

ORDINANCE NUMBER O- 19363 (NEW SERIES)

ADOPTED ON APR 04 2005

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 2, DIVISION 1, OF THE SAN DIEGO MUNICIPAL CODE BY AMENDING SECTION 22.0101, ENTITLED "PERMANENT RULES OF THE COUNCIL" BY AMENDING RULE 10, RULE 18, AND BY ADDING NEW RULE 21.1, ALL RELATED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY AND OPENNESS.

WHEREAS, on December 7, 2004, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 300020, that directed the City Attorney to draft an ordinance to amend the Permanent Rules of Council by adding the Committee on Government Efficiency and Openness as a Permanent Standing Committee (Rule 10), and to include the provision that the Committee on Government Efficiency and Openness shall be subject to the Brown Act; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, as follows:

Section 1. That Chapter 2, Article 2, Division 1, of the San Diego Municipal Code is hereby amended by amending Section 22.0101, Rule 10, Rule 18, and by adding Rule 21.1, entitled "Committee on Government Efficiency and Openness," to read as follows:

§ 22.0101 Permanent Rules of the Council

Rule 1 through Rule 9 [No change in text.]

Rule 10. Standing Committees Created

Five standing committees of the City Council are hereby created as follows:

(a) through (b) [No change in text.]

(c) Committee on Natural Resources and Culture (See Rule 20);

- (d) Committee on Public Safety and Neighborhood Services (See Rule 21); and
- (e) Committee on Government Efficiency and Openness (See Rule 21.1).

Rule 11 through Rule 17.1 [No change in text.]

Rule 18. Committee on Rules, Finance and Intergovernmental Relations

There is a Committee on Rules, Finance and Intergovernmental Relations (herein referred to as "Rules Committee") composed of five (5) voting members consisting of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor, and the three (3) chairpersons of the Land Use and Housing, Natural Resources and Culture, and Public Safety and Neighborhood Services standing committees. The Mayor shall be permanent chairperson and the Deputy Mayor shall be vice-chairperson of the Rules Committee. Three (3) of the five (5) members appointed to the Rules Committee shall constitute a quorum to do business but a lesser number may take action to adjourn a meeting. There is a Select Committee on Government Efficiency and Fiscal Reform (Select Committee) which shall be a subcommittee of the Rules Committee and shall consist of three members of the Rules Committee and such advisors as they shall appoint with the Deputy Mayor as chairperson. This subcommittee will have the responsibility of overseeing the implementation of the recommendations of the citizens committee known as Change 2 that were passed by the City Council.

Rule 19 through 21 [No change in text.]

Rule 21.1. Committee on Government Efficiency and Openness

There is a Committee on Government Efficiency and Openness composed of three (3) voting members consisting of three (3) councilmembers appointed in accordance with the provisions of Rule 13 and shall be subject to the Brown Act.

The Committee will assume the former responsibilities of the ad hoc Right to Know Committee and the Council Budget Working Group, including: the Ralph M. Brown Act, Permanent Rules of Council, Public Records Act, community right to know, accuracy of government information, citizens' right to privacy, consumer protection, efficiency and effectiveness of government services, and annual budgetary issues.

The Committee shall also have the responsibility to hold hearings on matters referred to it and to act upon them as soon as practicable.

Rule 22 through 34 [No change in text.]

Section 2. That a full reading of this ordinance is dispensed with prior to its final passage, a written or printed copy having been available to the City Council and the public a day prior to its final passage.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force on the thirtieth day from and after its passage.

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