

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA TOPIC

Resolution amending the City Council rules of procedure to increase the maximum exclusion period and change the timing of processing appeals of exclusions.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**ACTION**

Following Council's direction at the September 10 meeting, this Resolution amends the Council's rules of procedures to increase the maximum exclusion period and change the timing of processing appeals of exclusions.

RECOMMENDATION

Move to adopt Resolution No. 10544

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

Council updated its rules of decorum for public attendance and participation to provide for the orderly conduct of Council and board/commission meetings in 2023. After administering and enforcing these rules in the past two years, Council expressed an interest in updating these rules to increase the maximum exclusion period for violations of decorum.

At the September 10 study session, staff proposed a set of legislations pertaining to rules of decorum for Council and board/commission meetings, including this resolution, to increase the maximum exclusion period from 60 days to 180 days, and change the timing of processing appeals of exclusions to the next regularly scheduled Council meeting, that is at least three business days from the receipt of a written appeal. After Council discussion, staff were directed to bring back this resolution for final action.

POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS**Policy Impact**

Per RCW 35A.12.120, "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 Open Public Meetings Act, chapter 42.30 RCW, governs the way in which Council and advisory board and commission meetings are conducted. This resolution is consistent with these state statutes.

Fiscal Impact

There will be no fiscal impact associated with this action.

OPTIONS

1. Adopt the Resolution amending the City Council rules of procedure to increase the maximum exclusion period and change the timing of processing appeals of exclusions.
2. Do not adopt the Resolution and provide alternative direction.

ATTACHMENTS

Proposed Resolution No. 10544

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