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A substitute ordinance establishing a board of health.

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This ordinance establishes a 9-member board of health appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the common council. The board of health shall:

1. Assure the enforcement of state public health statutes and public health rules of the state department of health services as prescribed for a level III local health department.
2. Assure the health department operates as a level III local health department as defined by the state.
3. Report to the state department of health services as required.
4. Meet at least quarterly.
5. Assess public health needs and advocate for the provision of reasonable and necessary public health services.
6. Develop policy and provide leadership that fosters local involvement and commitment, that emphasizes public health needs and that advocates for equitable distribution of public health resources and complementary private activities commensurate with public health needs.
7. Assure that measures are taken to provide an environment in which individuals can be healthy.

The board of health may adopt those regulations, for its own guidance and for the governance of the local health department, that it considers necessary to protect and improve public health. The regulations may be no less stringent than, and may not conflict with, state statutes and rules of the state department of health services.

Board members shall be city residents and reflect the diversity of the city. Among the members who are not elected officials, at least one member shall be a registered nurse and at least one shall be a physician. Board terms shall be staggered, with 3 members serving 2-year terms, 3 members serving 3-year terms and 3 members serving 5-year terms.

The board shall consist of:

1. One common council member.
2. Five persons with backgrounds in science and public health including formal training and appropriate education credentials in these areas. These board members shall be current members in good standing of the professional associations representing their respective

professions.

3. Three persons with backgrounds and appropriate education credentials in fields of the social determinants of health, including, but not limited to, law, law enforcement and commerce. These board members shall be current members in good standing of the professional associations representing their respective professions.

The Mayor and Common Council of the City of Milwaukee do ordain as follows:

Part.1: Section 59-3-3 to 4 of the code is renumbered 59-3-4 to 5.

Part 2. Section 59-3-3 of the code is created to read:

59-3. Administration.

3. BOARD OF HEALTH. a. Duties. A board of health shall be established to govern the health department. The board of health shall:

a-1. Assure the enforcement of state public health statutes and public health rules of the state department of health services as prescribed for a level III local health department.

a-2. Assure the health department operates as a level III local health department as defined by the state.

a-3. Report to the state department of health services as required.

a-4. Meet at least quarterly.

a-5. Assess public health needs and advocate for the provision of reasonable and necessary public health services.

a-6. Develop policy and provide leadership that fosters local involvement and commitment, that emphasizes public health needs and that advocates for equitable distribution of public health resources and complementary private activities commensurate with public health needs.

a-7. Assure that measures are taken to provide an environment in which individuals can be healthy.

b. Membership. Members of the board of health shall be appointed by the mayor and serve upon confirmation by the common council. Members shall be city residents and reflect the diversity of the city based on current U.S. census data. Among the members who are not elected officials, at least one member shall be a registered nurse and at least one shall be a physician, as defined in s. 448.01 (5), Wis. Stat. Board terms shall be staggered with 3 members serving 2-year terms, 3 members serving 3-year terms and 3 members serving 5-year terms. The board shall consist of:

b-1. One common council member.

b-2. Five persons with backgrounds in science and public health including formal training and appropriate education credentials in these areas. These board members shall be current members in good standing of the professional associations representing their respective professions.

b-3. Three persons with backgrounds and appropriate education credentials in fields of the social determinants of health, including, but not limited to, law, law enforcement and commerce. These board members shall be current members in good standing of the professional associations representing their respective professions.

c. Powers. A board of health may adopt those regulations, for its own guidance and for the governance of the local health department, that it considers necessary to protect and improve public health. The regulations may be no less stringent than, and may not conflict with, state statutes and rules of the state department of health services.

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