

Town of Sumpter Plan Commission Ordinance
Town of Sumpter, Sauk County, Wisconsin

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The Town Board of the Town of Sumpter, Sauk County, Wisconsin, does ordain as follows:

Section 1. Title

This ordinance is entitled the "Town of Sumpter Plan Commission Ordinance."

Section 2. Purpose

The purpose of this ordinance is to establish a Town of Sumpter Plan Commission and set forth its organization, powers and duties, to further the health, safety, welfare and wise use of resources for the benefit of current and future residents of the Town and affected neighboring jurisdictions, through the adoption and implementation of comprehensive planning with significant citizen involvement.

Section 3. Authority; Establishment (5-Member)

The Town Board of the Town of Sumpter has been authorized by the Town meeting under §60.11(2)(c), Wis. Stats., to exercise village powers and the Town has a population of less than 2,500, according to the most recent regular or special federal

census, §990.01(29), Wis. Stats. The Town Board hereby exercises village powers under §60.22(3), Wis. Stats., and establishes a five (5) member Plan Commission under §§60.62(4), 61.35 and 62.23, Wis. Stats. The Plan Commission shall be considered the “Town Planning Agency” under §§236.02(13) and 236.45, Wis. Stats., which authorize, but do not require, Town adoption of a subdivision or other land division ordinance.

Section 4. Membership (5-Member)

The Plan Commission consists of one (1) member of the Town Board, who may be the Town Board Chairperson, and four (4) citizen members, who are not otherwise Town officials, and who shall be persons of recognized experience and qualifications.

Section 5. Appointments

The Town Board Chairperson shall appoint the members of the Plan Commission and designate a Plan Commission Chairperson during the month of April to fill any expiring term. The Town Board Chairperson may appoint himself or herself or another Town Board member to the Plan Commission and may designate himself or herself, the other Town Board member, or a citizen member as Chairperson of the Plan Commission. In a year in which any Town Board member is elected at the spring election, any appointment or designation by the Town Board Chairperson shall be made after the election and qualification of the Town Board members elected. Any citizen appointed to the Plan Commission shall take and file the oath of office within five (5) days of notice of appointment, as provided under §§19.01 and 60.31, Wis. Stats.

Section 6. Terms of Office (With Citizen Member Terms Staggered)

The term of office for the Plan Commission Chairperson and each Commission member shall be for a period of 3 years, ending on April 30, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, except:

(1) Initial Terms. (5-member) The citizen members initially appointed to the Plan Commission shall be appointed for staggered terms.

(2) Town Board Member or Chairperson. The Plan Commission member who is a Town Board member or Town Board Chairperson, including a person designated the Plan Commission Chairperson, shall serve for a period of two (2) years, as allowed under § 66.0501(2), Wis. Stats., concurrent with his or her term on the Town Board, except an initial appointment made after April 30 shall be for a term that expires two (2) years from the previous April 30.

Section 7. Vacancies

A person who is appointed to fill a vacancy on the Plan Commission shall serve for the remainder of the term.