

**ORDINANCE TO
TO REGULATE BOATING UPON THE ROCK RIVER AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES
FOR VIOLATION THEREOF OF THE CITY OF WATERTOWN GENERAL ORDINANCES**

**SPONSOR: ALDERPERSON DANA DAVIS
FROM: PUBLIC SAFETY AND WELFARE COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin is removing and replacing the Main Street (Cole) Bridge in Watertown, WI in 2024; and,

WHEREAS, an ordinance placing navigational waterway markers/aids in the Rock River is required by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR); and,

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATERTOWN DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Intent: The intent of this ordinance is to provide safe and healthful conditions for the enjoyment of aquatic recreation consistent with public rights and interests and the capability of the water resources.

SECTION 2. Creation of Section 247-5(D): Section 247-5 (D) is hereby created to read as follows:

247-5 (D) Prohibited Acts Boating Prohibition Area: No person shall operate a boat - motorboat and/or nonmotorized boat - as defined in s. 30.50(6), Wis. Stats., and/or s. 30.50(7), Wis. Stats., on the Rock River between the upstream and downstream navigational waterway markers of the Main Street (Cole) bridge. Said navigational waterway markers located at GPS coordinates 43.195657, -88.724676 upstream and GPS coordinates 43.193239, -88.725351 downstream of the Main Street (Cole) bridge.

SECTION 3. Effective Date: This ordinance shall take effect and be in force the day after its passage and publication.

Adopted May 21, 2024

Signed- Megan Dunneisen-City Clerk

Approved May 21, 2024

Signed-Emily McFarland-Mayor

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