



Office of the Mayor

TIME CRITICAL AGENDA MATERIAL

Meeting Date: November 29, 2022

Item Description: Excused Absence for Councilmember Ben Bartlett

Under Article V, Section 19 of the City Charter, the Council can excuse a member of the Council who is absent from a meeting due to “illness or the illness or death of a close family member”. Typically, such a request is submitted by the Mayor’s Office upon notification of a Councilmember making this request. Councilmember Bartlett was unable to attend the September 29th meeting due to illness of a close family member, but confirmation of this request came in after the deadline for item submittal for the November 29th meeting due to seeking verification that this was an eligible request for excusing the absence.

Time Critical Items. A Time Critical item is defined as a matter that is considered urgent by the sponsor and that has a deadline for action that is prior to the next meeting of the Council and for which a report prepared by the City Manager, Auditor, Mayor or Council Member is received by the City Clerk after established deadlines and is not included on the Agenda Committee’s published agenda.

The author of the report shall bring any reports submitted as Time Critical to the meeting of the Agenda Committee. **Per BMC 2.06.060 (D), Time Critical items must be accompanied by complete reports and statements of financial implications.**

If the Agenda Committee finds the matter to meet the definition of Time Critical, the Agenda Committee may place the matter on the Agenda on either the Consent or Action Calendar



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CONSENT CALENDAR

November 29, 2022

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Mayor Jesse Arreguín
Subject: Excused Absence for Councilmember Ben Bartlett

RECOMMENDATION

Excuse Councilmember Ben Bartlett from the September 29, 2022 Council meeting as a result of illness

BACKGROUND

Pursuant to the City Charter, Article V, § 19, the City Council must approve an absence by a Councilmember from a meeting in order for that absence to be considered excused. Specifically, it states:

If the Mayor or any member of the Council is absent from one or more regular meetings of the Council during any calendar month, unless excused by the Council in order to attend to official business of the City, or unless excused by the Council as a result of their own illness or the illness or death of a “close family member” as defined in the City’s bereavement policy from attending no more than two regular meetings in any calendar year, they shall be paid for each regular meeting attended during such months in an amount equal to the monthly remuneration divided by the number of regular meetings held during such month.

Councilmember Bartlett was unable to provide a 72-hour notice of his absence from the September 29, 2022 Council meeting due to a close family member illness.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

Not applicable

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