October 27, 2021

WHEREAS, City Council amended its Rules of Procedure on October 8, 2019 to establish a 3:00 p.m. start time for voting agenda meetings on the second Wednesday of each month with public hearings beginning no earlier than 6:00 p.m. and a 9:00 a.m. start time for voting agenda meetings on the fourth Wednesday of each month with public hearings beginning no earlier than 1:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, City Council wishes to standardize the start time for voting agenda meetings; and

WHEREAS, City Council wishes to establish a 9:00 a.m. start time for voting agenda meetings on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month with public hearings beginning no earlier than 1:00 p.m.

Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That Section 6.1(c)(1) of the City Council Rules of Procedure is amended to read as follows:

"(1) Unless amended by city calendar, on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month, the city council will hold a voting agenda meeting, which shall begin at 9:00 a.m. [On the second Wednesday, the voting agenda meeting shall begin at 3:00 p.m., and on the fourth Wednesday, the voting agenda meeting shall begin at 9:00 a.m.] At a voting agenda meeting, the city council shall hear speakers who wish to comment on matters that are scheduled on the city council's voting consent and individual item agenda for that day. The city council shall also hear open speakers. Speakers shall appear in accordance with applicable rules established in Subsection 6.3 of these rules. Upon completion of any speakers allowed under Subsection 6.3 to speak at the beginning of the meeting, the city council will consider the minutes, the consent agenda, and individual items for consideration until [5:00 p.m. on the second Wednesday, and] noon [on the fourth Wednesday], when city council shall recess. [On the second Wednesday, the city council shall reconvene no earlier than 6:00 p.m. to conduct public hearings. On the fourth Wednesday,] T[t]he city council shall reconvene no earlier than 1:00 p.m. to conduct public hearings."

SECTION 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so resolved.