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NEW HAMPSHIRE**



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**ARTICLE 1
CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS**

SECTION 1.1 REGULAR MEETINGS

Regular meetings of the City Council shall be held in the Council Chamber in City Hall on the first Tuesday of each month, at 7:00 o'clock PM, except when a state general election or a regular municipal election is held on said first Tuesday of the month of November. The November meeting date in the year in which a regular municipal election is conducted shall be the Wednesday following said municipal election, in accordance with Section 52 of the City Charter. The November meeting date in the year in which a state general election is conducted shall be the second Tuesday of that month, unless the City Council shall otherwise direct. The inaugural meeting date following the regular municipal election shall be the first Tuesday after January 1. If any such date shall fall upon a legal holiday or upon the day on which a special state or municipal election is conducted the City Council shall vote to conduct said meeting on the day following or on the Tuesday following that holiday or Election Day.

SECTION 1.2 SPECIAL MEETINGS

The City Clerk shall call a special meeting of the City Council at the written request of the City Manager, the Mayor, or at the written request of a majority of City Council. Special meetings of the City Council shall be held upon written notice being delivered by the City Clerk to each City Councilor at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to said meeting, said notice stating the purpose for which the meeting is called. The Mayor shall take the chair precisely at the hour appointed for the meeting and call the members to order, and within ten minutes or sooner if a quorum be present, shall cause the roll to be called, and the names of the members present to be recorded. The Clerk shall also record the names of the members coming in after the calling of the roll.

SECTION 1.3 ABSENCE OR DISABILITY OF MAYOR, DEPUTY MAYOR

In the absence or disability of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor shall take the chair and preside over the meeting and shall act as Mayor during such absence or disability. In the absence or disability of both Mayor and Deputy Mayor, the Clerk shall call the Council to order and shall preside until a chairperson shall be chosen by a roll call vote and plurality of votes, who shall preside and act as Mayor during such absence or disability.

[6/4/2013]

SECTION 1.4 ORDER OF BUSINESS

(a) The order of business for regular meetings of the City Council shall be as follows:

1. Call to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Prayer
4. Roll Call
5. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting(s)
6. Communications from the City Manager
7. Communications from the Mayor
8. Presentation of Petitions and Council Correspondence [and Disposal thereof by Reference or Otherwise]
9. Nominations, Appointments and Elections
10. Report of Committees
11. Old Business [Items Remaining from Prior Meetings]
12. New Business
13. Other
14. Adjournment

(b) New Business: Items requiring Council action may be introduced by any member of the City Council, but may not be acted upon at the meeting in which they are introduced unless the items are properly filed in accordance with Article 4, Section 4.1 herein. The Council may act upon said items if they have not been filed in advance by suspending Council Rules by a two-third (2/3) vote of the City Council.

SECTION 1.5 PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearings: To receive citizen input and feedback on certain specific matters that have been placed on the meeting agenda for consideration and action by the City Council, Public Hearings will be scheduled and held as required by law and/or whenever referred for a public hearing by simple majority vote of Council Members present. Upon being referred by Council vote, Public Hearings will be noticed for and held during a subsequent Regular and/or Special Meeting or Committee Meeting. At the request of the presiding officer, Ordinances or Resolutions scheduled on an agenda for public hearing will be briefly introduced with appropriate explanations by staff. Citizens will then have the opportunity to address the Council speaking to the specific item(s) subject to public hearing, subject to the following guidelines: [6/4/2013]

- I. All speakers shall be residents of the City of Rochester, property owners in the City of Rochester, and/or designated representatives of recognized civic organizations or businesses located and/or operating in the City of Rochester;
- ii. All speakers shall address their comments to the presiding officer and the Council as a body and not to any individual member;
- iii. Speakers shall first recite their name and address for the record, and, if applicable, the name and address of the civic organization and/or business they have been designated to represent;
- iv. For each public hearing item, a speaker shall be provided a single opportunity for comment;
- v. Public Hearings are not intended to be utilized for a two-way dialogue between speaker(s), Council Member(s), and/or the City Manager, or administrative staff; and
- vi. The presiding officer shall preserve strict order and decorum for and by all speakers appearing before the Council.

ARTICLE 2 DUTIES AND POWERS OF PRESIDING OFFICER

SECTION 2.1 PRESIDING OFFICER - DECORUM AND ORDER

The presiding officer shall preserve decorum and order, may speak to points of order in preference to the members, and shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Council on motion of any member, and no other business shall be in order until the questions on the appeal shall have been decided.

SECTION 2.2 PRESIDING OFFICER - DECLARING VOTES

The presiding officer shall declare all votes, but if any member doubts the vote, the presiding officer, without further debate upon the question, shall require a division and shall declare the results.

SECTION 2.3 PRESIDING OFFICER - ROLL CALL VOTES

When any member shall require a question to be put in the roll call vote, the presiding office shall so order if the request is seconded.

SECTION 2.4 PRESIDING OFFICER - ORDER OF QUESTIONS

The presiding officer shall propound all questions in the order in which they are moved, unless the subsequent motion shall be previous in its nature.

SECTION 2.5 DISPOSAL OF MOTIONS

After a motion is made and seconded, it shall be considered, and, after it is stated by the presiding officer, it shall be disposed of by vote of the City Council, unless the mover withdraws it before a decision or amendment and the second agrees to withdrawal of the motion.

SECTION 2.6 MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

The presiding officer shall consider a motion to adjourn as always in order, the time of the next meeting having been agreed upon, unless a member has possession of the floor, or any question has been put and not decided. The motion to adjourn, or to lay on the table, or to take from the table, if seconded, shall be decided without debate.

SECTION 2.7 PRESIDING OFFICER - RECOGNIZING MEMBERS

When two or more members ask to be recognized at the same time, the presiding officer shall name the member who shall speak first.

SECTION 2.8 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

All Council committees shall be appointed and announced by the presiding officer, who shall designate the chairperson and vice-chairperson thereof. The Mayor shall be Chair of the Finance Committee and an Ex-Officio voting member of all other committees of the Council.

SECTION 2.9 ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER

When no other provision is herein made, questions of parliamentary law shall be decided as prescribed in the most recent edition of Robert's Rules of Order.

ARTICLE 3 RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF MEMBERS

SECTION 3.1 COUNCIL MEMBER SPEAKING

When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Council, the member shall use a raised hand to be recognized, shall remain seated, respectfully address the presiding officer, shall be confined to the question under debate, and shall avoid personalities. The presiding officer shall attempt to allow a particular stream of discussion to be completed prior to allowing a member to change the direction of the debate at hand.

SECTION 3.2 COUNCIL MEMBER IN DEBATE

Members in debate shall address each other as Councilor or may use a description by the ward represented, or such other designation as may be intelligible and respectful.

SECTION 3.3 INTERRUPTION OF COUNCIL MEMBER

No member speaking shall be interrupted by another, except to call to order or to correct a mistake. But if any member, in speaking or otherwise, transgresses the Rules of the Council, the member so called to order shall immediately cease speaking unless permitted to explain, and the chair shall decide the question of order. The City Council, if appealed to, shall decide the question with limited debate.

SECTION 3.4 COUNCIL MEMBER SPEAKING, LIMITATIONS

Upon a motion and 2/3 vote by the council to limit debate, the chair shall limit discussions on any motion before the council. After such vote and if no time limit is set as part of the motion, no member shall speak more than twice on the same question, or more than five minutes at one time, nor more than once, until all other members choosing to speak shall have spoken.

SECTION 3.5 PRECEDENCE OF MOTIONS

The following motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged:

1. **TO ADJOURN:** A privileged motion to be voted on at once if seconded; not debatable.
2. **TO LAY ON THE TABLE/TO TAKE FROM THE TABLE:**
Requires a second, not debatable.
3. **TO CALL FOR THE PREVIOUS QUESTION/TO MOVE THE QUESTION (TO CLOSE DEBATE):**
Requires a second, not debatable.
4. **TO POSTPONE TO A TIME CERTAIN:**
Requires a second, debatable.

5. **TO REFER:** Requires a second; debatable.
6. **TO AMEND:** Requires a second; debatable.
7. **TO POSTPONE INDEFINITELY:** Requires a second: debatable.
8. **MAIN MOTION:** Requires a second; debatable.

SECTION 3.6 MOTION REDUCED TO WRITING

Every motion shall be reduced to writing, if the presiding officer directs, or if a member of the Council requests it.

SECTION 3.7 VOTING ON MOTIONS. ABSTENTIONS

Every member who shall be in the Council Chamber when a question is put shall vote, except that no member may vote on any question in which the member has a direct interest to a degree that may significantly impair the independent and impartial exercise of that member's judgment as a Councilor. If a member takes this rule for purposes of not voting, the member shall inform the City Council before a vote be taken on the motion under consideration.

SECTION 3.8 MAYORAL VETO - EXERCISE AND VOTE TO OVERRIDE

To be effective, the right of veto accorded to the Mayor under the provisions of Section 10-A of the Rochester City Charter, must be exercised, and notice of such exercise must be communicated in writing to the City Clerk, within one hundred forty-four (144) hours after action by the Council. As soon as practicable after receipt of the Mayor's written notice of exercise of the veto power, and in no event later than seventy-two (72) hours after receipt of such notice, the City Clerk shall inform the Council in writing of the Mayor's exercise of such veto. The Council may override said veto by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all Councilors (Mayor excluded) serving in office, as provided for in Section 10-A of the Rochester City Charter, no later than the close of the next regular meeting of Council.

SECTION 3.9 DIVISION OF A QUESTION

The division of a question may be called for when the sense will admit it.

SECTION 3.10 READING OF A PAPER. OBJECTIONS

When the reading of a paper is called for, and the same is objected to by any Member, it shall be determined by a vote of the Council.

SECTION 3.11 SUSPENSION, AMENDMENT, AND REPEAL OF RULES

No standing Rule of Order of the Council shall be suspended unless two-thirds (2/3) of the members present shall consent thereto. Nor shall any Rule of Order be repealed or amended without a motion therefore, made at a previous meeting, nor

unless a majority of the whole City Council concur therein. The Rules of Order of the City Council shall be reaffirmed by the new Council following each municipal election. The Rules of the former Council shall not be binding.

SECTION 3.12 ATTENDANCE OF MEMBERS

Every member shall take notice of the day and hour to which the Council may stand adjourned, and shall give his punctual attendance accordingly.

<p style="text-align:center">ARTICLE 4 AGENDAS, COMMUNICATIONS, COMMITTEES, REPORTS, RESOLUTIONS</p>

SECTION 4.1 AGENDA PREPARATION

The agenda for each Council meeting shall be prepared by the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and the City Manager in conjunction with the City Clerk. Any Councilor may place an item on the agenda provided that the items be submitted in writing or email to the City Clerk, the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor or the City Manager seven (7) days prior to the meeting of Council. The City Clerk shall provide Council members with copies of the agenda at least five (5) days prior to the meeting of the Council.

SECTION 4.2 MEMORIALS AND DOCUMENTS, PRESENTATION

All memorials and other documents addressed to the City Council shall be presented by the presiding officer or by a member in the presiding officer's place, who shall explain the subject thereof; and they shall lie on the table to be taken up in order in which they are presented, unless the Council shall otherwise direct.

SECTION 4.3 REPORTS AND PAPERS, LEGIBLY WRITTEN OR TYPED

All reports and other papers submitted to the City Council shall be written in fair hand or typewritten. The Clerk shall make copies on any papers to be reported by the committees, at the request of the chairs thereof. At the request of any councilor a digital copy may be provided in place of printed page.

SECTION 4.4 STANDING COMMITTEES

At the commencement of the new year following the regular municipal election, the following committees shall be appointed by the Mayor:

Finance:

Shall consist of seven (7) members including the Mayor who shall serve as chair.

Public Works and Buildings:

Shall consist of five (5) members.

Public Safety:

Shall consist of five (5) members.

Codes and Ordinances:

Shall consist of five (5) members.

Community Development:

Shall consist of five (5) members.

Appointments Review Committee:

Shall consist of five (5) members.

- A. No Council Member shall serve on more than three (3) standing committees, excluding the Finance Committee.
- B. All vacancies occurring in any standing committee shall be filled by the Mayor.

SECTION 4.5 SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Special committees shall consist of three (3) members unless a different number be ordered by the Mayor.

SECTION 4.6 REMOVAL OF A COMMITTEE MEMBER

A member of any committee may be removed by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the entire Council.

SECTION 4.7 PUBLIC INPUT AT WORKSHOP OR COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The chair shall call the committee together and no committee shall act by separate consultations, and no report shall be received from any committee unless agreed to in committee actually assembled, and voted upon by a majority of the members thereof.

Public input on any subject appropriate to be brought before the Council shall be allowed at the beginning of every committee meeting or council workshop and shall be placed as the first item of business on the agenda of said meeting. When possible, the chair shall allow for reasonable input from the public during the meeting, to allow citizens to comment on any item appearing on the agenda, except for any items discussed in any non-public session. The chair may limit any public input to insure that the committee is able to complete its work and to provide for the decorum of the meeting.

i. Speakers shall be residents of the City of Rochester, property owners in the City of Rochester, and/or designated representatives of recognized civic organizations or businesses located and/or operating in the City of Rochester; [6/4/2013]

ii. Speakers shall address their comments to the presiding officer and the Council as a body and not to any individual member;

iii. Speakers shall first recite their name and address for the record, and, if applicable, the name and address of the civic organization and/or business the have been designated to represent;

iv. Each speaker shall be provided a single opportunity for comment, limited to five (5) minutes with the five (5) minutes beginning after the obligatory statement of named and address by the speaker;

v. Public Input shall not be a two-way dialogue between speaker(s), Council Member(s), and/or the City Manager, or administrative staff; with the exception of Committee meetings when allowed by the Chair; and

vi. The presiding officer shall preserve strict order and decorum for and by all speakers appearing before the Council.

SECTION 4.8 SITTING OF COMMITTEE DURING COUNCIL MEETINGS

No committee shall sit during the meetings of the City Council without special leave.

SECTION 4.9 COMMITTEE REPORTS

It shall be the duty of every committee of the Council to which any subject may be specially referred to report thereon at the next meeting of the City Council, or to ask for further time.

SECTION 4.10 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, COUNCIL RULES

The rules of proceedings in Council shall be observed in a committee of the whole so far as they may be applicable, excepting the rules limiting the time speaking.

SECTION 4.11 AUTHORIZATION OF EXPENDITURES, CITY DEBT

After the annual appropriations shall have been passed, no subsequent expenditure shall be authorized for any object, unless provisions for the same shall be made by a specific transfer from some of the annual appropriations or money in the treasury unappropriated or by expressly creating therefore a City debt; and no City debt shall be created except by a majority vote of the Council in the affirmative.

SECTION 4.12 ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Every ordinance, and all resolutions imposing penalties or authorizing the expenditure of money when introduced, shall be written and shall pass through the following stages before they shall be considered as having received the final action of the Council, to wit: First reading for information, and if not rejected or otherwise disposed of, the City Attorney and City Clerk, shall carefully examine them to see that they are in technical form and that their provisions are not repugnant to the Laws and Constitution of the State of New Hampshire or to the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Rochester: They shall then be referred by the chair to the appropriate Council committee for review, public hearing (if required) and discussion. All committees shall make a report for final action to the Council. After such report, the question shall be, "Shall they be read a second time?" If not then rejected, the question shall be on the passage of the same to be enrolled. Upon an affirmative vote, the chair shall refer such ordinance or resolution to the Codes and Ordinances Committee for review as set forth in Section 4.13. and

make a report of them to the Council, at which time they shall be deemed to be enrolled. No ordinance or resolution as above referred shall be amended except on its second reading. All other resolutions shall have one reading before they shall finally be passed by the Council.

SECTION 4.13 CODES AND ORDINANCES COMMITTEE, ORDINANCE ENROLLMENT

It shall be the duty of the Codes and Ordinances Committee to examine every ordinance that shall have passed the several readings required, and if found correctly enrolled, officially made part of the general ordinances of the City of Rochester and/or the official record of the City Council and to report the same to the Council.

SECTION 4.14 ELECTIONS BY BALLOT

In all elections by ballot on the part of the City Council, blank ballots and all ballots for persons not eligible shall be reported to the Council. To be elected any person seeking election must receive a majority of the votes of those members present and voting. Tally of the ballots shall be reported to the Council and recorded in the minutes. Unless otherwise directed by the Council all ballots shall be destroyed after being reported.

A. Boards and Commissions appointments shall be elected by ballot of the City Council with the exception of a single candidate. Single candidates upon nominations ceasing will be elected by City Council voice vote that the City Clerk cast one ballot for that candidate.

(A) Amended and adopted by the City Council on 3/04/2014.

SECTION 4.15 RECORD OF VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

The Clerk shall keep a record of the votes and proceedings of the City Council, entering thereon all orders and resolutions, except such as it is necessary to engross; reports, memorials, and other papers submitted to the Council shall be noted only by their titles or a brief description of their purpose, but any accepted reports may be entered at length on said record.

SECTION 4.16 FUNCTIONS OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Functions shall include: Purchasing, Trust Funds, Operating Budget, Final Capital Budget, Taxes, City Reports, Legal Affairs, Insurance, Audits, Claims, Accounts, Bids, Review of Expenditures, Receipts, Contract Change Orders, Welfare and Grants. The Finance Committee shall present a monthly report of the City accounts to the Council.

SECTION 4.17 FUNCTIONS OF CODES AND ORDINANCES COMMITTEE

Functions shall include: Municipal Elections and Returns, Charter and Ordinances, Council By-Laws, Enrolled Bills, Planning, Zoning, and such other matters as may be directed by the City Council.

SECTION 4.18 FUNCTIONS OF PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDING COMMITTEE

Functions shall include: Roads, Sewer Systems, Water Systems, Engineering, Public Buildings, Recycling and Solid Waste, Pollution, Water Resources, Space Allocations.

SECTION 4.19 FUNCTIONS OF PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Functions shall include: Police, Fire, Parking, Traffic, Street Signs, Street Lights, Animal Control, and Public Health Services.

SECTION 4.20 FUNCTIONS OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Functions shall include: Economic Development, Industrial Development, Land Use Policy, Technology Issues, Chamber of Commerce, Rochester Main Street, Arts and Cultural, Recreation, Parks, Adult & Youth Services, Promotional Activities and Festivals, Public Relations, COAST, CDBG and Human Services Agencies.

SECTION 4.21 FUNCTIONS OF THE APPOINTMENTS REVIEW COMMITTEE

Functions shall include: Interviewing of candidates for Council appointed positions on various boards of the City, including but not exclusive of Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Trustees of the Trust Fund, Library Trustees, Arena Commission, Recreation, Parks and Youth Services, Welfare Appeals Board, Utility Advisory Board.

Incumbents of any Committee who have submitted Statements of Interest for reappointment and are running unopposed: the Appointments Committee reserves the right to waive the presence of the candidate.

Second paragraph amended and adopted by the City Council on 3/04/2014.

SECTION 4.22 INAUGURAL MEETING. ORDER EXERCISES

The order of exercises at the meeting held on the first Tuesday after January 1, or Wednesday, January 2, following the regular municipal election shall be as follows:

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Prayer
4. Roll Call of Councilors-Elect
5. Mayor takes Oath of Office

6. Councilors-Elect take Oath of Office
7. Roll Call of School Board Members-Elect
8. School Board Members-Elect take Oath of Office
9. Roll Call of Police Commissioners-Elect
10. Police Commissioner-Elect takes Oath of Office
11. Election of Deputy Mayor
12. Inaugural Address
13. Old and/or New Business

SECTION 4.23 COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

- (a) No member shall cause to be mailed, electronically transferred, delivered, or left at City Hall any documents or correspondence for any other member or the City Manager which does not clearly identify the name of the member sending such information and, if possible, the source of such information.
- (b) No anonymous correspondence shall be placed in any member's Council mailbox. All mail, electronic media or other correspondence shall clearly identify the sender, source and date it was received.

SECTION 4.24 MINUTES

All meetings of the City Council including all standing and special committees of the Council shall take roll call at all committee meetings and record their proceedings and provide minutes of any meeting to the City Clerk's Office in a manner prescribed under NH RSA 91-A (NH Right To Know Law).

APPENDIX

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