

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-12-071

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING URBANA CITY CODE CHAPTER 2,
SECTIONS 2-25 AND 2-28**

(City Council and Committee of the Whole Meeting Schedules)

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana (“City”) is a home rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6, of the Illinois Constitution, 1970, and may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs, and the passage of this Ordinance constitutes an exercise of the City’s home rule powers and functions as granted in the Illinois Constitution, 1970; and

WHEREAS, the City Council heretofore has enacted Urbana City Code Section 2-25 to establish that regular City Council meetings generally are held on the first and third Mondays of each month and Section 2-28 to establish that regular Committee of the Whole meetings generally are held on the second and fourth Mondays of each month; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, after due consideration, finds that amending said sections to change the City Council and Committee of the Whole meeting schedules and make other changes as herein provided is in the best interests of the residents of the City and is desirable for the welfare of the City’s government and affairs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1.

Urbana City Code Chapter 2, “Administration,” Article II, “Elected Officials,” Division 2, “City Council,” Section 2-25, “Meetings,” subsection (a), is hereby amended and as amended shall read as follows:

- (a) The regular meetings of the city council shall be held on the second and fourth Mondays of each month during the year, except when such Monday shall happen to be a legal holiday, in which case the city council shall meet on the first Tuesday evening following. The regular meeting of the city council shall be convened at the hour of 7:00 p.m., or at such time thereafter upon the adjournment of a scheduled public hearing, township board meeting, or other duly scheduled business of the council. The term “legal holiday” as used shall mean the following days only:
 - (1) New Year's Day;
 - (2) The Friday preceding Easter;
 - (3) Memorial Day;

- (4) Independence Day;
- (5) Labor Day;
- (6) Veterans Day;
- (7) Thanksgiving Day;
- (8) The day following Thanksgiving;
- (9) Christmas Day;
- (10) Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday.

Section 2.

Urbana City Code Chapter 2, "Administration," Article II, "Elected Officials," Division 2, "City Council," Section 2-28, "Committee," is hereby amended and as amended shall read as follows:

Sec. 2-28. - Committee.

To afford the opportunity to more thoroughly examine matters under consideration, the city council shall meet regularly on the first and third Mondays of each month as a committee of the whole, except when such Monday shall happen to be a legal holiday, in which case the committee shall meet on the first Tuesday evening following. The chair and vice-chair of the committee shall be selected by the council as established by council rules.

Section 3.

Those sections, paragraphs, and provisions of the Urbana City Code that are not expressly amended or repealed by this Ordinance are hereby re-enacted, and it is expressly declared to be the intention of this Ordinance not to repeal or amend any portions of the Urbana City Code other than those expressly set forth as amended or repealed in this Ordinance. The invalidity of any section or provision of this Ordinance hereby passed and approved shall not invalidate other sections or provisions thereof.

Section 4.

This Ordinance shall not be construed to affect any suit or proceeding pending in any court, or any rights acquired, or a liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing prior to the effective date of this Ordinance; nor shall any right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired, or affected by this Ordinance.

Section 5.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.


This Ordinance is hereby passed by the affirmative vote, the "ayes" and "nays" being called, of a majority of the members of the Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, at a meeting of said Council.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this 16th day of December, 2019.

AYES: Brown, Hazen, Hursey, Jakobsson, Miller, Roberts, Wu

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:



Charles A. Smyth, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this 17th day of December, 2019.



Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor

