

ORDINANCE 2012 - 02

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF SUNNYSIDE, WASHINGTON, AMENDING  
CHAPTER 2.09 OF THE SUNNYSIDE MUNICIPAL CODE TO  
ALLOW THE CHAIR/VICE CHAIR BE  
BE SELECTED BY CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS  
ON THE SUBCOMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Chapter 35A.13 of the Revised Code of Washington, the City Council is charged with the legislative authority of the City of Sunnyside;

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 2.09 of the Sunnyside Municipal Code establishes Council Standing Subcommittees for the purpose of advising and educating City Council members;

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined that chapter 2.09 should be amended to allow the chair/vice chair be selected by the City Council members on each subcommittee;

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined that revising Chapter 2.09 of the Sunnyside Municipal Code to reflect same is in the best interest of the residents of the City of Sunnyside and 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 2.09.050 Terms – Membership of the Sunnyside Municipal Code which reads as follows:

**2.09.050 Terms – Membership.**

A. Subcommittees will consist of three elected members, the City Manager and one or more department directors; provided that the number of department directors shall not be greater than the number of elected members. The department directors shall be appointed by the City Manager. Additionally, a staff liaison will be appointed by the City Manager, and will act as the subcommittee secretary. Each elected member of a subcommittee shall serve a one-year term, and no elected

member shall serve more than one term consecutively on the same subcommittee. Elected members will be selected by position or district number, whichever may apply, and, beginning 2012, will be appointed by the Mayor at the first annual regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council with any objections being decided by a majority vote of the City Council; provided, that the initial appointment process will be conducted at the first regularly scheduled meeting following the adoption of the ordinance codified in this chapter. The Mayor shall appoint elected members in such a way as to ensure that all members have an opportunity to serve on all subcommittees during a four-year term as a Councilmember.

B. Each subcommittee shall have a designated chair and vice chair, who shall coordinate the development of agendas, facilitate subcommittee meetings, and report back to the COTW. The chair/vice chair shall rotate among the City Council members on each subcommittee based on the lowest position number. Each chair/vice chair shall serve for four consecutive subcommittee meetings, at which point the role of chair/vice chair shall rotate to the next highest position number.

**Is amended to read as follows:**

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B. Each subcommittee shall have a designated chair and vice chair, who shall coordinate the development of agendas, facilitate subcommittee meetings, and report back to the COTW. The chair/vice chair shall be selected by the City Council members on each subcommittee.

**Section 2.** Except as amended herein, Title 2 of the Sunnyside Municipal Code shall remain unchanged.

**Section 3.** This ordinance shall be effective five days after passage, approval and publication as required by law.

**PASSED** this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2012.

  
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MIKE FARMER, MAYOR

**ATTEST:**

  
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DELILAH SAENZ, CITY CLERK

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
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