

RESOLUTION NO. 1295

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EDMONDS, WASHINGTON, REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 292, WHICH ADOPTED RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR CONDUCT OF COUNCIL MEETINGS; ADOPTING ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER WITH MODIFICATIONS AS THE CITY COUNCIL'S NEW RULES OF PROCEDURE.

WHEREAS, the city council adopted Resolution No. 292 in 1974, which adopted rules of procedure for conduct of council meetings; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 292 did not adopt Robert's Rules of Order; and

WHEREAS, it has been recommended that the city council use Robert's Rules of Order with modifications identified by the city council, now therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EDMONDS, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. REPEALER. Resolution No. 292 is hereby repealed.

Section 2. ADOPTION OF ROBERT'S RULES. The city council hereby adopts Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, 11th Edition, as its official rules for conducting council meetings. The city council intends that the city official serving as parliamentarian should consult this version of Robert's Rules when asked to provide guidance on a procedural question. City council members wishing to use a shorter version of Robert's Rules for their own convenience should use Robert's Rules of Order In Brief, but the council does not recognize this volume as an authority nor as the city council's official rules.

Section 3. MODIFICATIONS TO ROBERT'S RULES. The city council hereby adopts the following modifications to the Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, 11th Edition:

1. Contrary to the ** footnote on Page 35 and first bullet point on page 488, motions before the city council must be seconded.
2. Contrary to page 43, line 23 of Robert's Rules of Order, the Mayor participates in discussion and debate only with the permission of the Council and does not make motions. Tiebreaker votes by the Mayor will be as provided by Washington State law.

Section 4. MATTERS NOT COVERED. Any matter of order or procedure not covered by the modifications set forth in this resolution shall be decided by the presiding officer pursuant to state law, city ordinance, and Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, 11th edition (in that order of priority), with the assistance and advice of the City Attorney.

Section 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. Robert's Rules of Order as modified in Section 3 will be the official rules of procedure for the conduct of council meetings effective August 6, 2013.

RESOLVED this 16th day of July, 2013.

CITY OF EDMONDS


MAYOR, DAVID O. EARLING

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK, SANDRA CHASE

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: 07-12-2013
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: 07-16-2013
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