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CITY OF JEFFERSON TO HOST THREE INFORMATION SESSIONS ABOUT UPCOMING PUBLIC SAFETY REFERENDUM

Sessions will provide public an opportunity to hear from City officials and ask questions

JEFFERSON, **WIS**. – The City of Jefferson announced it will host three information sessions regarding the upcoming public safety referendum that will appear on the April 4 election ballots. The meetings will be hosted in-person at the Jefferson Fire Station/EMS Facility.

"The City of Jefferson has identified a need to add additional, full-time personnel to its Fire and EMS Department, and voters will see a public safety referendum question about this on their ballots this spring," said Jefferson City Administrator Tim Freitag. "We are looking forward to providing Jefferson residents with information ahead of the April election, as well as an opportunity to ask questions they may have."

The information sessions will be held at the following dates and times:

- Thursday, February 23rd 6:00 p.m.
- Thursday, March 9th 12:00 p.m.
- Thursday, March 23rd 6:00 p.m.

The sessions will be held at the Jefferson Fire Station/EMS Facility, 351 East Racine Street. City staff will provide an overview of the referendum, answer questions, and give tours of the facility.

The referendum question asks members of the Jefferson community to decide whether or not to support an increase in the City's annual tax levy, beginning in December 2023, to cover the cost for six additional full-time EMS fire-trained staff and to provide a competitive, hourly wage for volunteer Fire Department staff.

Residents can find information about their polling place, request an absentee ballot and register to vote by visiting <u>myvote.wi.gov</u>.

Additional information about the upcoming public safety referendum, including a fact sheet and FAQs, can be found at <u>https://jeffersonwis.com/residents/referendum/</u>. Feedback and questions about the referendum can be emailed to <u>referendum@jeffersonwis.com</u>.