

**ORIGINAL**

**ORDINANCE 2010 - 22**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF SUNNYSIDE, WASHINGTON, AMENDING  
SECTIONS 2.08.020, 2.08.030, AND 2.08.040  
OF THE SUNNYSIDE MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS, COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETINGS,  
AND SPECIAL MEETINGS**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Sunnyside has previously adopted ordinances codified at Chapter 2.08 of the Sunnyside Municipal Code establishing number and occurrence of regular Council meetings, including Council workshop meetings; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds and determines that, in order to provide open and efficient operations of City Council meetings, and to promote administration of the affairs of the city, it is necessary and appropriate to amend Sections 2.08.020, 2.08.030 and 2.08.040 of the Sunnyside Municipal Code pertaining to regular, special and workshop Council meetings,; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds and determines that such amendment will promote the general health, safety and welfare.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNNYSIDE, WASHINGTON, as follows:**

**Section 1.** Section 2.08.020 of the Sunnyside Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

**2.08.020 Meetings – Dates and time.**

A. Regular Meetings. Except as otherwise provided below, the City Council shall hold two regular meetings each month at the hour of ~~7:00~~6:30 p.m., unless otherwise specifically provided, on the second and fourth Mondays of each and every month; provided, however, that there shall be no regular meeting on the fourth Monday of December. In the event any meeting date should be a legal holiday, then any such meeting falling on such holiday shall be held on the next succeeding business day at ~~7:00~~6:30 p.m., unless otherwise specifically provided.

B. Workshop Meetings. The City Council shall hold ~~two~~ one workshop meetings each month at the hour of 6:030 p.m., unless otherwise specifically provided, on the ~~first~~ second and fourth Mondays of each and every month; ~~provided, however, that there shall be no regular meeting on the fourth Monday of December.~~ In the event any meeting date should be a legal holiday, then any such meeting falling on such holiday shall be held on the next succeeding business day at 6:030 p.m., unless otherwise specifically provided.

**Section 2.** Section 2.08.030 of the Sunnyside Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

**2.08.030 Regular and Workshop meetings – Location.**

All meetings of the City Council shall be held at the City Council Chambers of the City or at such other time and place that the council may establish by resolution (motion); provided, that at the discretion of the City Council, said meetings may be adjourned for any good reason to any other appropriate place within the City.

**Section 3.** Section 2.08.040 of the Sunnyside Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

**2.08.040 Special meetings.**

Special meetings shall be called in accordance with RCW 42.30.080. Special meetings of the City Council may be called at any time by the Mayor of the City in the manner provided by statute and the Mayor shall be required to call such special meetings upon petition signed by at least four members of the Council; provided, however, that the City Council shall not adopt any ordinance, resolution, rule, regulation, order, or directive at such special meetings unless such special meeting is open to the public and public notice thereof has been given, as required by Chapter 42.30 RCW. ~~All special meetings shall commence at 7:00 p.m., unless otherwise specifically provided.~~

The City Clerk shall prepare a notice of the special meeting, stating the time, place, and business to be transacted, and personally serve notice upon each of the city council at least 24 hours before the time of meeting. The City Clerk shall attempt to notify each member of the council in person, by mail, by fax, or by electronic mail. The City Clerk shall give notice of the special meeting to the City's official newspaper and other media of record. The city council may not make final disposition of any matter not mentioned in the notice. Written notice may be waived in writing by any councilmember and is waived by his presence at the meeting.

Special meetings may be called by the Mayor in less than 24 hours, and without the notice required in this section, to deal with emergencies involving injury or damage to persons or property or the likelihood of such injury or damage if the notice requirements would be impractical or increase the likelihood of such injury or damage.

**Section 4.** Except as amended above, Chapter 2.08 of the Sunnyside Municipal Code shall remain unchanged.

**Section 5.** This ordinance shall be effective five days after passage, approval and publication as required by law.

PASSED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of October 2010.

  
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JAMES A. RESTUCCI, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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DEBORAH A. ESTRADA, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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