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**RESOLUTION NO. 299**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE,  
WASHINGTON, AMENDING COUNCIL RULES OF  
PROCEDURE RELATING TO CAMPAIGN SPEECH FOR OR  
AGAINST INDIVIDUAL CANDIDATES FOR PUBLIC OFFICE  
DURING THE PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION OF BUSINESS  
MEETINGS AND STUDY SESSIONS**

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 provisions relating to public comment to restrict campaign speech supporting or opposing individual candidates for public office; NOW THEREFORE

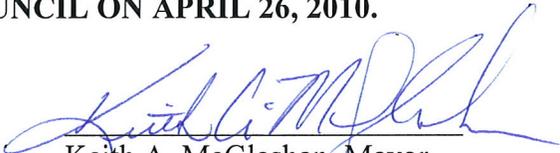
**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON  
HEREBY RESOLVES:**

**Section 1. Amendments.** Section 6 of the Council Rules of Procedure is amended as follows:

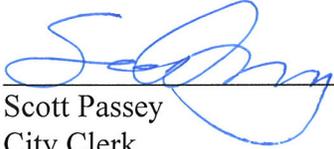
6.1 Business Meetings. Members of the public may address the City Council at the beginning of any Business Meeting under "Public Comments." During the "Public Comment" portion of the meeting, individuals may speak to agenda items, or any other topic, for three minutes or less, depending on the number of people wishing to speak. If more than 15 people are signed up to speak each speaker will be allocated 2 minutes. When representing the official position of a State registered non-profit organization or agency or a City-recognized organization, a speaker will be given 5 minutes and it will be recorded as the official position of that organization. Each organization shall have only one, five-minute presentation. The total public comment period under Agenda Item 5 will be no more than 30 minutes. Individuals will be required to sign up prior to the start of the Public Comment period. Individuals wishing to speak to agenda items will be called to speak first, generally in the order in which they have signed. If time remains, the Presiding Officer will call individuals wishing to speak to topics not listed on the agenda generally in the order in which they have signed. If time is available, the Presiding Officer may call for additional unsigned speakers. During election season, which starts when a candidate officially files with the King County Elections Office and runs through the election, no person may use public comment to promote or oppose any candidate for public office.

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ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON APRIL 26, 2010.

  
Keith A. McGlashan, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Scott Passey  
City Clerk