

ORDINANCE 01-2025

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 31 OF THE HOPKINSVILLE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO CITY COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETINGS

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE

Section 31.15 of the Hopkinsville Code of Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

§ 31.15 TIME AND PLACE.

- (A) Regular meetings of the legislative body shall be held the first and third Tuesday of each month at the Municipal Building ([6]5:00 p.m., local time). The place, date and time of a regularly scheduled meeting of the legislative body may be changed by either the Presiding Officer or a majority of the members of the legislative body not less than five calendar days prior to the meeting; however, if the date or time are changed, the meeting is deemed a special called meeting pursuant to the Open Meetings Act and subsequent rulings.
- (B) A special meeting may be called at any time by the Presiding Officer or a majority of the members of the legislative body by personally delivering, faxing, e-mailing, or mailing written notice to each member of the legislative body and to each newspaper of general circulation, and to each media organization which has filed a properly written request to receive notification of meetings. Notice must be delivered at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.
- (C) Notice is not required if the special meeting is called to deal with an emergency.

SECTION TWO

Section 31.23 of the Hopkinsville Code of Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

§ 31.23 COMMITTEES.

- (A) The Council shall meet as a Committee of the Whole each month on Thursday following the second regular Council meeting at [6]5:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building. The Presiding Officer shall be elected by majority vote of the Committee of the Whole.

- (B) A special committee may be created by the legislative body to study any problem and shall report to the body as directed.
- (C) A committee composed wholly or in part of citizens who are not members of the legislative body may be created by the Presiding Officer with the approval of a majority of the members of the legislative body to study any public issue.

SECTION THREE

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such infirmity shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

SECTION FOUR

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION FIVE

This ordinance shall take effect after its passage and publication according to law.

ORDINANCE 01-2025 AMEND CHAPTER 31

PUBLICLY READ AND PASSED FIRST TIME: _____

PUBLICLY READ AND PASSED SECOND TIME: _____

APPROVED: _____

Mayor James R. Knight Jr.

ATTEST: _____

City Clerk Brittany Byrum, CMC