

**MAPLE VALLEY, WASHINGTON
ORDINANCE NO. O-13-539**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 2.15, CITY COUNCIL, OF THE MAPLE VALLEY MUNICIPAL CODE, ELIMINATING THE MEETING REQUIREMENT OF THE REGULAR STUDY SESSION PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND PROVIDING FOR CORRECTIONS.

WHEREAS, the City Council has the authority to amend its ordinances consistent with the powers granted to it by Title 35A Revised Code of Washington, and Chapter 42.30 Revised Code of Washington; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 2.15.020 of the Maple Valley Municipal Code provides that the City Council shall meet on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. for purposes of a Council study session; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to eliminate the meeting requirement of the Regular Study Session which is held the first Monday of every month;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY, WASHINGTON DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Chapter Amended. The City Council hereby amends Chapter 2.15, City Council, of the Maple Valley Municipal Code (new text is shown in underline, deleted text is shown in ~~strike-through~~):

Sections:

2.15.020 Council Meetings.

~~A. The City Council shall meet on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 PM for purposes of a Council Study Session. A Council Study Session is for the primary purpose of introduction of new legislation and new policy by City staff. As a general rule, no action requiring a Council vote will be taken by the Council during a Council Study Session unless such action has been properly noticed as a Special Meeting.~~

BA. The City Council shall meet on the second and fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 PM for purposes of a Regular Business Meeting except that no Regular Business Meeting shall be held the second Monday in August, or the fourth Monday in December. A Regular Business Meeting may include action items requiring a Council vote on such

matters as ordinances and resolutions, contracts requiring Council approval, bills for the payment of money, grant or revocation of franchise, etc. Public hearings shall occur during Regular Business Meetings.

~~EB.~~ The location for City Council ~~Study Sessions and~~ Regular Business Meetings shall be the Tahoma School District Administrative Offices located at: 25720 Maple Valley Black Diamond Road (SR 169), Maple Valley, Washington, unless otherwise noticed. When the location of a City Council ~~Study Session or~~ Regular Business Meeting has changed, the change in location shall be noticed as a Special Meeting.

~~DC.~~ Any Council meeting that falls on a Monday which is a legal holiday shall occur the following Tuesday, and shall be noticed as a Special Meeting.

~~ED.~~ All ~~City Council Study Sessions,~~ Regular Business Meetings and Special Meetings shall be open to the public, except for such times when the Council adjourns into executive session as provided by law, or when Council is legally allowed to meet in closed session.

~~EE.~~ All ~~City Council Study Sessions,~~ City Council Regular Business Meetings and Special Meetings shall be presided over by the Mayor, or in the Mayor's absence, by the Deputy Mayor. A majority of the membership of the City Council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The Council may adopt Rules of Procedure establishing its own rules and order of business, for the conduct of meetings, and the maintenance of order. At the desire of any Council member, any question shall be voted upon by roll call and the ayes and nays shall be recorded. The passage of any ordinance, grant or revocation of franchise or license, and any resolution for the payment of money shall require the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the whole membership of the Council.

~~EF.~~ Special Meetings may be called pursuant to RCW 42.30.080, as written or hereafter amended. The business to be transacted at a Special Meeting must be properly noticed in a Notice of Special Meeting, and final disposition shall not be taken on any other matter by the City Council.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance, or its application to any person or circumstance, be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid for any reason, or should any portion of this ordinance be preempted by state or federal law or regulation, such decision or preemption shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance or its application to other persons or circumstances.

Section 3. Effective Date. A Summary of this ordinance shall be published in the official newspaper of the City, and shall take effect and be in full force five days after adoption and publication.

Section 4. Corrections by City Clerk or Code Reviser. Upon approval of the City Attorney, the City Clerk and the Code Reviser are authorized to make necessary corrections to this Ordinance, including the correction of clerical errors; references to other local, state or federal laws, codes, rules, or regulations; or section/subsection numbering.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY, WASHINGTON
ON THIS 9TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2013.

William T. Allison, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shaunna Lee-Rice, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Patricia Taraday, City Attorney

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