

Agenda Item Report

Meeting Type: Committee of the Whole

Meeting Date: March 4, 2025

Item Title: Committees Restructuring

Submitted By: Matt Amundson, City Administrator

Detailed Description of Subject Matter:

The drafted ordinance eliminates the committee of the whole method of governance by repealing and recreating section 2-41. Now, all items go to a committee then to council. Matters concerning public works, personnel and finance, and/or items that do not have a committee go to a Committee of the Whole that meets before the council meeting so all issues can be addressed in one meeting, without a two-week delay, unless it is intended by the council.

Section 2-48 provides that unless required by statute all committees will be created the same:

- 7 members, three-year terms.
- appointed by the Mayor in May subject to approval by the Council.
- One Council member on each committee that votes
- one member of city staff for each committee to act as secretary and be non-voting.

The Senior Center Advisory Board has discussed changing the name to Community Center to more appropriately reflect the use of the facility.

I am suggesting to remove Parks and go with Recreation Committee. Park related items have not been reviewed by this committee in the past and public works maintains the City parks. With this change the ordinance would have park items going to the Committee of the Whole.

No changes were made to Tourism, Joint Review Board or Ethics. The Investment and Street Light Committees were eliminated.

There has been some discussion about eliminating the Cable Commission entirely that we would like some feedback on. The commission could be abolished if the duties of the commission are given to the Communications & Economic Development Coordinator with report/review of the Council.

List all Supporting Documentation Attached:

Draft Ordinance

Action Requested of Council: