

RESOLUTION NO. 224

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON, REVISING THE PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT AT COUNCIL MEETINGS; AND ADDING A NEW SUBSECTION 4.4 AND AMENDING SUBSECTIONS 5.6, 6.1, 6.2 AND 6.3 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE CITY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Chapter 35A.12.120 RCW gives the City Council of each code city the power to set rules for conducting its business within the provisions of Title 35A RCW; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed its rules of procedure and wishes to amend its rules for public comment; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Amendments. Section 4, 5 and 6 of the Council's Rules of Procedure are amended as follows:

4.4 If, after the motion is made to approve the agenda, the Council is considering moving an item to the Consent Calendar, the Mayor will first call for public comment on that item in order to enable members of the audience to provide input if they wish to do so.

5.6 Order of Business for Workshops. The order of business for each Workshop shall be as follows:

Workshop (6:30 p.m.)

1. Call to Order
2. Flag Salute/Roll Call
3. City Manager's Report and Future Agendas
4. Council Reports
5. Public Comment
6. Workshop Items
- ~~7. Continued Public Comment~~
- ~~78.~~ Executive Session
- ~~89.~~ Adjournment

6.1 General Public Comment. Workshops. Speakers will be allowed to speak at the beginning and end of the meeting (Agenda Section Nos. 5 and 7) for three minutes. The total public comment period at the beginning of the meeting (Agenda Section No. 5) will be no more than thirty minutes. Members of the public may address the City Council at the beginning of any Regular or Workshop meeting under "Public Comments," Agenda Item #5, on topics other than those listed on the agenda for three minutes or less, depending on the number of people wishing to speak. The total public comment period under Agenda Item 5 will be no more than 20 minutes. Individuals will be required to sign up prior to the start of the Public Comment period and will be called upon to speak generally in the order in which they have signed. If time is available, the Presiding Officer may call for additional unsigned speakers.

6.2 Agenda Items Public Comment. City Council Regular Meetings. The Council will take public testimony at the Regular Meeting only during the Public Comment and Public Hearing Agenda Sections (Nos. 5 and 8). Individuals shall speak for no more than three minutes and the total public comment period will be limited to a maximum period of thirty minutes. Members of the public are also provided an opportunity to address the City Council for three minutes or less, depending on the number of people wishing to speak, after the staff report and before Council action on any Regular or Workshop agenda item. The total public comment period on each agenda item will be no more than 20 minutes, and comments shall be limited in scope to the specific agenda item. Individuals will be required to sign up prior to the start of the agenda item on which they wish to speak and will be called upon to speak generally in the order in which they have signed. If time is available, the Presiding Officer may call for additional unsigned speakers.

6.3 Public testimony may be given on any topic except quasi-judicial matters, but no more than three speakers will be permitted to speak to each side of any one topic authorized in Sections 6.1 and 6.2 may not include comments or information on any quasi-judicial matter pending before the City Council.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 11, 2004.



Mayor Ronald B. Hansen

ATTEST:



Sharon Mattioli, MMC
City Clerk