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[COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR] RESOLUTION NO. 230743

Sponsor: Councilmember Crispin Rea

RESOLUTION - Amending rules 3.11, 5.01, and 6.01 of the Standing Rules of the City Council of the City of Kansas City, Missouri, relating to reconsideration of ordinances and resolutions, motions to amend, and division of the question by repealing these three rules and enacting in lieu thereof three new rules of like number and subject matter.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

Section 1. That rules 3.11, 5.01, and 6.01 of the Standing Rules of the City Council of the City of Kansas City, Missouri, relating to reconsideration of ordinances and resolutions, motions to amend, and division of the question by repealing these three rules and enacting in lieu thereof three new rules of like number and subject matter, to read as follows:

Rule 3.11 Reconsideration of ordinances and resolutions

- (a) After the decision upon any ordinance or resolution, any Councilmember who voted with the prevailing side may move for reconsideration of the ordinance or resolution not otherwise in effect at the same or next meeting.
- (b) Notwithstanding section (a), after the decision upon any ordinance submitted to the Council under the initiative, an emergency ordinance, or an ordinance with an accelerated effective date as defined in Section 503 of the City Charter, any Councilmember who voted with the prevailing side may only move for reconsideration of an ordinance not otherwise in effect at the same meeting.
- (c) A motion to reconsider shall be adopted upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast. Once a motion for reconsideration of a decision has been adopted and acted upon, or has been rejected, no other motion for a reconsideration of the decision shall be made at the same meeting without unanimous consent of the Councilmembers who are present. This rule does not affect the right of the Mayor to require reconsideration under the provisions of Section 505 of the Charter.

Rule 5.01 Motion to amend

- (a) A motion to amend an ordinance or resolution is in order when such ordinance or resolution is not in the hands of a committee and the motion is deemed adopted upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast.

- (b) An ordinance or resolution may be amended without limitation as to the number of amendments.
- (c) If an ordinance or resolution is amended, the changed ordinance shall be referred to “As Amended.”
- (d) An ordinance or resolution as amended shall be reduced to written form by the City Attorney, read aloud by the City Attorney, and provided to the Council in written or electronic form before debate closes on the ordinance or resolution as amended.
- (e) When a vote is to take place on an ordinance or resolution as amended introduced by the Mayor or a Councilmember, the first listed sponsor may ask to be recognized for the purpose of casting the first vote on the ordinance or resolution as amended and thereafter shall cast the first vote on the ordinance or resolution as amended. Subsequent votes shall conform with the procedure outlined in Rule 7.04(a).

Rule 6.01 Division of question

If a motion contains two or more divisible propositions, the presiding officer may, and upon a motion of a Councilmember, shall divide the same. The movant shall clearly state the manner in which the question is to be divided. A motion to strike out a provision and insert a substitute is not divisible. A vote to pass an ordinance or approve a resolution shall not be subject to a division of the question.
