

ORDINANCE NO. 2523

INTRODUCED BY: ALLEN-THOMAS, CHACON, DOUGLAS, FORD, HURST, HUSEMAN, KIM, MADERA, NOBLE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING COMMERCE CITY REVISED MUNICIPAL CODE (CCRMC) SECTION 2-2001 TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS FROM TWO TO THREE A MONTH AND DECREASE THE NUMBER OF STUDY SESSIONS FROM TWO TO ONE A MONTH

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Charter of the City of Commerce City (“Charter”), the City Council of the City of Commerce City (“City”) has all legislative powers and functions of municipal government as reserved to it by the Colorado Constitution and the laws of the state of Colorado;

WHEREAS, Section 4.21 of the Charter requires that the City Council shall provide, by ordinance, the time, place, and number of regular council meetings each month;

WHEREAS, Section 2-2001 of the Commerce City Revised Municipal Code (the “Code”) describes the times, place, and number of regular meetings of the City Council;

WHEREAS, Section 4.24 of the Charter provides that “no formal or legally binding action by the council for the city shall be taken at any such [. . .] study sessions”;

WHEREAS, the volume of business that City Council must address at a regular meeting has increased, leading to very long regular meetings and the inability to meaningfully address other business and take action; and

WHEREAS, City Council desires to add a regular meeting to every month in lieu of a study session in order to allow City Council to take action on business and keep meetings to a reasonable length of time, but retain the ability to change by motion the time, location or cancel any regular meeting or study session as necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Findings. The recitals to this ordinance are incorporated as findings of the City Council. This ordinance is found to be supported and authorized by law and in the best interests of and necessary for the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

SECTION 2. Amendments. Section 2-2001 of the CCRMC is hereby amended as set forth in Exhibit A.

SECTION 3. Repealer. All ordinances or portions thereof inconsistent or conflicting with this ordinance or any portion hereof, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage.

INTRODUCED, PASSED ON FIRST READING AND PUBLIC NOTICE ORDERED THIS 15TH DAY OF MAY 2023.

PASSED ON SECOND AND FINAL READING AND PUBLIC NOTICE ORDERED THIS 5TH DAY OF JUNE 2023.

CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO

Benjamin A. Huseman, Mayor

ATTEST

Dylan A. Gibson, City Clerk

EXHIBIT A TO ORDINANCE 2523

*****BEGIN*****

Sec. 2-2001. Regular meetings and study sessions.

Regular meetings of the city council shall commence at 6:00 p.m. on the first, second, and third Mondays of each month and study sessions of the city council shall commence at 6:00 p.m. on the fourth Monday of each month in the civic center located at 7887 E. 60th Avenue, Commerce City, Colorado. By motion, the city council may change the time of, the location of, or cancel any regular meeting or study session of the city council.

*****END*****

EXHIBIT B

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