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### ADMINISTRATIVE PROPOSAL

## **COUNTY EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENT 2021/22-23**

RE: KENOSHA COUNTY LAND INFORMATION COUNCIL

TO THE HONORABLE KENOSHA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Placing special trust in his judgment and based upon his qualifications, I hereby submit to the honorable Kenosha County Board of Supervisors for its review and approval the name of

Mr. Robert W. Merry Chief Surveyor Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission

to serve on the Kenosha County Land Information Council beginning immediately upon the confirmation of the County Board and continuing until the 1st day of July, 2025 or until a successor is appointed by the County Executive and confirmed by the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors.

Since his last appointment, Mr. Merry has attended eleven of the eleven meetings held.

Mr. Merry will serve without pay. Mr. Merry will be succeeding himself.

Respectfully submitted this 15th day of July, 2021.

Jim Kreuser

Kenosha County Executive

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# COUNTY OF KENOSHA OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE JIM KREUSER

# APPOINTMENT PROFILE KENOSHA COUNTY COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, & BOARDS

| (Please type or print)  |
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| Name: Robert William Merry First Middle Last  |
| Residence Address:  |
| Previous Address if above less than 5 years:  Southeastern Wisconsin  Occupation: Regional Planning Commission Chief Surveyor  Company Title  Business Address: W239 N1812 Rockwood Drive, Waukesha, W15318-  |
| Telephone Number: Residence Business 262-953-4289   |
| Daytime Telephone Number: 262-953-4289  |
| Mailing Address Preference: Business (X)  Residence ( )   |
| Email Address: rmerry@sewrpc.org  |
| Do you or have you done business with any part of Kenosha County Government in the past 5 years? Yes ( \chi ) No ( )  |
| If yes, please attach a detailed document.  |
| Affiliations: List affiliations in all service groups, public service organizations, social or charitable groups, labor, business or professional organization, and indicate if it was a board or staff affiliation.  Wisconsin County Surveyors Association Board of Directors |
| Special Interests: Indicate organizations or activities in which you have a special interest but may not have been actively involved.  See Attached   |
| *If more space is needed, please attach another sheet.  |

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| Nominee's Supervisory District N/A   |                |  |
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| Governmental Services: List services with any governmental unit.  See Attached   |                |  |
| Additional Information: List any qualifications or expertise you possess that would benefit the Board, Committee, Commission, etc.  See AHached  |                |  |
| Conflict Of Interest: It would be inappropriate for you, as a current or prospective appointee, to have a member of your immediate family directly involved with any action that may come under the inquiry or advice of the appointed board, commission, or committee. A committee member declared in conflict would be prohibited from voting on any motion where "direct involvement" had been declared and may result in embarrassment to you and/or Kenosha County.  Signature of Nominee |                |  |
| <u>6/10/2021</u><br>Date   |                |  |
| Please Return To: Kenosha County Executive 1010 – 56th Street Kenosha, WI 53140  |                |  |
| (For Office Use Only)  |                |  |
| Appointed To:Commission/Committee/Board  |                |  |
| Term: Beginning  | Ending         |  |
| Confirmed by the Kenosha County Board on:  |                |  |
|  | eappointment X |  |
|  | revious Terms: |  |

#### **Prior Business with Kenosha County**

Serve Kenosha County as County Surveyor. By adopted Resolution Number 88 on March 15, 2016, approving Mr. Merry to serve as Kenosha County Surveyor. Prior to Kenosha County Surveyor, Mr. Merry served as Deputy County Surveyor sworn in as Deputy County Surveyor on the 3rd day of December 2014 and worked under Dr. Kurt Bauer, former Executive Director Emeritus and Kenosha County Surveyor.

#### **Special Interests**

Served on The Ohio State University Surveying and Mapping Industry Advisory Board from October 2001 to April 2010. Reason for leaving was due to the University discontinuing the Bachelor of Science in Surveying program.

Currently serving as part of the Wisconsin Spatial Reference System 2022 Task Force and technical lead for the Funding Focus Group. This Funding Focus group is in charge to investigate funding implications of the new plan and identify funding opportunities for Wisconsin partners.

#### **Governmental Services**

Serve as County Surveyor in Kenosha, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Walworth, and Waukesha Counties.

#### **Additional Information**

Extensive knowledge of LiDAR technologies and aerial imagery. Involved with these technologies since 1993 and currently assisting counties with their quality assurance and overall evaluation and use of acquired LiDAR and Aerial Imagery data sets. Also, developing strategic initiatives with the supplemental uses of existing geospatial data such as change detection analysis and building footprint algorithms.

Successfully developed, managed, analyzed, and reported the conversion of the horizontal survey control network in all southeastern counties (including Kenosha) that migrated the existing control network data as referenced on North American Datum of 1927 (NAD27) to the latest federal datum of North American Datum of 1983 with the federal readjustment of 2011 (NAD83/2011). This also included the vertical control network that migrated the existing elevation data as referenced to the National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929 (NGVD29) to the

North American Vertical Datum of 1988 (NAVD88). Managed, analyzed, and reported on Wisconsin Height Modernization Projects, using precise leveling techniques; countywide High Accurate Reference Network (HARN) densification projects, using GPS static observations; Public Land Survey System (PLSS) Section Corner projects, using GPS "rapid static", conventional, and digital leveling techniques; Lock and Dam Deformation Studies, using conventional and digital leveling techniques.

Licensed as a Professional Land Surveyor in both Michigan and Wisconsin and have conducted surveys in 46 of the 50 U.S. States.

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