



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR
January 30, 2018

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
 From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager
 Subject: Referral Response: City Council Rules of Procedure and Order

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution revising the City Council Rules of Procedure and Order to amend Chapter III, Section C and Chapter III, Section E to authorize the Agenda Committee to reorder the agenda as needed, and rescinding any preceding amendatory resolutions.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

None.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

This report and resolution are a response to a short term referral sponsored by Councilmember Worthington and adopted by the City Council on December 5, 2017. The item authorizes the Agenda Committee to re-order the agenda as needed. The intent of the item is to allow the Agenda Committee to re-order the agenda to facilitate the timely consideration of urgent items and to consider such factors as the needs of certain stakeholder groups (elderly, students, families with small children) when setting the order of the items to be heard.

The proposed language below will be inserted in Chapter III, Section C:

d) The Agenda Committee shall have the authority to re-order the items on the Action Calendar regardless of the default sequence prescribed in Chapter III, Section E of the Rules of Procedures and Order.

The proposed language below will be inserted in Chapter III, Section E:

The Agenda Committee shall have the authority to re-order the items on the Action Calendar regardless of the default sequence prescribed in this section.

BACKGROUND

The City Council Rules of Procedure and Order governs the duties of the Council, the conduct of meetings, the agenda, procedural matters and facilities. The rules have been amended as necessary over time to improve the function of the Agenda Committee and the conduct of City Council meetings.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

There are no identifiable environmental effects or opportunities associated with the subject of this report.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

This update is in response to direction from the Council adopted at the December 5, 2017 meeting.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

None.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments:

1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

RE-ADOPTING THE CITY COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE AND ORDER

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Council Rules of Procedure and Order incorporated by reference shall govern all proceedings of the City Council therein described, subject to the exception and deviations provided for in such rules.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that violation of these rules shall not be construed as a penal offense, except as provided for by the adopted Rules of Procedure.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Chapter III, Section C is amended to include the language below.

- d) The Agenda Committee shall have the authority to re-order the items on the Action Calendar regardless of the default sequence prescribed in Chapter III, Section E of the Rules of Procedures and Order.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Chapter III, Section E is amended to include the language below.

The Agenda Committee shall have the authority to re-order the items on the Action Calendar regardless of the default sequence prescribed in this section.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all preceding amendatory resolutions are hereby rescinded.

