

Richland County Rules & Resolutions Committee

Agenda Item Cover

Agenda Item Name: Survey on County Board Size

Department	n/a (County Board)	Presented By:	Shaun Murphy-Lopez
Date of Meeting:	3/4/21	Action Needed:	Resolution
Disclosure:	Open Session	Authority:	Committee Structure, Section E
Date submitted:	3/1/21	Referred by:	None

Recommendation and/or action language:

Recommend a motion to postpone indefinitely the development of a survey asking County Board members to give input on their preference for the future size of the Richland County Board.

Background:

At the February meeting of the Rules and Resolutions Committee, the committee passed a motion to develop a survey asking County Board members to give input on their preference for the future size and organization of the Richland County Board. This survey was intended to fulfill the schedule adopted in Resolution No. 21-17, which established a timeline for drawing supervisory district boundaries during the 2021 redistricting process (creating new supervisory districts for the years 2022 through 2031).

Since the last meeting, the Wisconsin Counties Association has issued information indicating they will be proposing a revised timeline to the State Legislature and Governor, effectively delaying redistricting efforts for two years. Due to this potential change in schedule, the development of a survey regarding Board size is no longer timely. However, a survey regarding organization of the County Board may still be appropriate, as the County continues to transition to an Administrator form of government.

Depending upon developments with state statutes regarding redistricting, a repeal of Resolution No. 21-17 may also be in order at this or future committee meetings.

Attachments and References:

Attachment A: Legal Memorandum
Attachment B: Proposed WCA Timeline

Financial Review:

(please check one)

<input type="checkbox"/>	In adopted budget	Fund Number	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Apportionment needed	Requested Fund Number	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other funding Source		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No financial impact		

Approval:

Review:

Department Head

Administrator, or Elected Office (if applicable)
