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Amendment of Rules 1, 8, 10, 37, 40, 46 and

51 of City Council Rules of Order and

Procedure to include Office of Legislative

Counsel and to allow members to seek counsel

on Rules of Order when another member is

speaking

Committee Assignment: Committee on Committees and Rules

COMMITTER ON RULES

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. Rule 1 of the Rules of Order and Procedure of the City Council, City of Chicago, for the 2023 - 2027 term is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and inserting the language underscored, as follows:

Mayor; Other Presiding Officers Of The Council.

RULE 1: The Mayor shall be the Presiding Officer of the Council.

The Council shall elect one of its members President Pro Tempore of the Council, who shall act as Presiding Officer of the Council during a temporary absence or disability of the Mayor, or when requested so to do by the Mayor. The Council shall also elect one of its members Assistant President Pro Tempore of the Council, who shall act as Presiding Officer of the Council during a temporary absence or disability of both the Mayor and the President Pro Tempore, or when requested to do so by the Mayor. The Council shall also elect one of its members Vice-Mayor. In the temporary absence of the President Pro Tempore and the Assistant President Pro Tempore, the Vice-Mayor shall act as Presiding Officer of the Council when requested to do so by the Mayor. The President Pro Tempore, the Assistant President Pro Tempore, and the Vice-Mayor of the Council, when acting as Presiding Officer, shall vote on all questions on which the vote is taken by yeas or nays, their name being called last in the event of a verbal roll call vote.

The City Council Office of Legislative Counsel Legislative Reference Bureau shall be under the joint control, supervision, and direction of the President Pro Tempore, the Assistant President Pro Tempore and the Vice-Mayor.

SECTION 2. Rule 8 of the Rules of Order and Procedure of the City Council, City of Chicago, for the 2023 - 2027 term is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and inserting the language underscored, as follows:

RULE 8. During the session of the City Council, no one, unless by consent of the Council, shall be admitted within the bar of the City Council Chamber except representatives of the press, television, radio, ex-Alderpersons except as provided in Rule 56, Office of Legislative Counsel staff, and persons invited by the Mayor or other Presiding Officer. The Mayor or Presiding Officer shall assign seats for the persons invited by them. The Committee on Committees and Rules shall assign an area or areas for media, and such area or areas shall be for the reporters and for such cameras and recording devices or other equipment as may be necessary.

No person shall at any meeting of the Council solicit any Alderperson to vote for or against any person or proposition. Nothing in this Rule 8 is intended to limit debate by Alderpersons on any pending matter, or to prohibit discussion between Alderpersons, or between Alderpersons and any City employee, concerning a pending matter.

SECTION 3. Rule 10 of the Rules of Order and Procedure of the City Council, City of Chicago, for the 2023 - 2027 term is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and inserting the language underscored, as follows:

RULE 10. No member shall speak more than once on the same question until every other member desiring to speak shall have had an opportunity to do so; provided, however, that the proponent

of the matter under consideration, or the chairman of the committee whose report is under consideration, as the case may be, shall have the right to open and close debate. No member shall speak longer than ten (10) minutes at any one time, except by consent of the Council; and in closing debate on any question, as above provided, the speaker shall be limited to five (5) minutes, except by consent of the Council.

While a member is speaking, no member shall hold any private discourse, nor pass between the member speaking and the Chair, except that members may seek counsel on the Rules of Order and Procedure from the Law Department or the Office of Legislative Counsel, provided that such discussions are kept as quiet and brief as possible out of respect for the member who holds the floor.

SECTION 4. Rule 37 of the Rules of Order and Procedure of the City Council, City of Chicago, for the 2023 - 2027 term is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and inserting the language underscored, as follows:

Jurisdiction Of Committees.

RULE 37. The jurisdiction of each standing committee, in terms of legislation and administrative activities of its particular concern, shall be as follows:

(Omitted text is unaffected by this resolution)

3. The Committee on Committees and Rules shall have jurisdiction over the Rules of Order and Procedure, the procedures of the Council and its committees, including disputes over committee jurisdiction and referrals, ward redistricting, elections and referenda, committee assignments, the conduct of Council members, the provision of services to the City Council body; matters affecting the City Clerk; and council service agencies, except the City Council Office of Legislative Counsel Legislative Reference Bureau-referenced in Rule 1. The Committee shall also have jurisdiction with regard to all corrections to the Journal of the Proceedings of the City Council.

(Omitted text is unaffected by this resolution)

SECTION 5. Rule 40 of the Rules of Order and Procedure of the City Council, City of Chicago, for the 2023 - 2027 term is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and inserting the language underscored, as follows:

Notice Of Committee Meetings; Postings, And Requirements For Written Notice And Agenda.

RULE 40. Notice of all committee meetings shall be in written or electronic form to all members of the Council, all other persons who have filed with the committee a request for notice of its meetings, all departments of the city government which may be affected by the matters to be considered at the meeting, and to the general public by posting in the Office of the City Clerk, the Office of Legislative Counsel Legislative Reference Bureau, the Municipal Reference Library and on the bulletin board in the Council Chamber. The notice shall state the day and hour of the meeting and shall contain a statement of the subject matter to be considered, or a statement that an agenda of the matters to be considered is available in the office of the committee, which agenda shall be prepared and distributed to all Alderpersons by the Committee Chair not less than forty-eight hours prior to the meeting. Notice of all subcommittee meetings shall be given to all members of the City Council.

SECTION 6. Rule 46 of the Rules of Order and Procedure of the City Council, City of Chicago, for the 2023 - 2027 term is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and inserting the language underscored, as follows:

General Provisions Concerning Ordinances.

RULE 46.

A. Introduction, Amendment And Printing Of Ordinances; Summarizing Of Ordinances In Journal.

All ordinances, orders and resolutions which are introduced in the City Council shall be submitted on paper or electronically in duplicate and the City Clerk shall deliver one (1) copy to the City Council Office of Legislative Counsel-Legislative Reference Bureau.

(Omitted text is unaffected by this resolution)

Ordinances, resolutions, or orders shall be promptly reproduced by the City Clerk, upon introduction, in sufficient quantities for distribution to each Alderperson, each elected City officer, the Law Department, the City Council Office of Legislative Counsel Legislative Reference Bureau, each department or agency of the City affected thereby and for a reasonable number of copies to be made available to the public in the City Clerk's office. Upon their adoption, the same publication requirement shall apply to amendments.

SECTION 7. Rule 51 of the Rules is hereby deleted in its entirety, and replaced with the following:

Office of Legislative Counsel; Advice on Parliamentary Procedures.

RULE 51. Office of Legislative Counsel staff shall be present at each meeting of the City Council and its committees to advise the members of the applicable body on matters related to the Rules of Order and Procedure, the procedures of the City Council and its committees, the form of motions, and other information as may be necessary in conducting the business of the City Council and its committees. Upon request of a member in possession of the floor during the consideration of any legislation by the City Council or one of its committees, Office of Legislative Counsel staff may advise and assist such member, and to the extent feasible any other member, in the course of such consideration.

SECTION 8. This resolution shall take effect on January 1, 2024.

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