

**CHAPTER 983. CHANGING THE CITY BASE OR PLANE OF REFERENCE FOR ELEVATIONS AND FIXING THE ELEVATION OF PRIMAL BENCH MARKS.**

**983.01. Official City Base.** The official City Base, or Plane of Reference for elevations in the City of Ashland, Wisconsin is hereby changed and fixed at the Sea-Level Datum of 1929 established by the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey or at a plane which is five hundred ninety and seven hundred eighty-nine thousandths (590.789) feet below the City base, or Plane of Reference for elevations established by Ordinance No. 151 passed by the City Council on September 20, 1897.

**983.02. Benchmarks Description.** The following described bench marks established by the United States and Geodetic Survey are hereby declared to be primal Bench Marks of the City of Ashland, Wisconsin and that the adjusted elevations established by said United States Coast and Geodetic Survey for said Bench Marks are hereby declared to be the true and correct elevation with reference to the official City Base or Plane of Reference:

(a) Chiseled Square. At Ashland, Ashland County, Wisconsin, at the southeast corner of the Post Office building (Old Post Office), and on the center of the cast iron drain pipe in the stone wall. A chiseled square, marked by the chiseled letters B.M. on the wall. Elevation 651.032 feet.

(b) 650 (U.S.G.S.). At Ashland, Ashland County, Wisconsin, in the east face of the Post Office (Old Post Office), and at the northeast corner. A United States Geological Survey standard disk, stamped  $\hat{=}$ 650 Wis. 1919" and set vertically. Elevation 649.283 feet.

(c) D-16. At Ashland, Ashland County, Wisconsin, in the south brick wall of the Chicago and Northwestern Railway Station, 6 feet from the southeast corner of the building, 8 feet east of the waiting room door, and above 30 inches above platform. A standard disk, stamped  $\hat{=}$ D 16 1934" and set vertically. Elevation 670.776 feet.

(d) A 17. At Ashland, Ashland County, Wisconsin, on the Chicago and Northwestern Railway, at Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sault Saint Marie Railway overpass bridge 1318, and in the top of the north end of the bridge seat of the east concrete abutment. A standard disk (U.S.C.G.), stamped  $\hat{=}$ A 17 1934". Elevation 682.453 feet.

**983.03. Future Descriptions.** All official elevations hereafter established in the City of Ashland, Wisconsin shall be described with reference to their elevations as compared with the official base in feet with decimal parts of a foot. No grade or official elevation shall be established other than by Ordinance and in the manner described in this ordinance.

**983.04. Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances.** Ordinance No. 151, in so far as it related to the establishment of a City Base or Plane of Reference for elevations is hereby repealed. All grade elevations given in reference to said ordinance will be determined with reference to the City Base

established in this ordinance without making any change in the grade by adding 590.789 feet to the figures given in the ordinance. The same applies to other ordinances passed previous to the passage of this ordinance.

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