

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, TO AMEND THE RULES OF PROCEDURE TO CONFORM TO CURRENT PRACTICE, AND TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SPEAKING THROUGH AN INTERPRETER

WHEREAS, on May 9, 2013, Council adopted the Rules of Procedure of the City Council in Resolution No. 2013-65, to establish rules for the conduct of its proceedings; and

WHEREAS, Council has amended the Rules of Procedure from time to time to account for changes in practice; and

WHEREAS, Council now wishes to change its Rules of Procedure to clarify or conform to current practice; and

WHEREAS, Council wishes to adopt a new rule consistent with AB 1787 (Gomez), whereby non-English speakers addressing the Council through an interpreter shall be allowed twice the allotted time for comment to ensure the same opportunity to directly address the Council, unless simultaneous translation equipment is used; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment also includes a number of other changes to make the Rules of Procedure consistent with the way Council currently conducts business; and

WHEREAS, the proposed changes are in the interests of the Council's conduct of business of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Fresno as follows:

SECTION 1. This resolution is adopted to amend the Rules of Procedure as set forth in Exhibit A.

SECTION 2. The procedures are in addition to, and not in place of, applicable ordinances and statutes. In the event of conflict between any part of this resolution and applicable ordinances and statutes, the latter shall govern.

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Date Adopted:
Date Approved:
Effective Date:
City Attorney Approval: _____

SECTION 3. This resolution shall become effective and in full force upon final passage.

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CLERK CERTIFICATION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF FRESNO) ss.
CITY OF FRESNO)

I, YVONNE SPENCE, City Clerk of the City of Fresno, certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Fresno, at a regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 2016.

AYES :
NOES :
ABSENT :
ABSTAIN :

Mayor Approval: _____, 2016
Mayor Approval/No Return: _____, 2016
Mayor Veto: _____, 2016
Council Override Vote: _____, 2016

YVONNE SPENCE, CMC
City Clerk

BY: _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

BY: _____
Katie Doerr [Date]
Assistant City Attorney

Attachments: Exhibit A - Amended Rules of Procedure