

RESOLUTION NO: 2019-14

**A Resolution Supporting State of Wisconsin Levy
Limit Exemptions for Consolidated Dispatch Centers**

WHEREAS, the seven north shore communities of Bayside, Brown Deer, Fox Point, Glendale, River Hills, Shorewood, and Whitefish Bay in Milwaukee County were successful in establishing a levy limit exemption for joint fire services in 2006; and

WHEREAS, in 2011, the seven north shore communities and North Shore Fire Department have also consolidated emergency dispatch services in the Bayside Communications Center; and

WHEREAS, through consolidation, the Bayside Communications Center has reduced emergency dispatch call processing time by one minute, twenty-eight seconds enhancing the safety of 65,000 north shore residents; and

WHEREAS, consolidation of dispatch services saves all governmental entities on both operating and capital costs; and

WHEREAS, year over year consolidated dispatch center costs are being realized that the seven communities cannot incorporate into the current levy limits;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the River Hills Village Board that the Village of River Hills hereby supports the following proposed State of Wisconsin levy limit exemption language:

The limit otherwise applicable under this section does not apply to the amount that a city, village, or town levies in that year to pay for charges assessed by a joint emergency dispatch center, but only to the extent that the amount levied to pay for such charges would cause the city, village, or town to exceed the limit that is otherwise applicable under this section.

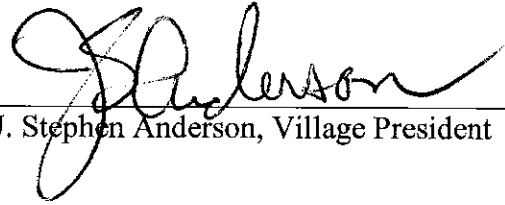
The exception to the limit that is described under subdivision 1 applies only if all of the following apply:

- The total charges assessed by the joint emergency dispatch center for the current year increase, relative to the total charges assessed by the joint emergency dispatch center for the previous year, by a percentage that is less than or equal to the percentage change in the U.S. consumer price index for all urban consumers, U.S. city average, as determined by the U.S. department of labor, for the 12 months ending on September 30 of the year of the levy, plus 2 percent.

- The governing body of each city, village, and town that is served by the joint emergency dispatch center adopts a resolution in favor of exceeding the limit as described in subdivision 1.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of River Hills this 15th day of May, 2019.

VILLAGE OF RIVER HILLS



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J. Stephen Anderson, Village President

Countersigned:



A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tammy LaBorde", written over a horizontal line.

Tammy LaBorde, Village Manager/Clerk/Treasurer

**STATE OF WISCONSIN
MILWAUKEE AND OZAUKEE COUNTIES
VILLAGE OF BAYSIDE**

RESOLUTION NO: 19-05

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WHEREAS, consolidation of dispatch services saves all governmental entities on both operating and capital costs; and

WHEREAS, year over year consolidated dispatch center costs are being realized that the seven communities cannot incorporate into the current levy limits;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Samuel Dickman, Village President, and the Village Board of Trustees support the following proposed State of Wisconsin levy limit exemption language:

The limit otherwise applicable under this section does not apply to the amount that a city, village, or town levies in that year to pay for charges assessed by a joint emergency dispatch center, but only to the extent that the amount levied to pay for such charges would cause the city, village, or town to exceed the limit that is otherwise applicable under this section.

The exception to the limit that is described under subdivision 1 applies only if all of the following apply:

- The total charges assessed by the joint emergency dispatch center for the current year increase, relative to the total charges assessed by the joint emergency dispatch center for the previous year, by a percentage that is less than or equal to the percentage change in the U.S. consumer price index for all urban consumers, U.S. city average, as determined by the U.S. department of labor, for the 12 months ending on September 30 of the year of the levy, plus 2 percent.
- The governing body of each city, village, and town that is served by the joint emergency dispatch center adopts a resolution in favor of exceeding the limit as described in subdivision 1.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Bayside this twenty-second day of February, 2019.

VILLAGE OF BAYSIDE

Samuel D. Dickman, Village President

Lynn A. Galyardt, Director of Finance and
Administration, Village Clerk/Treasurer

March 8, 2019

Senator Alberta Darling (via email)
1325 W Dean Rd.
River Hills, WI 53217

Senator Darling,

The Village of Bayside has been seeking an exception to the Expenditure Restraint Program qualifications for increases in tax levy authorized under the State Statute that allows municipalities that are a member of a consolidated dispatch center to exceed the levy limit for charges from the consolidated dispatch center.

Language that would allow this exception was recently proposed by Governor Evers in his State Budget proposal. As the Co-Chair of the Joint Finance Committee and a representative of the communities served by the Bayside Communications Center, I am asking you to support this proposed exception in the State Budget process.

Attached is a resolution of support passed by the Village of Bayside Board of Trustees. In the past, your support in initially getting the levy limit exemption into State Statutes for joint fire departments was greatly appreciated. Now, I believe authorizing the exception to qualification for the Expenditure Restraint Program for the Bayside Communications Center will meet the intent of the initial levy limit exception and encourage other communities throughout the State to consider forming a consolidated dispatch center leading to great efficiency, lower costs and reduction in duplication.

Please feel free to reach out to discuss this further. I can be reached at (414) 206-3925.

Respectfully,

Andrew K. Pederson
Village Manager
Village of Bayside