

ORDINANCE NO 225

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 181

WHEREAS, the City Council of Goshen adopted Ordinance No. 181 wherein the City Council established its rules of procedure for its meetings; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to now amend Ordinance No. 181 to clarify when public comment is allowed during City Council meetings and establish time limits for public comment; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to now amend Ordinance No. 181 to establish a new deadline for submission of any resolution, ordinance, petition, contract, lease, appointment or any other matter to be passed or considered by the City Council at its regular meetings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF GOSHEN:

SECTION 1. That Ordinance No. 181 is hereby amended as reflected in Sections 2, 3 and 4 below.

SECTION 2. Amend Section 1, Subsection M, entitled Order of Business by **deleting** the language of that section and **substituting** the following language in its place:

- i. Call to order;
- ii. Roll call;
- iii. Approval of the agenda;
- iv. Public Input;
- v. Approval of minutes;
- vi. Approval of treasury report;
- vii. Reports;
- viii. City business;
- ix. Report/Comments by Mayor, Aldermen, City Attorney or Recorder/Treasurer;
- x. Public Input;
- xi. Adjournment.

SECTION 3. Amend Section 1, Subsection O, entitled Time Allowed for Public to Speak, by **deleting** the language of that section and **substituting** the following language in its place:

Any individual providing public input immediately following the approval of the agenda and immediately prior to the adjournment of the meeting shall be allowed 2 minutes for such public input. Additionally, any individual providing public input prior to any vote of the City Council shall be allowed 1 minute for such public input. Any time allowed for public input may be extended at the discretion of the Mayor.

SECTION 4. Amend Section 1, Subsection Q, entitled Procedure for Filing Ordinances and Resolutions, subpart iii, by deleting the language in that section and substituting the following language in its place:

The city council shall not pass or consider at a regular meeting any resolution, ordinance, petition, contract, lease, appointment, or any other matter, other than communications affecting the general public, that is not filed with the recorder, mayor or office manager on or before 8:00 a.m. Friday preceding the meeting.

SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE: It is hereby declared that in order to clarify specific time allotment for public comment at all City Council Meetings, an emergency exists and this ordinance, being necessary for the immediate protection of the public's right to speak at public meetings, shall be effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 09th day of April, 2024.




Russell Stroud, Mayor

ATTEST:


Marjorie Vaillancourt, Recorder/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Brian C. Hogue, City Attorney

ROLL CALL

Names of those voting YEA

Birch Wright
John Vaillancourt
Paula Anderson
Shawn Mayfield
Max Poye
Colton Martin

Names of those voting NAY

Absent

ROLL CALL ADOPTING THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE

Names of those voting YEA

John Vaillancourt
Shawn Mayfield

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Birch Wright
Paula Anderson
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Absent