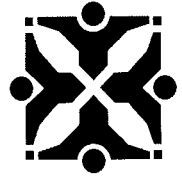


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Agenda Item Number: B 114-15

Department Source: Law

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: 5/4/2015

Re: Amendment to Chapter 2 of the City Code Relating to the Public Transit Advisory Commission

Documents Included With This Agenda Item

Council memo, Resolution/Ordinance

Supporting documentation includes: None

Executive Summary

The proposed ordinance to amend Chapter 2 of the City Code relating to the public transit advisory commission is sponsored by Councilmember Thomas. The proposed amendments would change the timing of the annual election of officers to April and adds conditions under which a commissioner would forfeit office for non-attendance.

Discussion

Councilmember Thomas proposes two amendments to the public transit advisory commission. The first amendment is to change the timing of the annual election of officers to April to synchronize with the term appointments at the end of March. The second amendment adds the concept of "excused/unexcused absences" and automatic forfeiture from the commission for members who are absent and not excused from twenty-five (25) percent of the regular commission meetings in a calendar year, or any member who is absent without being excused from three (3) consecutive meetings. This concept is common for many of the City's boards and commissions.

The two amendments have been reviewed and unanimously endorsed by the public transit advisory commission.

Staff is recommending consideration of the proposed amendments.

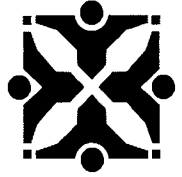
Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: Not applicable.

Long-Term Impact: Not applicable.

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Vision, Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Vision Impact: Not Applicable

Strategic Plan Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impact: Not Applicable

Suggested Council Action

None.

Legislative History

None.



Department Approved

City Manager Approved

Introduced by _____

First Reading _____

Second Reading _____

Ordinance No. _____

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AN ORDINANCE

amending Chapter 2 of the City Code as it relates to officers and attendance requirements for the public transit advisory commission; and fixing the time when this ordinance shall become effective.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, Missouri, is hereby amended as follows:

Material to be deleted in ~~strikeout~~; material to be added underlined.

Sec. 2-339. Officers.

The commission shall annually elect one of its members as chair at the first meeting in April after the beginning of each fiscal year. The chair shall appoint a vice-chair from the remaining commission members. The chair shall preside at all meetings. In the absence of the chair or the chair's inability to preside, the vice-chair shall preside. The commission rules may specify the duties of the officers.

Sec. 2-340. Meetings; quorum; rules.

The commission shall meet at least quarterly. Seven (7) members shall constitute a quorum to do business. The commission may adopt rules for the conduct of its business. The chair of the commission is authorized to excuse any member from attendance at a commission meeting; provided, that the member requested to be excused before the meeting. Any member who is absent, without being excused, from twenty-five (25) percent of the regular commission meetings held in a calendar year shall automatically forfeit the office. Any member who is absent, without being excused, from three (3) consecutive regular meetings shall automatically forfeit the office. The chair shall promptly notify the city council through the city clerk of such vacancy.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2015.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Counselor