

**ORDINANCE NO. 6076**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING FAIRBANKS GENERAL  
CODE SECTION 2-119 ORDER OF BUSINESS, TO  
CHANGE THE TIME LIMITS FOR CITIZENS' COMMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, FGC Sec. 2-119 relating to the order of business for City Council meetings has been amended from time to time; and

**WHEREAS**, an informal poll taken in 2016 shows that many municipalities in the State of Alaska limit public comment to three minutes; and

**WHEREAS**, a two-minute limit on public testimony was a big success at a Council Work Session on April 23, 2018, to hear public input on City marijuana regulations, and the Work Session made it apparent that an individual can deliver a clear and meaningful message to the City Council in less than three minutes.

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

**Section 1.** That FGC Sec. 2-119, Order of business; citizens addressing city council is hereby amended as follows [new text in **underlined bold** font; deleted text in ~~strikethrough~~ font]:

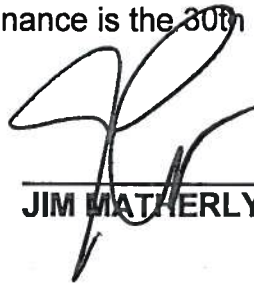
Sec. 2-119. Order of business; citizens addressing city council.

(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) Ceremonial matters (proclamations, introductions, recognitions, and awards).
- (5) Citizens' comments on consent agenda items (testimony limited to **fivethree** minutes).
- (6) 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 council member so requests. In the event of such request, the item is returned to the general agenda).
- (7) Approval of minutes of previous meetings.

- (8) Special orders.
- (9) Mayor's comments and report.
- (10) Unfinished business.
- (11) New business.
- (12) Discussion items (information and reports).
- (13) Written communication to the city council.
- (14) Citizens' comments, oral communications to the city council on any item not up for public hearing (unscheduled; testimony limited to five~~three~~ minutes).
- (15) Council members' comments.
- (16) City clerk's report.
- (17) City attorney's report.
- (18) Executive Session (if necessary).
- (19) Adjournment.

**Section 2.** That the effective date of this Ordinance is the 30<sup>th</sup> day of June 2018.




JIM MATHERLY, Mayor

AYES: Therrien, Rogers, Pruhs, Bagwill, Huntington  
NAYS: Cleworth  
ABSENT: None  
ADOPTED: June 25, 2018

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



D. Danyielle Snider, CMC, City Clerk



Paul J. Ewers, City Attorney