



**March 23, 2020
For Immediate Release**

In-Person Absentee Voting Update due to Municipal Building Closures

The north shore communities of Bayside, Brown Deer, Fox Point, Glendale, River Hills, Shorewood, and Whitefish Bay have amended its in-person absentee or “early voting” at each Village and City Hall due to the increased COVID-19 exposure risk for the public, poll workers, and municipal employees.

Given our communities longstanding dedication to fair and equitable elections, the decision to modify early voting in the seven communities has been exceptionally difficult for all involved. However, given daily increases in COVID-19 cases on the local level, a critical balance must be achieved between access to voting and the health of election workers and the public.

Voters may still request an absentee ballot online at www.myvote.wi.gov. The current deadline to request a ballot by mail is 5:00 pm on Thursday, April 2nd. However, please request as soon as possible to ensure timely delivery.

Online voter registration, which had been previously suspended in Wisconsin, will resume online on March 24 through March 30 on www.myvote.wi.gov. If you are unable to register to vote or change your address using the online option or need to vote by appointment, please contact your respective Municipal Clerk’s Office at the phone numbers listed below.

Even during extraordinarily difficult times, residents are encouraged to exercise their constitutional right to vote in the upcoming election. Absentee voting by-mail is accessible to the public and safe. Absentee ballots are being mailed as requests are processed. www.myvote.wi.gov also allows you to track the status of your ballot, from when it is mailed from your municipal clerk to when it is returned to the municipal clerk.

Currently, Election Day, Tuesday, April 7, will also serve as an opportunity to cast a vote in person at the polls from 7:00 a m – 8:00 p.m.; however, to reiterate, the Wisconsin Elections Commission strongly recommends that anyone planning to vote should request to have an absentee ballot mailed to them as soon as possible.

Village of Bayside, (414) 206-3915

Village of River Hills (414) 352-8213

Village of Brown Deer, (414) 371-3000

Village of Shorewood, (414) 847-2700

Village of Fox Point, (414) 351-8900

Village of Whitefish Bay, (414) 962-6690

City of Glendale, (414) 228-1702

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