

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

May 16, 2017

City Council

STAFF

Wanda Winkelmann, City Clerk

SUBJECT

Second Reading of Ordinance No. 063, 2017 Amending Section 2-28 of the Code of the City of Fort Collins Pertaining to the Scheduling of Regular Meetings of the City Council.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Ordinance unanimously adopted on May 9, 2017, amends Section 2-28(a) of the City Code to permit the City Council, by majority vote, to move the date of a regular meeting when the meeting falls on a holiday or other event.

The Ordinance has been amended on Second Reading to remove a phrase that was duplicated in the Code language.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the Ordinance on Second Reading.

ATTACHMENTS

1. First Reading Agenda Item Summary, May 9, 2017 (w/o attachments) (PDF)
2. Ordinance No, 063, 2017 (PDF)

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SUBJECT

First Reading of Ordinance No. 063, 2017 of the Council of the City of Fort Collins Amending Section 2-28 of the Code of the City of Fort Collins Pertaining to the Scheduling of Regular Meetings of the City Council.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this item is to amend Section 2-28(a) of the City Code to permit the City Council, by majority vote, to move the date of a Regular Meeting when the meeting falls on a holiday or other event.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the Ordinance on First Reading.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

The current City Code requires that regular meetings of the City Council be held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. If that meeting date is a national holiday, the City Code requires the meeting to be held on the preceding Monday.

The Leadership Planning Team is recommending an amendment to the City Code that would permit the City Council, by majority vote, to select the day to hold the meeting (rather than limiting it to the Monday preceding). Additionally, Ordinance No. 063, 2017, permits Council to move a regularly scheduled City Council meeting that falls on the same night as another other event, such as Neighborhood Night Out, to another business day. The Ordinance also provides the flexibility for Council, by a majority vote, to set the time for the meeting to commence.

ORDINANCE NO. 063, 2017
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS
AMENDING SECTION 2-28 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY
OF FORT COLLINS PERTAINING TO THE SCHEDULING
OF REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Section 2-28(a) of the City Code provides that regular meetings of the City Council shall be held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month unless any such regularly scheduled meeting is canceled by a majority vote of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-28(a) the City Code provides if any such meeting date is a national holiday, the regular meeting shall be on the preceding Monday; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to modify Section 2-28(a) of the City Code to provide alternate methods of determining dates of regular meetings that require adjustment due to holidays and other events; and

WHEREAS, the City Council will need a majority vote to reschedule a regular meeting;

WHEREAS, the Council believes it to be in the best interests of the City to modify Section 2-28(a) of the City Code to permit such changes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS, that Section 2-28(a) of the City Code be, and hereby is, amended so as to read in its entirety as follows:

Sec. 2-28. - Regular meetings.

(a) Regular meetings of the City Council shall be held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month unless any such regularly scheduled meeting is canceled by a majority vote of the City Council. If any such meeting date falls on a national holiday or is in conflict with a significant community or City event, the City Council may by majority vote move the regular meeting to the preceding Monday or to the Wednesday, Thursday or Friday following the holiday or event. Except as otherwise determined in advance by majority vote of the City Council, each regular meeting shall commence at 6:00 p.m., ~~except as otherwise set by the City Council by majority vote.~~ The City Council may adjourn any regular meeting to a later date by majority vote of its members at such regular meeting. When reconvened at said later date, the reconvened meeting shall be considered a continuation of such regular meeting.

Introduced, considered favorably on first reading, and ordered published this 9th day of May, A.D. 2017, and to be presented for final passage on the 16th day of May, A.D. 2017.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Passed and adopted on final reading on this 16th day of May, A.D. 2017.

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