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SUBJECT:

Proposed amendments to public comment

ACTION REQUEST:

Per Council Policy 16.d., we are requesting that the following item be placed on the next available City Council agenda, which is June 10, 2025, for discussion and possible action.

Changes to the City Council's public comment process will enhance community participation. The proposed adjustments include the following:

To allow working individuals to attend and present at City Council meetings, the Public Comment Session will be moved from noon to 5:30PM. This new time is specifically designed to accommodate residents who are unable to attend during their work hours. During this time, the public will have the opportunity to comment on any city business they wish to discuss even if the item is not on the City Council agenda.

During the business portions of the City Council meetings, citizen comments will still be allowed for item(s) on the agenda for the public to provide feedback and comments to the City Council. This includes consent items, individual items, and public hearing items. Individuals wishing to speak on an individual consent agenda item or more than one consent item, individual items and/or public hearing items, will have the opportunity to address all items before the consent agenda portion of the meeting.

When registering to speak for the Business Session of City Council meetings, the public comment must list the action item(s) from the City Council meeting agenda on which he or she seeks to be heard. (This adjustment is consistent with best practices for public comment in cities across the state of Texas.)

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