

#### STATE OF WISCONSIN

# BEFORE THE WISCONSIN EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of

WISCONSIN COUNCIL OF COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES, AFSCME, AFL-CIO

Involving Certain Employes of

CITY OF SHEBOYGAN

Case XXXV No. 24766 ME-1689 Decision No. 17170

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### DIRECTION OF ELECTIONS

Wisconsin Council of County and Municipal Employees, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, hereinafter referred to as the Petitioner, having on May 31, 1979, filed a petition with the Wisconsin Employment Relations Commission requesting the Commission to conduct an election, pursuant to Section 111.70(4)(d) of the Municipal Employment Relations Act, among certain employes of the City of Sheboygan, to determine whether said employes desire to be represented by said Petitioner for the purposes of collective bargaining; and prior to any further action by the Commission, the Municipal Employer, the Petitioner, and the Association of City Hall Employees, executed a Stipulation for Election; and the Commission being satisfied that a question has arisen concerning representation of certain employes of said Municipal Employer;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is

## DIRECTED

That elections by secret ballot shall be conducted under the direction of the Wisconsin Employment Relations Commission within thirty (30) days from the date of this Directive in the following voting groups for the following stated purposes:

### Voting Group No. 1

All regular full-time and regular part-time employes of the City of Sheboygan in its City Hall and Associated Departments, conditionally excluding professional employes, and fully excluding elected officials, department heads, supervisory, managerial, executive, confidential employes, library employes and employes in other recognized bargaining units, who were employed on July 20, 1979, except such employes as may prior to the election quit their employment or be discharged for cause, for the purpose of determining whether a majority of such employes voting desire to be represented by Wisconsin Council of County and Municipal Employees, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, or by the Association of City Hall Employees, or by neither of said organizations, for the purpose of collective bargaining with the City of Sheboygan on questions of wages, hours and conditions of employment.

### Voting Group No. 2

All regular full-time and regular part-time professional employes of the City of Sheboygan excluding elected officials, department heads, supervisory, managerial, executive, confidential employes, library employes and employes in other recognized bargaining units, who were employed on July 20, 1979, except such employes as may prior to the election quit their employment or be discharged for cause, for the purpose of determining (1) whether a majority of the employes in said voting group desire to be included in the bargaining unit described as Voting Group No. 1; and (2) whether a majority of such employes voting desire to be represented by Wisconsin Council of County and Municipal Employees, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, or by the Association of City Hall Employees, or by neither of said organizations, for the purposes of collective bargaining with the City of Sheboygan on questions of wages, hours and conditions of employment.

Given under our hands and seal at the City of Madison, Wisconsin, this 31st day of July, 1979.

WISCONSIN EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

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Herman Torosian, Commissioner

Gary L./Covelli, Commissioner

#### MEMORANDUM ACCOMPANYING DIRECTION OF ELECTIONS

When a union in an election proceeding desires to include professional employes in a single unit with non-professional employes, Section 111.70(4)(d) of the Municipal Employment Relations Act requires that the professional employes be given an opportunity to vote to determine whether they desire to be included with the non-professional employes in a single unit. In order to be included in a unit with non-professional employes, a majority of the eligible professional employes must vote for such inclusion. Therefore, in this proceeding, the professional employes (Voting Group No. 2) will be given two ballots (1) to determine whether they desire to be included in a single unit with non-professional employes (Voting Group No. 1) and, (2) whether they desire to be represented by Wisconsin Council of County and Municipal Employees, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, or by the Association of City Hall Employees, or by neither of said organizations. The professional employes who appear to vote will be instructed to place their representation ballots in a furnished blank white envelope and to seal such envelope and deposit same in the ballot box. The unit determination ballot will be a separate colored ballot and the professional employes will be instructed to deposit their unit determination ballots in the ballot box.

The unit determination ballots cast by the professional employes will be initially counted, and should a majority of the eligible professional employes vote in favor of being included in a unit with nonprofessional employes, the sealed envelopes, containing the ballots of the professionals with respect to representation will be opened and their ballots will be co-mingled with the representation ballots cast by the non-professional employes, and thereafter the tally will include the representation ballots cast by all employes.

Should a majority of the professional employes eligible not vote in favor of being combined in a unit with non-professional employes, then the professional employes shall constitute a separate unit, and their representation ballots will not be co-mingled with the representation ballots cast by the non-professional employes. Should that end result, the representation ballots cast by the professional employes will be tallied to determine whether the professional employes desire to be represented by Wisconsin Council of County and Municipal Employees, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, or by the Association of City Hall Employees, or by neither of said organizations, for the purposes of collective bargaining.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, this 31st day of July, 1979.

WISCONSIN EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION
By

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