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**Title:** Amending Section 2.205 of the Madison General Ordinances to provide for a two (2) year term for the Common Council President and Common Council Vice President, and amending Section 33.13(1) of the Madison General Ordinances to make conforming changes to the terms of the Common Council Executive Committee.

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**Fiscal Note**

The proposed ordinance change increases the terms of the Common Council President and Common Council Vice President from one (1) year to two (2) years. There is no fiscal impact.

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**Body**

DRAFTER'S ANALYSIS: This ordinance increases the terms of the Common Council President and Common Council Vice President from one (1) year to two (2) years. There is nothing in Wis. Stat. § 62.09(8)(e) that prohibits, or restricts, the number of years an elected Common Council President and/or Common Council Vice President can serve in that elected position. The ordinance makes similar changes in the terms for the Common Council Executive Committee to be consistent with the changes for the President and Vice President.

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The Common Council of the City of Madison do hereby ordain as follows:

1. Section 2.205 entitled "President and Vice President" of the Madison General Ordinances is amended to read as follows:

**"2.205 PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT.**

The Common Council shall at its organizational meeting on the third Tuesday of April ~~of each~~ every two years following an election, elect one member of the Council to act as President of the Council and another member to act as Vice President of the ~~Common~~ Council, pursuant to the provision of Wis. Stat. § 62.09(8)(e). The President and Vice President shall each hold a two (2) year term. The Vice President of the Common Council shall act during the absence, inability or disability of the president. Among other duties of the Council President and the Vice President, are those set forth in Secs. 2.04 (Order of Business), 3.35(10)(b) (Ethics Board), 4.02(4) (Finance Committee), and 33.13 (Common Council Executive Committee), MGO. In the event of a vacancy in either of these positions, the Council shall fill the vacancy by election.

The Common Council President may, with the consent of the Common Council Executive Committee, appoint ad hoc subcommittees of the Common Council, to consist of 2-3 Council members, to address issues of a temporary nature. The subcommittees shall be subject to the rules for all ad hoc bodies set out in Sec. 33.01, MGO."

2. Subsection (1) entitled "Committee Composition" of Section 33.13 entitled "Common Council Executive Committee, Office and Chief Of Staff" of the Madison General Ordinances is amended to read as follows:

"(1) Committee Composition. There is hereby created a Common Council Executive Committee (CCEC) which shall consist of seven (7) members of the Common Council who shall serve for terms of ~~one~~ two years. The President of the Common Council shall serve as Chair. At the ~~annual~~ organizational meeting of the Common Council, held on the third Tuesday of April ~~of each year~~ every two years following an election, the President shall appoint five (5) other members of the Council to serve on the Executive Committee. The Vice President of the Council shall serve as the seventh member of the Committee, and the immediate past President shall, if s/he is a member of the Common Council, serve as an alternate member of the Committee. If the immediate past President is not a member of the Common Council, or has been elected to serve another term as President or a term as Vice President, the President of the Common Council shall appoint an alternate member. The alternate member may act with full power and authority when any other member is absent or refuses to act. The alternate member may participate in Committee discussion and serve on subcommittees at any time. The President may appoint any Council members to serve on a subcommittee."