

Dear Mayor Merkes, Common Council and Residents of the 4th District,

After careful consideration and complete support from my wife, as of today, October 7, 2015 I fully resign my position as Menasha's 4th District Alderman.

Honorable conditions at the council level, and within City Hall, have deteriorated to the point where I no longer feel the residents throughout the city are being represented with good conscience and intelligent decisions. I feel Robert's Rules of Order protocol is continually violated during common council meetings which prohibit an Alderman's ability to fully represent their constituents.

These conditions within the council, and other tactics used to get results, are not worth the effect it has on my family and my health.

It was a pleasure representing the residents of the 4th District and thank them for their support over the years. I would also like to wish all residents of Menasha well.



Mark Langdon

Date 10/7/15

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 16, 2015
TO: Common Council
FROM: Debbie Galeazzi, City Clerk
SUBJECT: Aldermanic District Vacancy

The City is notified that Aldermanic District 4 is vacant. Generally we look to the statute to determine how to fill a vacancy:

1. Wisconsin Statute §17.23(1)(a), indicates the Common Council appoints a successor to serve until another person is elected and qualified. The Common Council has discretion to determine the specific appointment procedure it wished to follow
2. Under Wisconsin Statute §17.23(1)(a), given that the date of the vacancy is prior to December 1, unless otherwise ordered by the Common Council, a successor shall be elected for the residue of the unexpired term of April 5, 2016.

To summarize, under the default procedure set forth in Wisconsin Statute, the Common Council appoints a person to serve the vacant district until the next election, which will be April 5, 2016.

The City of Menasha does not have Council rules establishing how a vacant aldermanic district shall be filled. Previously the Council has advertised for the position, interviewed applicants, and appointed for the unexpired term.