

## CodeNEXT Council Process Proposal: Amendment Portal Council Member Leslie Pool

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- **Amendment Portal.** Would establish a public-facing portal similar to the Budget Questions and CodeNEXT Questions portals. Council Members would use this portal to post amendments they intend to bring forward; it would provide a structure and central location that would make it easier for Council offices, staff, and the public to track potential amendments and prepare for Council meetings. The portal would not be used for discussion purposes; the message board would remain the online resource for Council discussion. Council offices would be able to submit directly to the portal (as they do in the CodeNEXT Questions portal) and would provide the following fields (at least):
  - **Sponsor,** which lists the Council Member who intends to bring the amendment and any other interested offices (similar to how the Concept Menu lists the Council Members supporting a budget item).
  - **Received Date,** which lists the date the Council Member initially submits the amendment through the portal.
  - **Section,** which lists the section(s) the submitting Council Member proposes to amend or add.
  - **Description,** where the submitting Council Member describes their amendment.
  - **Staff Response,** where staff can add comments relating to the amendment.
  - **Attachments,** which would link to attached documents, such as amendment language, exhibits, or other information.
  - **Status,** which lists the current status of the amendment (including information on whether an amendment has passed and the voting record).
    - **Benefit:** This would provide clarity, transparency, and structure for Council offices, staff, and the public. The proposed portal is similar to resources Council already uses for Budget Questions and CodeNEXT Questions.