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C. MEETINGS

1. Regular meetings - Time of meeting

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2. Regular meetings - Place of meetings

(a) City Hall

Unless notice is given pursuant to Rule C.2.b. of these Rules, all regular meetings of the Council shall be held in the City Council Chambers on the first floor of City Hall and all study session meetings shall be held either in the City Council Chambers or another properly noticed location.

(b) Changed meeting place

Any meeting of the Council may be held at a place other than that required by Rule C.2.a. hereof on proper notice of a changed meeting place.

(c) Special meetings

Special meetings may be called by the presiding officer or by a majority of the members ~~by two members~~ of the Council pursuant to RCW 42.30.080, as provided for in the City Charter. Types of special meetings that may be called include study sessions, Council briefings, retreats of the Council, joint meeting with another elected body, and emergency meetings (see C 6 below).

3. Meetings - Items considered

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(b) Any City Council member(s) may, under "Other Business", propose that an item(s) or issue(s) be referred to City staff for research and review, be assigned to a specific committee of the Council for research and review, be assigned to a specific advisory committee to the Council, and/or be added to the agenda of the next available City Council regular meeting so that such item(s) or issue(s) can be considered by the full Council, provided that such a proposal receives a positive majority vote by the City Council members present.

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