



CITY OF LE SUEUR
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Jasper Kruggel, City Administrator

SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 589 - First Reading - City Council Meeting Time

DATE: For the City Council Meeting of Monday, January 11, 2021

PURPOSE

Consider conducting the first reading of an ordinance that will update language in the Le Sueur City Code related to the time City Council meets for its organizational and regular meetings.

SUMMARY

It has been identified that current norms related to meeting times is not consistent with the Le Sueur City Code. From time to time, items like this are reviewed and proposed changes are made to create consistency.

Ordinance No. 589 – City Council Meeting Time will remove the time references from Sec. 31.01 (A) and (B) allowing the City Council to determine the start time of meetings. All notice requirements related to Minnesota Open Meeting Law are still pertinent and must be followed. The proposed language change has been reviewed by legal counsel and is consistent with Minnesota State Statutes.

Below is the redlined language that is proposed to be amended per Ordinance No. 589.

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(B) Regular meetings of the City Council shall be held on the second and fourth Monday of each month beginning at an agreed upon time, noticed consistent with Minnesota Open Meeting Law in the Council chamber in city hall; provided, that when any day falls upon a legal holiday, the Council may fix another day for the meeting.

ACTION REQUESTED

Staff is requesting that City Council waive the first reading of Ordinance No. 589 – City Council Meeting Time and direct staff to bring the second reading of Ordinance No. 589 to City Council on that regularly scheduled meeting of January 25, 2021. As a note, in order to waive the reading of an ordinance, the vote is required to be unanimous. Also, ordinances go into effect seven (7) days after the second reading is conducted and the changes are published in our official newspaper (The Le Sueur County News).

ORDINANCE NO. 589

CHAPTER 31 – CITY COUNCIL

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This Ordinance becomes effective from and after its passage and seven (7) days after its publication. This Ordinance was passed by the Common Council on **January 25, 2021**.

ATTEST:

Shawn Kirby
Mayor

Stacy Lawrence
Communications & HR Director/City Clerk