

Late Backup

Meetings

- Start council meetings earlier (9 or 9:30).
 - Set hard end time of 11 pm for all meetings except for continuation of public hearings.
 - Hold public hearings for hot button items on special called meetings that would typically be Wednesdays.
 - Designate one meeting per month as the non-ceremonial meeting (no invocation, live music, or procs) and direct large public hearings to that meeting, which would not have a cut off time.
 - Cut speaker signups for items once the item is taken up by council.
 - Allow only two people to donate time per speaker instead of four.
 - Institute standard hard breaks for lunch and dinner.
- o Lunch break will be from 12:30 to 1:15 and dinner break for regular meetings starts with music/procs at 5:30 and ends at 7 pm. For meetings without music/procs, the dinner break runs from 6 to 7.

Agendas

- Extend Agenda Posting to 8 days.
- Set deadline for IFC submittal to draft agenda posting. IFC submittals must contain draft resolutions, not just posting language, in order to be posted.
- Create a separate section on agendas called "Discussion Items," and require that all IFCs be posted for discussion for at least one meeting prior to action being taken. (Routine fee waivers would not be subject to this requirement, and items that went through committees could also be excluded.)
- Change the allotted time/speaker to 2 minutes (not three) whenever more than 20 speakers sign up. Limit to 1 minute per speaker after the first twenty speakers whenever more than 30 speakers signed up. A speaker in the first group can only get donated time from another person signed up in that first group. (The chair can make equitable and equivalent allowances when groups of speakers petition for a particular order or distribution of time and when there are more than two sides.)
- Unlimited numbers of speakers when required by law. Otherwise, only the first 60 speakers signed up when the item is called are given a slot to speak.
- Outside of the above, the applicant still will have five minutes to open and an opportunity to close.