SUB 1 to 2022 OA- 063

AMENDING CHAPTER 7 OF THE DANE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, REGARDING THE USE OF VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE DURING COUNTY BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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 7.22(4)(c) is amended to read as follows:
(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.

ARTICLE 3. Section 7.22(5)(a) is amended to read as follows:
(5) Open meetings shall be held in public buildings or other places, including virtual venues, accessible to the general public, including individuals with disabilities.
(a) Board and committee members are expected to attend meetings in person, unless a member cannot physically attend due to safety concerns, unforeseen circumstances, health reasons or the care of family members with health conditions.~~: a member must notify the chair prior to an in-person or hybrid meeting for an exception to attend virtually.~~

ARTICLE 4. Section 7.22(5)(c) is created to read as follows:
(c) Prior to each meeting, all members shall receive a hyperlink that will permit them to attend virtually.

ARTICLE 5. Section 7.22(5)(d) is created to read as follows:
(d) A member's virtual attendance shall not be noted on agendas or meeting minutes.

[EXPLANATION: This amendment clarifies the reasons why a member may choose to attend virtually and requires the physical presence of a board or committee member at a hybrid meeting.]