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Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

The proposed resolution establishes in-person absentee voting locations for the November 2018 General Election. Hourly election aides will be hired for in-person absentee voting at a cost of \$45,000. Funding is included in the Clerk's Office 2018 Adopted Operating Budget. No additional City appropriation is required. **Title**

Establishing absentee voting locations for the 2018 General Election.

Body

WHEREAS, voting is both a right and the vital core of a healthy democracy; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the Madison City Clerk's Office is that each eligible voter will be able to cast a ballot and have that ballot counted; and

WHEREAS, absentee ballots cast in-person are less likely than ballots sent through the mail to be rejected at the polls due to missing signatures or witness addresses; and

WHEREAS, it is inequitable to limit in-person absentee voting to Madison residents who are able to obtain transportation downtown; and

WHEREAS, offering in-person absentee voting at multiple sites throughout the City may further racial equity for residents who have not historically been involved in the voting process;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Madison chooses to make in-person absentee voting more accessible and equitable by establishing the following in-person absentee voting locations for the November 2018 General Election:

- 1. City Clerk's Office, 210 Martin Luther King, Jr., Boulevard #103
- 2. Streets East, 4602 Sycamore Avenue
- 3. Central Library, 201 W. Mifflin Street
- 4. Alicia Ashman Library, 733 N. High Point Road
- 5. Goodman South Madison Library, 2222 S. Park Street
- 6. Hawthorne Library, 2707 E. Washington Avenue
- 7. Lakeview Library, 2845 N. Sherman Avenue
- 8. Meadowridge Library, 5726 Raymond Road
- 9. Monroe Street Library, 1705 Monroe Street
- 10. Pinney Library, 204 Cottage Grove Road
- 11. Sequoya Library, 4340 Tokay Boulevard
- 12. UW-Madison Union South, 1308 W. Dayton Street
- 13. UW-Madison Memorial Union, 800 Langdon Street
- 14. UW-Madison Student Activity Center, 333 E. Campus Mall
- 15. Edgewood College Wingra Commons in Predolin Hall
- 16. Edgewood College Phil's Cafeteria in Regina Hall