



City of Eagle Point

City Council

Teleconference Special Meeting Agenda

October 13, 2020

Council Chambers via Teleconference

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1. CALL TO ORDER – 5:45 P.M.
2. TRAINING – Voting Rules for City Councilors
3. ADJOURN

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**BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
EAGLE POINT, OREGON
AGENDA STATEMENT**

Item Number: 2
Meeting Date: October 13, 2020

ITEM NO. 2: Training – Voting for City Councilors.

SUBMITTED BY: Cindy Hughes, City Recorder.

SUMMARY EXPLANATION: Regarding the Council’s request for training, Mayor Jenks recently suggested the trainings begin with voting. Voting is covered in the [Rules of the City Council](#) under Consideration of Business.

CONSIDERATION OF BUSINESS

29. Quorum. A majority of the Council shall constitute a quorum to do business. A lesser number may meet and adjourn from time to time and compel the attendance of absent members.

30. Voting. Unless otherwise provided by statute, ordinance or resolution, upon any question before the Council, a roll call vote shall be taken. No Councilor may explain the reasons for his or her vote during the roll call.

31. Procedure Generally. After a vote has been taken, the meeting Secretary shall announce the results of the vote.

32. Voting Required. Every member present when a question is called shall vote either affirmative or negative, unless a member has a conflict of interest under applicable law, or other circumstance, in which case an abstention may be recorded. There shall be no debate during voting.

33. Minimum Votes Required in Certain Situations. The passage of any ordinance shall require the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the whole membership of the Council (*4 for a Council of 7*). Any other action or direction of the Council shall require the affirmative vote of a majority of those Council persons in attendance at a meeting for which a quorum is present to conduct business. In those cases where state or federal law requires the affirmative vote of the full Council, state and federal requirements shall prevail.

34. Affirmative and Negative. On the passage of every Council policy action, the vote shall be taken in the affirmative or negative and entered upon the record. *Note: While an abstention is recorded, it does not count towards the affirmative or negative. However, using the example above, even though an abstention is still not counted as a vote cast, it effectively acts as a “no” vote because the basis for a majority is a fixed number.*

35. Tie Vote. In case of a tie in votes of any proposal, the proposal shall be considered lost.

PROCEDURE FOR COUNCIL MEETINGS

41. Rules of Order. Unless otherwise provided by law or by these rules, the procedure for Council meetings shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order.

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:



Aaron Prunty City Administrator

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Review.

REFERENCE MATERIALS:

[Rules of the City Council](#)

Abstentions are covered in the following books, all available for review at City Hall:

Robert's Rules of Order, 11th Edition, pages 403 and 415;

Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised In Brief, fully updated 2nd Edition to accord 11th Edition, Page 24, No. 2; and

Mastering Council Meetings by Ann Macfarlane, 2013, pages 35, and 119.