

## **August 22, 2012: Ordinance Committee Minutes**

Present: Councilor Hooper, Councilor Weston, Councilor Cheney, Councilor Weeden  
Absent: None

Discussion:

### **Chapter 2:**

General Legal Council Krans stated that this chapter is appropriate for continuation as a local ordinance

Councilor Cheney proposed an amendment to the chapter that would add the video recording provision to city council orientation.

Councilor Weeden recommended voting on each individual ordinance so that changes are clear to the public.

Councilor Hooper suggested that the committee wait until the end of the process and then determine how to bring the changes to the council.

By consensus section (5) was added to Chapter 2 establishing video recording of city council orientation.

### **Chapter 9:**

Councilor Weeden inferred as to how the budget deadlines were established.

City Manager Joyal stated that he worked back from the June 15th deadline in order to establish effective dates for the budget process.

Councilor Cheney requested an amendment be made to Chapter 9 requesting that the fee schedule be released to the council “on or before April 15”

City Manager Joyal asked what process we would be using to update ordinance

Councilor Weston stated that the committee had not decided what way was best to present to the council, and would be making this decision in the future.

### **Chapter 14:**

General Legal Council Krans stated that this chapter is appropriate for continuation as a local ordinance.

Planning Department representative stated that he believed “chairman” should be changed to “chair” in order to negate any gender discrepancies.

By consensus the committee agreed with the Planning department’s recommendation and changed “chairman” to “chair” in all ordinances.

**Chapter 22:**

Councilor Weston inferred as to why the numbering system in Chapter 22 was different then in previous code books.

City Manager Joyal stated that it likely was a technological typo that had occurred while printing the document.

By consensus the committee requested that this mistake be corrected.

Councilor Weston requested that the language “1 year” be changed to “365 days.”

By consensus the committee approved this change in language.

Councilor Weeden stated he believed that the period in which a councilor could be convicted of misconduct should be extended to (4) continual year.

There was no consensus on this issue, and the committee stated they would take up the issue during a future meeting.

Councilor Weeden asked why the current timeline was adopted.

General Legal Council Krans stated that it was important to have a cleansing period.

**Chapter 26:**

By consensus the committee approved the chapter as it currently is.

**Chapter 30:**

Planning Department representative stated that this chapter was no longer relevant and should be removed.

In a 4-0 vote the committee voted to remove the ordinance from the Code.

**Chapter 35**

Police Chief Colarusso recommended that the ordinance is appropriate for continuation as a local ordinance and should be kept the same.

By consensus the committee approved the chapter as it currently is.

#### **Other Business**

Councilor Hooper proposed that the committee look at Chapter 50, 53, 56, 60, 63, 66, and 71 for the next meeting.

By consensus the committee approved this recommendation.

#### **Citizen Forum**

Dave Wing stated that he was looking at the ordinances during this process through a locally owned business lens. He believed that it was important in our Code to talk about building equity and add history.