

Edgerton’s New Voting Maps

The City Council adopted a new voting district map that will be in effect for the next 10 years. This process, called redistricting, is the division of the municipality into wards and districts in order to allocate political seats for the City Council. It is mandated by the federal and state laws and occurs every ten years after the census information is available.

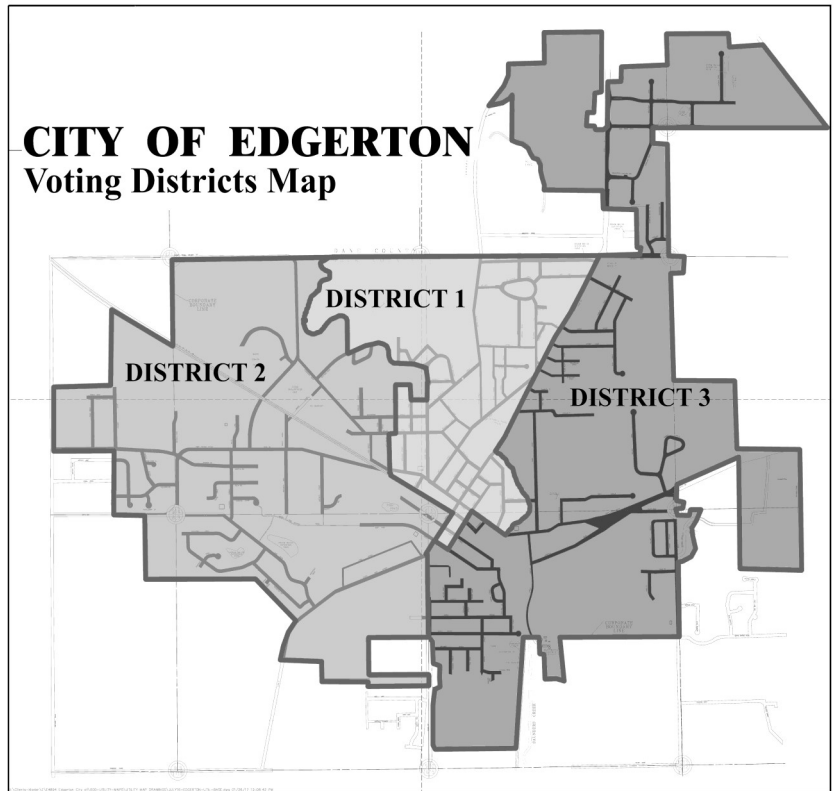
In the City of Edgerton, there are 7 wards. Two wards make up each Aldermanic District with the exception of District 3 which is now comprised of three wards.

After the 2011 redistricting, Ward 7, which is the portion of the City that is in Dane County, was included in Aldermanic District 1. When considering the location of the Rock/Dane county line; past growth of the City; and future growth of the City, the new voting maps move Ward 7 to Aldermanic District 3.

Criteria for Creating Districts: The following are the basic redistricting principles the Council considered when constructing districts:

- Create, as close as possible, equal population within each of the three districts.
- Create districts that are contiguous and compact.
- Preserve the core of districts already in place.
- Create district boundaries that are identifiable with street or land markings.
- Avoid dividing communities of interest or neighborhoods.

Please note that Edgerton residents vote by District, not by Ward, so you do not have to remember what Ward you are in when you come to vote. To the right is a map of the new voting Districts. A map with more detail can be found on the City’s website www.cityofedgerton.com.



South Main Street Project by the Numbers

2021: The water and sewer replacement portion of the South Main Street project is complete. **The residents living on South Main Street deserve a thank you for their patience with the difficult project.**

2022: The DOT project in 2022 includes the installation of an extensive storm sewer system; new curb and gutter, a new street surface, new sidewalks, and street trees. The replacement of gas, electric, cable, and telephone is already underway. The project schedule should be determined in late winter.

Here are a few interesting statistics about the project that put into perspective the magnitude and difficulty of the project:

- Deepest sewer manhole: 21.5 ft (normal depth is 8 ft)
- Approximate number of truckloads of gravel: 90
- Approximate number of truckloads of recycled crushed concrete: 157
- Linear feet of water and sanitary sewer mains installed: 5,207 (Almost a mile!)
- Linear feet of water and sanitary sewer laterals installed: 4,124
- Number of new fire hydrants: 5

PUBLIC WORKS NOTICES



Winter Parking Rules: Winter snow parking regulations went into effect on November 1st. Parking is not allowed on any street or highway after any snowfall until snow has been plowed back to the curb. Overnight parking in parking lots is restricted to the posted areas during any snowfall.

Sidewalks: Please have your sidewalks cleared of snow and ice from edge to edge no later than 24 hours after a snowfall. Failure to clear walks in the appropriate time may result in a fine. Please do not shovel snow into the street.



Christmas Trees: Starting January 3, and every Monday thereafter through January, the Public Works Department will pick up Christmas trees placed at the curb.

UTILITY NOTICES

Winter Vacations: Please consider shutting off your water in the basement if you will be out of town this winter. Shutting off water could prevent damage (and a large water bill) if you have plumbing problems while you are away. Water cannot be shut off to some appliances, so make sure you review the requirements of your water-using devices before you shut off the water.

Snow Around Fire Hydrants: The Edgerton Water Utility and the Edgerton Fire Protection District encourage residents to clear snow away from fire hydrants that are located near their property. Having easy access to fire hydrants will save precious time if the hydrant is needed to fight a fire. Your assistance is appreciated.

PET LICENSES

Dog and cat licenses expire on December 31, 2021. Please renew your pet's license before March 31, 2022 to avoid a \$5.00 late fee. Proof of rabies vaccination is **required** by the County in order to obtain a license. If you do not have a copy of your pet's vaccination record, contact your veterinarian for a duplicate copy.

Chicken permit renewals are also due by March 31, 2022

PROPERTY TAXES

Taxes for City of Edgerton residents in Rock County are paid at the Treasurer's Office at the Rock County Courthouse in Janesville. Dane County residents within the City of Edgerton pay taxes at Edgerton City Hall.

Due to COVID 19, County government offices may be closed. .

Shared Ride Taxi Service

The City offers a taxi service through Brown Cab Taxi Service. To schedule a pickup, call 884-9847

Hours of operation:

Monday-Friday..... 7:15 am to 5:15 pm
Saturday9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Notice of Spring Election

The spring election will be held in the City of Edgerton on Tuesday, April 5, 2022. The following local offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents. Terms begin on Tuesday, April 19, 2022.

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>TERM</u>
Mayor	3 year
Alderson District 1	2 year
Alderson District 2	2 year
Alderson District 3	2 year
Municipal Court Judge	4 year

The final day to file nomination papers is 5:00 pm on Tuesday, January 4, 2022. Papers for all offices except the Municipal Judge are filed in the office of the City Clerk. Municipal Judge papers are filed with Rock County. Candidates can obtain papers at City Hall or at <http://elections.wi.gov>. If a primary is necessary, it will be held on Tuesday, February 15, 2022 at City Hall.

Please check out the Wisconsin Voter Information Center at www.elections.wi.gov/voters for everything you need to know about voting in Wisconsin.

100 Private Laterals Replaced, and Counting

The City received a \$373,409 grant in 2021 to replace 100 private water laterals that were made of either lead or galvanized material. The private portion of a water lateral, which is the responsibility of the property owner, is the section from the water shut-off valve near the street to the meter in the house. Below are the statistics from the 2021 program.

2021 Edgerton LSL Grant Program Summary

- Inspections completed: 225
- Lead or galvanized laterals found: 125
- Number of laterals replaced: 100
- Average cost of a lateral replacement (not including South Main Street): \$4,552

2022 Program

The DNR grant funding for this program is now more limited and therefore competitive within the state. Despite the challenge this limitation presents, the City plans to apply for another grant in 2022 to assist at least 100 more property owners with the replacement of their laterals.

While the DNR program does not require the replacement of lead laterals as this time, it is anticipated that the Wisconsin DNR will eventually require the replacement of all lead laterals in drinking water systems. The Edgerton Water Utility has recommended the City Council pass an ordinance making it mandatory that all lead laterals be replaced soon for the following reasons: to maximize grant funding for residents; to limit health risks for all utility customers; and to eliminate the chemicals that need to be added to the public water to reduce the negative impacts of lead.

The Water Utility will use a similar procedure this year to determine what properties will be included in the program. The Utility will contact residents in neighborhoods with older homes that are apt to have lead laterals in an effort to inspect the lateral at the water meter to determine what material it is made of. If you receive a letter, please schedule an inspection so we can prepare for the 2022 replacement program. (Note: Lead water piping was made illegal in 1986 so any homes built after that date cannot have lead pipes.)

