



City of Bellevue

City Council Rules of Procedure

Proposed Updates

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Policy Consideration

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.

RCW 35A.12.120

Topics for Discussion



Election of Mayor (Section 3B)



**Board and Commission Appointments
(Section 5C)**



Council Order of Business (Section 7A)



Rules for Public Participation (Section 8D)



Remote Participation (Section 6E)

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Election of Mayor

Section 3B

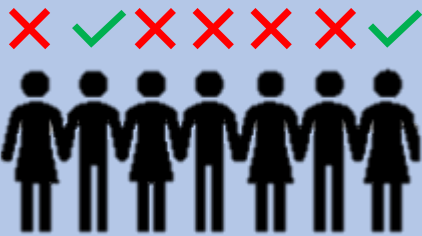
Election of Mayor

Traditional (Current Rules)

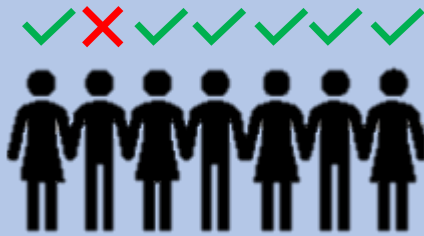
Call for Nominations

- 1) Smith
- 2) Jones

Candidate 1 - Smith



Candidate 2 - Jones



Current rules are silent to a specific process, so Roberts Rules method becomes the default.

- 1) Nominations made
- 2) Paper ballots distributed to all Councilmembers, who may vote for any one of the nominated candidates
- 3) Votes are counted and recorded in a Teller's Report for the Chair to read aloud
- 4) Balloting continues until a candidate receives a majority vote (4+)

Election of Mayor

Proposed method has been used to conduct the past 3 elections:

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- 2) Paper ballots distributed to all Councilmembers, who may vote for any one of the nominated candidates
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Proposed (Ballot Method)



Teller's Report

5 votes for Jones
2 votes for Smith

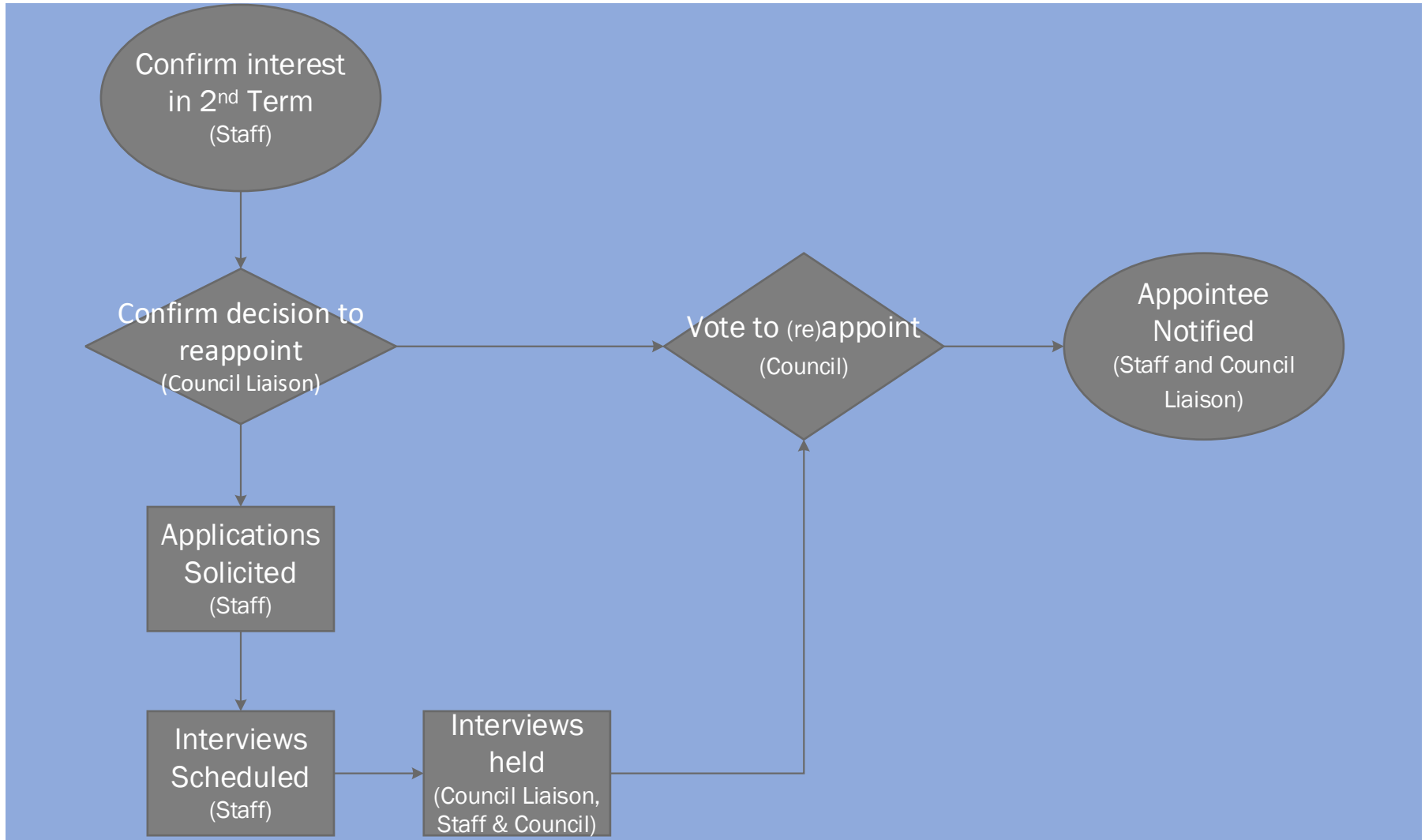




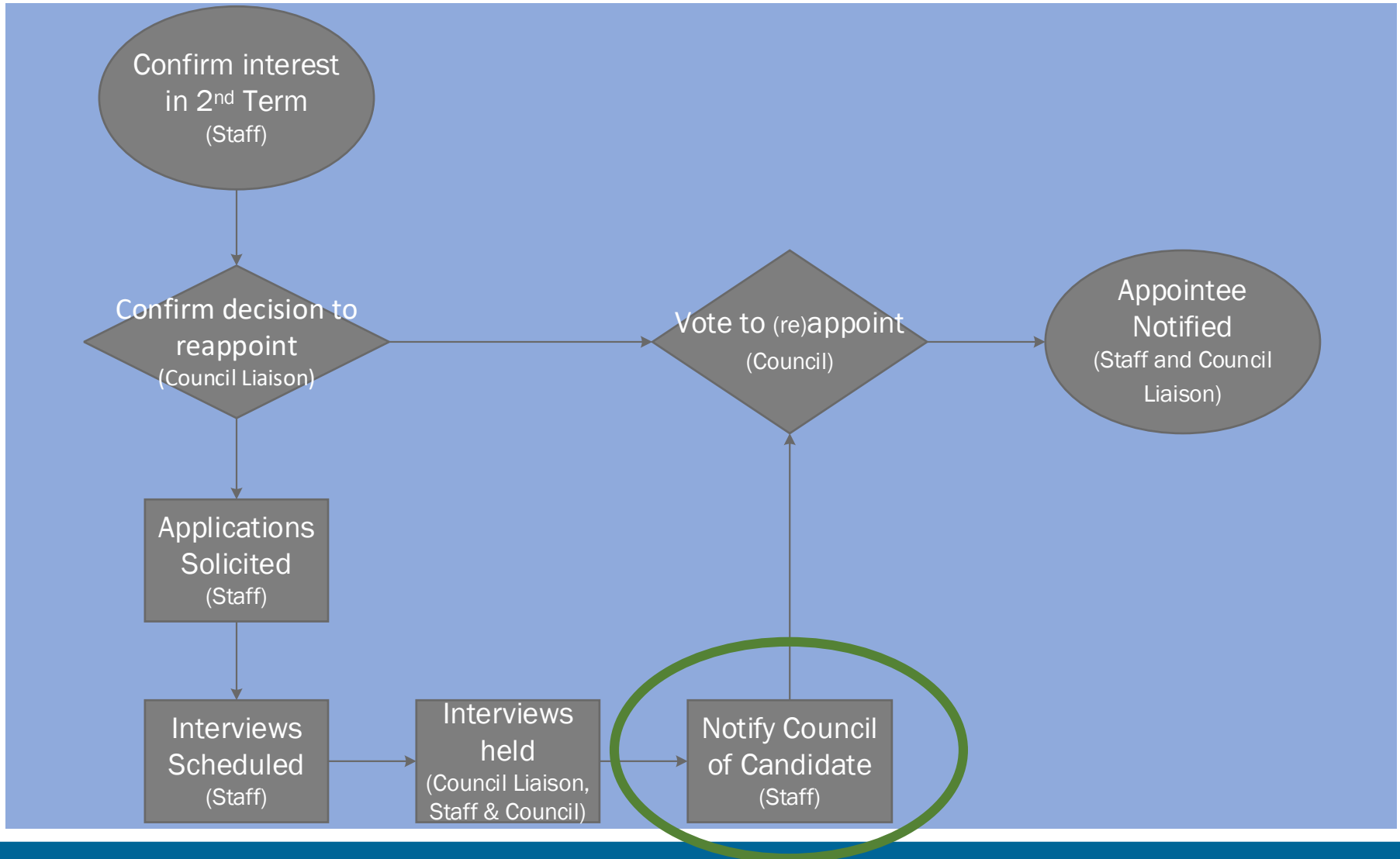
Board and Commission Appointments

Section 5C

Nomination Process Summary



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Council Order of Business

Section 7A

Council Order of Business

Extended Study Session

Proposed change:

- Hold Oral Communications prior to entering executive session

Regular Session

Proposed Change:

- Add *'Honors and Proclamations'* following *'Approval of Agenda'*



Rules for Public Participation

Section 8D

Continued Oral Communications

From June 1, 2015 minutes:

- Add second opportunity in order to accommodate individuals who were not able to speak earlier due to time constraints, even if it means extending the meeting;
- Allow the Mayor to determine if the second opportunity was limited to individuals who signed up earlier in the evening or whether anyone would be allowed to speak;
- Ensure a balance of allowing time for the Council to conduct necessary business, while providing the public an opportunity to speak.

Considerations for Clarification



Retain on both agendas



No opportunity past 10 pm



Speakers signed in



One opportunity to speak



3 speakers per side



Remote Participation

Section 6E

Remote participation

Confirm current rules are working as intended:

- Must be approved in advance;
- No more than 4 times per year (non-medical);
- No more than 2 members may participate remotely at the same time