

**ROSEVILLE**  
**REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

Date: January 6, 2020  
Item No.: 7.k

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Department Approval



City Manager Approval



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Item Description: Discuss City Council and Advisory Commission Rules of Procedures

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1 **BACKGROUND**

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3 Each year, the City Council reviews the City Council and Advisory Commission Rules of  
4 Procedures for ways to best conduct City business. The Rules of Procedures were last modified  
5 on August 26, 2019.

6 **REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION**

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8 The City Council should discuss the current City Council and Advisory Commission Rules and  
9 Procedures and determine if any changes should be made. If no changes are desired, no further  
10 action is needed and the current Rules of Procedure will remain in effect.

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Attachments: A: City Council and Advisory Commission Rules of Procedures

1 Revised August 26, 2019  
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4 **Roseville City Council**  
5 **and Advisory Commission**  
6 **Rules of Procedure**  
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9 **Rules Pertaining to Both the City Council and Commissions:**  
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11 **Rule 1 Rosenberg's Rules of Order**

12 The City adopts Rosenberg's Rules of Order for all meetings.  
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14 **Rule 2 Electronic and/or Paper Agenda Packets**

15 In an effort to reduce the amount of paper generated, documents will be made available  
16 electronically, when feasible.  
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18 **Rule 3 Public Comment**

19 The City will receive public comment at meetings in accordance with the following guidelines:  
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- 21 a. Public Comment at the beginning of a meeting and not pertaining to an agenda  
22 item is for the purpose of allowing the public the opportunity to express their  
23 viewpoints about policy issues facing their City government. Comments will  
24 be limited to 3 minutes per speaker or a different amount of time at the  
25 discretion of the chair.  
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- 27 b. Public Comment pertaining to agenda items is for the purpose of allowing any  
28 member of the public an opportunity to provide input on that item. These  
29 public comments will generally be received after the staff presentation on that  
30 agenda item and before discussion and deliberation. These public comments  
31 are also limited to 3 minutes per speaker or a different amount of time at the  
32 discretion of the chair.  
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- 34 c. Members of the public are always free, and encouraged, to reduce to writing  
35 their comments about city business and to submit written comments before,  
36 during, or after a meeting.  
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- 38 d. Signs may be held and displayed during meetings but only at the back of the  
39 Council Chambers so that the view of the seated audience is not obstructed.  
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- 41 e. Public comment, like staff and Council or commission member comments,  
42 will pertain to the merits of an issue; personal attacks will be ruled out of  
43 order.  
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- 46 f. The Mayor or presiding officer may make special time-length arrangements  
47 for speakers representing a group.  
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49 **Rule 4 Issue and Meeting Curfew**

50 The City recognizes that meetings are for the benefit of the citizens of Roseville so meetings will  
51 end by 10:00 p.m. Meetings may be extended upon the majority vote of the City Council or  
52 commission members present, but at no time will a meeting run past 11:00 p.m. If business  
53 remains on the agenda, the Council or commission may continue the meeting to a future date or  
54 table such items until the next meeting, if needed.  
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56 **Rule 8 Recording of Meetings**

57 Except for closed executive sessions authorized under state law, all meetings of the City Council  
58 and commissions shall be shown live when technically possible and recorded in their entirety for  
59 replaying on the municipal cable channel and for web streaming except when the City Council  
60 directs by motion otherwise.  
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62 **Rule 9 Suspension of Rules**

63 Pursuant to Rosenberg's Rules of Order, these Rules may be suspended in specific situations  
64 upon a 2/3s vote of the members present.  
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66 **Rule 10 Effective Date**

67 These Rules shall become effective upon adoption by a majority of the City Council and shall  
68 remain in effect until amended or repealed by subsequent vote of the Council.  
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71 **Rules Pertaining to the City Council Only**  
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73 **Rule 11 Timing of Council Packet Formation and Delivery**

74 Every effort will be made to send draft agendas and supporting documents to Councilmembers  
75 ten days in advance of an item appearing on a Council agenda. This additional time will give  
76 Councilmembers adequate time to study an issue and seek answers to questions.  
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78 **Rule 12 Agenda**

79 The following shall be the order of business of the City Council:  
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- 81 1) Roll Call
- 82 2) Pledge of Allegiance
- 83 3) Approve Agenda
- 84 4) Public Comment
- 85 5) Recognitions and Donations
- 86 6) Items Removed from Consent Agenda
- 87 7) Business Items\*
- 88 8) Approval of Minutes

- 89 9) Consent Agenda
- 90 10) Future Agenda Review, Communications, Reports, and Announcements -
- 91 Council and City Manager.
- 92 11) Adjourn
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95 \* Business Items may include Presentations, Discussions, Public Hearings, Work Session Items,  
96 and/or other Council Actions, as appropriate.

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98 The Council will schedule a 10-minute break approximately two hours after the start of meeting.

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100 Councilmembers are encouraged to introduce new items including background information and  
101 supporting materials for discussion and possible action. Councilmembers have the right to place  
102 items on the agenda as follows:

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104 A Councilmember may, at a council meeting, request that an action item be placed on a  
105 future council agenda, or;

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107 A Councilmember may make a request for an agenda item outside of a council meeting  
108 by submitting an email request to the city manager, with a copy of the email to the other  
109 Councilmembers, no later than noon of the Wednesday preceding the council meeting.  
110 That agenda item will be included on the agenda for the next council meeting under the  
111 heading “Councilmember Initiated Future Agenda Items” for notice purposes only, not  
112 for action or removal from future agendas, but will not be an action item. The item will  
113 become a regular council agenda item (i.e., for discussion and action) at the subsequent  
114 council meeting, or;

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116 A Councilmember may request the addition of an agenda item at the same meeting at which  
117 the item is to be addressed. However, the addition of an agenda item shall require the  
118 approval of a majority of the Councilmembers present.

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120 **Rule 13 City Council Task Force or Subcommittee Formation**

121 The Council may, as issues arise, establish a two-member task force to study the issue. The  
122 membership will be agreed upon by the City Council majority. The task force will have a specific  
123 topic or issue to address and the task force will report its findings or recommendations by a  
124 specific deadline established by the Council.

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