

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

Resolution authorizing amendment to the City Council rules of procedure for the conduct of City Council meetings

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

As directed by Council on July 24, this Resolution amends the City Council rules of procedure for conduct of City Council meetings.

RECOMMENDATION

Move to adopt Resolution No. 10291

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

Resolution 10084 sets forth the Council's rules of procedure for the conduct of City Council meetings. At the July 24 study session, staff presented proposed updates to the rules of procedure. After Council discussion, staff were directed to bring back the Resolution for final action at tonight's meeting. The direction to staff included additional modifications as follows: clarification of the process for temporary Presiding Officer selection, and a change to the preference authorized by the Presiding Officer to individuals during oral communications who have not spoken to the Council from within the last 30 days to within the last 60 days and those speaking to items anticipated to come to Council from within the next 30 days to within the next 60 days. In addition, speaking off topic was inadvertently left out of the list of possible disruptions that could result in removal from public comment or meeting attendance, and has been included in Section 8.D.1.b.

A redline version of Resolution 10084 with all proposed changes is included as Attachment A.

POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS

Policy Impact

RCW 35A.12.120 states that "The council shall determine its own rules and order of business and may establish rules for the conduct of council meetings and the maintenance of order." The City Council operates under special rules of procedure adopted by Council Resolution 10084.

RCW 42.30, the Open Public Meetings Act, governs the way in which Council meetings are conducted.

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

OPTIONS

- 1. Adopt the Resolution authorizing amending the City Council rules of procedure for the conduct of City Council meetings.
- 2. Do not adopt the Resolution and provide alternative direction.

ATTACHMENTS

A. Redline strike draft of Resolution 10084 Proposed Resolution No. 10291

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