

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM
CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE: Election of a Temporary Presiding Officer for the January 14, 2019 City Council Meeting
DEPARTMENT: CMO/CCK
PRESENTED BY: Jessica Simulcik Smith, City Clerk
ACTION: ☐ Ordinance ☐ Resolution ☒ Motion
 ☐ Discussion ☐ Public Hearing

PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:

City Council Rule of Procedure 2.3(A) provides that the Mayor, or in the Mayor's absence, the Deputy Mayor, shall be the Presiding Officer of the Council and conduct Council meetings. This same rule states that in the absence of both the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, the Council shall elect one of its members to act as a Temporary Presiding Officer.

A workshop dinner meeting and a regular meeting of the City Council are scheduled for January 14, 2019. Mayor Hall will be absent on January 14, 2019, and the Deputy Mayor position will be vacant given Deputy Mayor Salomon's departure from the Council to serve as the State Senator for the 32nd Legislative District. Given the absence of both the Mayor and Deputy Mayor, tonight the Council needs to elect a Temporary Presiding Officer for the January 14, 2019 Council Meetings.

Council Rule of Procedure 2.3(A) is silent as to the process by which a Temporary Presiding Officer is elected. Thus, for this election, Council will follow the process outlined in Council Rule 2.2(D) for the election of a Deputy Mayor. This rule states:

- The Mayor shall call for nominations for a Temporary Presiding Officer for the January 14, 2019 Council Meetings.
- No Councilmember may nominate more than one person until every member wishing to nominate a candidate has an opportunity to do so. Nominations do not require a second.
- The Mayor will repeat each nomination until all nominations have been made.
- When it appears that no one else wishes to make any further nominations, the Mayor will ask again for further nominations and if there are none, the Mayor will declare the nominations closed. A motion to close the nominations is not necessary.
- After nominations have been closed, voting for Temporary Presiding Officer takes place in the order nominations were made. Only affirmative votes for Temporary Presiding Officer shall be given and Councilmembers will be asked to vote by a raise of hands.

- As soon as one of the nominees receives a majority vote (four affirmative votes), the Mayor will declare that nominee elected as Temporary Presiding Officer for the January 14th meeting. No votes will be taken on the remaining nominees.
- If none of the nominees receives a majority vote, the Mayor will call for nominations again and repeat the process until a single candidate receives a majority vote.

RESOURCE/FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no financial impact for this action.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that Councilmembers offer nominations for Temporary Presiding Officer for January 14, 2019 and vote on the nominees by Council motion as provided in Council Rule 2.2(D).

Approved By: City Manager **DT** City Attorney **MK**