

Sponsored by: Mayor John Eberhart  
Introduced: April 6, 2015

**ORDINANCE NO. 5973**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING FAIRBANKS GENERAL  
CODE CHAPTER 2-119. ORDER OF BUSINESS;  
CITIZENS ADDRESSING CITY COUNCIL**

**WHEREAS**, the Order of Business for Regular Meetings of the City Council is set forth in Fairbanks General Code (FGC) Section 2-119; and

**WHEREAS**, under the current Order of Business, the approval of the agenda and consent agenda occurs before citizen's comments; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council recognizes that citizens often wish to comment on matters on the consent agenda, especially proposed resolutions; and

**WHEREAS**, changing the order of business by moving the approval of the agenda and consent agenda until after citizens' comments allows citizens to make timely comments on items on the consent agenda.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA**, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Fairbanks General Code Section 2-119(a) is hereby amended as follows [new text in **underlined bold** font; deleted text in ~~strikethrough~~ font]:

**Sec. 2-119. Order of business; citizens addressing city council.**

(a) At every regular meeting of the city council, the order of business shall be as follows:

- (1) Roll call.
- (2) Invocation.
- (3) Flag salutation.

(4) **Citizens' comments, oral communication to the city council on any item not up for public hearing (unscheduled; testimony limited to five minutes per topic)** Approval of agenda and consent agenda. ~~(Approval of consent agenda passes all routine items indicated by asterisk (\*) on the agenda. Consent agenda items are not considered separately unless a councilmember so requests. In the event of such request, the item is returned to the general agenda.)~~

(5) **Approval of agenda and consent agenda. (Approval of consent agenda passes all routine items indicated by asterisk (\*) on the agenda. Consent agenda items are not considered separately unless a councilmember so requests. In the event of such request, the item is returned to the general agenda)** ~~Citizens' comments, oral communication to the city~~

~~council on any item not up for public hearing (unscheduled; testimony limited to five minutes per topic).~~

- (6) Approval of minutes of previous meetings.
- (7) Special orders (testimony limited to five minutes).
- (8) Mayor's comments and report.
- (9) Unfinished business (testimony limited to five minutes).
- (10) New business.
- (11) Discussion items (information and reports).
- (12) Written communication to the city council.
- (13) Council Members' comments.
- (14) City clerk's report.
- (15) City attorney's report.
- (16) Adjournment.


**SECTION 2.** That the effective date of this Ordinance shall be the 25th day of April 2015.

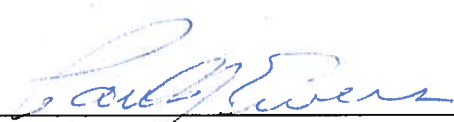
  
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John Eberhart, City Mayor

AYES: Matherly, Cleworth, Walley, Staley, Gatewood, Pruhs  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
ADOPTED: April 20, 2015

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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D. Danyielle Snider, CMC, City Clerk

  
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Paul J. Ewers, City Attorney