



Date May 24, 2021

AMENDING THE PROCEDURAL RULES OF THE DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council wish to conduct orderly and efficient meetings and to arrange its Agenda to promote such orderliness and efficiency; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council intend to improve public attendance by those having business before the Council by changing the starting time for the meeting to 5:00 pm and having any scheduled hearings begin immediately after the consent agenda; and

WHEREAS, amending the Procedural Rules of the Des Moines City Council is necessary to accomplish such objectives.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA:

That the PROCEDURAL RULES OF DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL are hereby amended by amending the Rules to reflect the attached changes in the timing and conduct of City Council meetings becoming effective at the June 14, 2021 meeting upon adoption and approval of these amendments.

Moved by _____ to adopt.

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				
BOESEN				
VOSS				
GATTO				
GRAY				
MANDELBAUM				
WESTERGAARD				
TOTAL				

CERTIFICATE

I, P. Kay Cmelik, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

Mayor

City Clerk

Part II. Time and Place of Meeting

Rule 5. Regular Meetings. The City Clerk shall prepare an annual schedule of Council meetings and forward it to the City Council, to adopt by resolution, at least 60 days prior to January 1 of each year. Regular meetings will begin at ~~4:30~~5:00 P.M. in City Council Chambers. The Council may, by resolution or motion, continue or postpone any regular meeting to another day and time, or may cancel a meeting. All regular meetings shall end by 9:00 P.M unless the Council by a 2/3 vote agrees that the meeting may continue. All hearings shall be scheduled for 5:00 P.M. the day of a regular meeting and shall commence promptly at the conclusion of the Consent Agenda and prior to consideration of any item removed from the Consent Agenda or any other Agenda item unless the presiding officer or the Council otherwise directs.

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Rule 42. Motions. At any appropriate place on the Agenda any member of the Council may make a motion for the Council to act upon any matter if the motion is germane to the matter under consideration. Any member of the Council may make a motion to recess or adjourn the meeting at any time during the meeting for any reason.