



City Council

Approval of an Ordinance Amending Olympia Municipal Code Chapters 2.06 and 2.100 Related to Council Committees and Citizen- Member Boards and Commissions

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Move to approve the ordinance amending Olympia Municipal Code (OMC) Chapters 2.06 and 2.100 related to council committees and citizen-member boards and commissions on second reading.

Report

Issue:

Whether to amend the OMC to reflect new term limits on advisory boards and commissions, which was established by vote of the City Council on May 22, 2018.

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Presenter(s):

None - Consent Calendar Item.

Background and Analysis:

Background and analysis has not changed from first to second reading.

On March 28, 2018, the General Government Committee met with advisory board and commission chairs, vice chairs and staff liaisons to assess the workflow and effectiveness of the advisory boards and their relationship to the General Government Committee. There was an interest in encouraging broader participation, varied perspectives and diversity of voices and experiences on the City's citizen-member boards and commissions.

Based on those conversations, the Committee recommended establishing term limits for appointees of no more than three (3) full terms, or nine (9) years, on any specific board or committee - except the Design Review Board. Partial terms would not be counted toward the number of terms considered, and appointees who have reached the term limit on any one committee remain eligible to apply and serve on a different committee.

At its May 22, 2018, meeting the Olympia City Council voted to approve establishing the new term limits and conditions. Currently, Olympia Municipal Code (OMC) Section 2.100.050.C sets no limit to the number terms an appointed member could serve on a board, commission or advisory committee. The OMC must be amended to appropriately reflect the decision of Council. There was also an interest to amend the OMC to provide a mechanism to waive term limits in exigent circumstances such as maintaining a citizen member with exceptional historical knowledge, or when insufficient applications are submitted.

OMC Chapter 2.06 would be amended to provide consistency between it and Chapter 2.100

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

N/A

Options:

1. Approve the ordinance amending Olympia Municipal Code (OMC) Chapters 2.06 and 2.100 related to council committees and citizen-member boards and commissions.
2. Modify and then approve the ordinance amending Olympia Municipal Code (OMC) Chapters 2.06 and 2.100 related to council committees and citizen-member boards and commissions
3. Do not approve the ordinance amending Olympia Municipal Code (OMC) Chapters 2.06 and 2.100 related to council committees and citizen-member boards and commissions.

Financial Impact:

N/A

Attachments:

Ordinance