

ORDINANCE NO. 21-009

AN ORDINANCE amending certain provisions of the  
Camas Municipal Code Chapter relating to public meetings

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMAS DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section I

Camas Municipal Code Section 2.04.030 – Meetings – Time – Advancement of the Camas Municipal Code is hereby repealed.

Section II

Camas Municipal Code Section 2.04.040 is hereby amended to provide as follows:

**Camas Municipal Code 2.04.040 – Meetings – Place:**

A. All meetings of the city council shall be held in the council chambers in the city hall of Camas, Washington, except as otherwise set forth herein.

B. Remote attendance shall be allowed via audio or video conferencing as may be allowed by law and subject to the conditions as set forth herein. There is no limit to the number of times a council member may attend a council meeting by remote attendance and no limit to the number of council members who may participate by remote attendance in a meeting. Remote attendance by any council member shall be considered an appearance towards a quorum. Remote attendance is for the benefit of the City of Camas and not for the benefit of an individual member or the membership as a whole.

C. Remote attendance shall be allowed when one or more of the following circumstances exists:

- a. Due to fire, flood, earthquake, or other local or state emergency and there is a pressing need for action by city council to address the emergency; or
- b. There has been a national, state, county or city proclamation issued; or
- c. There is a pressing need for action and a physically present quorum of council members is prevented but can be obtained through remote means.

D. To participate in remote attendance, the member(s) must be able to hear everything that is spoken by any member(s) or individual(s) who are participating in the meeting, either in person or by remote attendance, and all members and individual(s) attending the meeting in person or remotely must be able to hear everything spoken by the member(s).

E. Remote attendance by council members shall be announced by the mayor, or mayor pro tempore in the absence of the mayor, and will be reflected in the meeting minutes.

Section III

This ordinance shall take force and be in effect five (5) days from and after its publication according to law.

PASSED by the Council and APPROVED by the Mayor this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021.

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk

APPROVED as to form:

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City Attorney