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CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL
Meeting Date: 7/16/2024

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LGL - Amend Chapter 2

Agenda Item#: 4.

Summary:

ORDINANCE **AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, HOUSTON, TEXAS**, relating to the Council Rules of Procedure including the submission of Agenda Items by Council Members

Background:

It is recommended that City Council approve an ordinance amending the Council Rules of Procedure in Chapter 2 of the City's Code of Ordinances.

On November 7, 2023, a majority of the qualified voters of the City of Houston voted to amend Article VII, Section 3 of the Houston City Charter to enable three or more City Council Members to place an item on a regular City Council meeting agenda.

Mayor Whitmire established the Proposition A Council Committee to provide a forum compliant with the Texas Open Meetings Act for the discussion and development of proposed agenda items by Council Members for the City Council agenda as well as rules of procedure for Council Member-sponsored agenda items in compliance with the City Charter and other relevant law.

On June 25, 2024, the Proposition A Council Committee approved, as amended, proposed rules for Council Member-sponsored agenda items for consideration as amendments to the Council Rules of Procedure in Section 2-2 of the City's Code of Ordinances.

The Administration also proposes a housekeeping change to Council Rule 7 (Recesses Rule) eliminating the mandatory lunch recess.

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ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
Ordinance	Ordinance/Resolution/Motion
Table Amendment Document	Backup Material
Rules Approved by Proposition A Council Committee As Amended 06.25.2024	Backup Material