybrid – simultaneously held in-person and virtually. Hybrid meetings shall be held at a physical location open to the public. ~~and a minimum of one board or committee member shall be physically present for the entire meeting.~~ The committee member chairing the meeting shall be physically present for the entire meeting. The Board Chair acting as an ex officio member pursuant to s. 7.03(6) may serve as the member physically present for the meeting.

3) AMEND 7.0001 and 7.22(5) DEFINITIONS; SCHEDULING, NOTICE AND CONDUCT OF MEETINGS:

Add the following new provisions regarding artificial intelligence use for meetings to Chapter 7 in the sections referenced below.

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

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

Section 7.0001(1) is renumbered to Section 7.0001(2).

Section 7.0001(1) is amended to read:

(1) Generative artificial intelligence technology means any software that creates content by simulating human learning, comprehension, problem solving, decision making, creativity and autonomy.

Section 7.22(5)(e) is created to read as follows:

(e) If a member does not attend a meeting in person or virtually, they may not use generative artificial intelligence such as automated meeting assistants or note takers in connection with that meeting.

ADDITIONS FOR CHAIR TO PROPOSE AT 2/19/26 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING:

- 4) Create 7:03(8): Provide administrative oversight of the board office including, but not limited to, oversight of board office operations and board office personnel, and develop and authorize the board office annual departmental budget request.
- 5) Amend 7.13 (1) as follows:
The executive committee shall have the duty and responsibility to:
 - (1) Act as the ~~supervisory committee for the county board office and policy oversight committee for the Office for Equity and Inclusion, and as the~~ budgetary and policy oversight committee for the office of the county board, the Tamara D. Grigsby civil rights department, and the offices of the county clerk and county executive, including all divisions in the county executive's office.
- 6) Rescind section 7.13(5) in its entirety.