

CITY OF SURPRISE
Rules Committee Meeting
16000 North Civic Center Plaza
Surprise, AZ 85374

Thursday, September 22, 2022 @ 3 pm
Council Chambers Overflow Room

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Mayor Aly Cline (Chair) called the **Rules Committee meeting** to order at 3 pm.

ROLL CALL

In attendance with Chair Cline was Councilmember Jack Hastings.

STAFF PRESENT

City Attorney Robert Wingo and Government Relations Administrator Jodi Tas were also present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CURRENT EVENTS AND REPORTS

None.

STAFF REPORTS

None.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEM – Non-Public Meeting

1. Discussion of potential amendments to the Council Policies and Procedures Manual.

After a review of the manual, Councilman Hastings requested the review of Rule 10 – Accepting Gifts with a focus on the application and enforcement(s) of it. At the request of Councilman Hastings, Mr. Wingo will re-draft the rule defining gifts as well as a simplification of the compliance of it.

Under Rules of Conduct and Demeanor, Chair Cline discussed Rule 5 – Transparent Governance, particularly more clarity on the sharing of city events on personal or private social media accounts.

Under the same section, Rule 6 – Advocacy was discussed. Councilman Hastings asked Robert to review this particular rule since individual Councilmembers are frequently contacted for comments on City business.

Chair Cline discussed Rule 7 – Vice Mayor Cline suggested removing the word “forward”.

Chair Cline suggested adding “appointees” in Rule 8 – Positive Work Place Environment.

Rule 9 – Conflict of Interest was discussed. Modifications were suggested pertaining to refraining from voting.

Under Parliamentary Procedure, Rule 6 – Debate, Chair Cline asked Robert to confirm it is clear with regards to the process and to define what a majority is.

OTHER BUSINESS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Cline would like to add “Review of Boards and Commission Handbook” to the next agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Cline made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Hastings seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 3:38 pm.

Vice Mayor Aly Cline, Chair

ATTEST:

Jodi A. Tas, Staff Liaison

CERTIFICATION:

I, Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk for the City of Surprise, Maricopa County, Arizona, do hereby verify that these are the true and correct minutes of the Rules Committee Meeting of **Thursday, September 22, 2022.**

Sherry Ann Aguilar, City Clerk, MMC