CODE ORDINANCE

Requested by: Council Member Straub

Introduced: August 22, 2005

Originally Scheduled for Public Hearing on September 12, 2005 No quorum during September 12, 2005 Council Meeting

Rescheduled to September 26, 2005

Public Hearing: September 26, 2005

Amended: September 26, 2005

Adopted: September 26, 2005

Vote: Bowen, Cox, Ewing, O'Neil, Sande and Straub in favor

CITY OF WASILLA ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 05-64(AM)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE WASILLA CITY COUNCIL AMENDING WMC 2.04.110, AGENDA, BY PROVIDING AN ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS.

- * Section 1. Classification. This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and shall become part of the city code.
- * Section 2. Amendment of section. WMC 2.04.110, Agenda, is amended to read as follows:
- A. The clerk shall prepare the agenda for each meeting after consultation with the mayor[OR DEPUTY MAYOR]. Items not on the agenda may not be discussed at the meeting unless approved by a majority vote of the council.
 - B. The order of business for each regular meeting shall be as follows:
 - I. Call to order
 - II. Roll Call
 - III. Pledge of Allegiance
 - IV. Approval of Agenda
 - V. Special Orders of the Day
 - VI. Commission and Agency Reports
 - VII. Public Participation
 - A. Public Hearing
 - B. Persons to be Heard
 - VIII. Consent Agenda
 - A. Minutes of Preceding Meeting
 - B. Introduction of Ordinances

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- C. Resolutions
- D. Action Memorandums
- IX. Unfinished business
- X. New Business
- XI. Communications
 - A. Information Memorandums
 - **B.** Commission Minutes
- XII. Mayor, Clerk and Attorney Comments
- XIII. Audience Comments
- XIV. Council Comments
- XV. Executive Session
- XVI. Adjournment
- C. At each public hearing, a member of the public may address the council for a maximum of three minutes before council discussion of the proposed action, and for a maximum of one minute between council discussion and the final vote on the proposed action.
- * Section 3. Effective date. This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption of the Wasilla City Council.

ADOPTED by the Wasilla City Council on September 26, 2005.

DIANNE M. KELLER, Mayor

ATTEST:

KRISTIE SMITHERS, MMC

City Clerk

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CITY OF WASILLA LEGISLATION STAFF REPORT

RE: ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 05-64 ADOPTING AN ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Agenda of: August 22, 2005

Originator: Kristie Smithers, MMC, City Clerk

Date: August 11, 2005

Route to:	Department		Signature/Date
Route to.	Police		
	Recreational and Cultural Services Library, Museum		
	Public Works Planning		
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REVIEWED BY MAYOR DIANNE M. KELLER:			ânne M. Keller
FISCAL IMPACT: yes\$ or no			
CUMMADV STATEMENT:			

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The proposed ordinance provides for a new order of business for regular City Council meetings. Currently the code has no formal order of business to follow during regular council meetings. This ordinance will allow for the order of business to be placed in the code.

The new proposed order of business differs from the one we have been using by allowing for public hearings to be held immediately following agency and commission reports. The Consent Agenda would be acted upon after Public Hearings and Persons to be Heard.

The new format will allow time for the public to comment under Persons to be Heard prior to the action on the consent agenda. My thought is to have a sign-up sheet in the back of the room for the public to sign-up to make comments under the Persons to be Heard portion of the agenda. If a person contacts my office prior to the agenda closing, we will place their name on the agenda to be published. However, if a member of the public misses the agenda closing, they would sign-up on the sign-up sheet and still be allowed to speak. You have noticed that we have had several additions to the Persons to be Heard portion of the agenda lately. This will eliminate the need for the additional names to be added to the agenda; the deputy clerk will obtain the list from the back of the room as the Public Hearing portion of the agenda is coming to a close. Those on the list will then be called up to speak in the order they have signed up. By using the sign-up sheet, I feel it will allow for the Council meetings to run more efficiently and also allow the public to make comments on items under the Consent Agenda before the action of the Council, something they do not currently have an opportunity to do.

Council Member Straub has expressed interest in changing the agenda format and I thank her for sponsoring this ordinance.