

ORDINANCE NO. OR15-381

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE STOCKBRIDGE MUNICIPAL CODE WITH RESPECT TO THE PROCEDURE FOR PREPARING AGENDA BOOKS FOR COUNCIL MEETINGS; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Section 3.14(a) of the City Charter provides that “the city council shall adopt its rules of procedure and order of business consistent with the provisions of [the City Charter] and shall provide for keeping a journal of its proceedings which shall be a public record;”

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City Council to insure that each Council Member is afforded the opportunity to put forth proposals to the City Council and have those proposals be fairly considered; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is necessary and desirable for proposals be presented to the Council in advance of any Council Meetings, whenever possible;

THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOCKBRIDGE HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. That Section 2.04.050 of the Stockbridge Municipal Code is hereby amended by deleting said section in its entirety and replacing in lieu thereof the following:

“2.04.050 - Order of business.

(a) The order of business of the council at all regular or adjourned meetings shall be as set out in the agenda submitted by the city clerk for such meeting.

(b) It shall be the privilege of any member of the City Council to request that an item and any background and/or supporting documentation for such item be placed on the agenda prior to a council meeting and included in the agenda submitted by the city clerk for such meeting. Any such request made shall be fulfilled by the city clerk.”

SECTION 2. Intention of the Governing Body. It is the intention of the governing body, and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of the City of Stockbridge, Georgia, and the sections of the ordinance may be renumbered to accomplish such intention.

SECTION 3. Approval of Execution. The Mayor is hereby authorized to sign all documents necessary to effectuate this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. Attestation. The City Clerk is authorized to execute, attest to, and seal any documents which may be necessary to effectuate this ordinance, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

SECTION 5. Codification and Severability.

(a) It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that all sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance are and were upon their enactment believed by the City Council to be fully valid, enforceable and constitutional.

(b) It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that to the greatest extent allowed by law each and every section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is severable from every other section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance. It is hereby further declared to be the intention of the City Council that to the greatest extent allowed by law no section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is mutually dependent upon any other section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

(c) In the event that any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance shall, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, it is the express intent of the City Council that such invalidity, unconstitutionality or unenforceability shall, to the greatest extent allowed by law, not render invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable any of the remaining sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, or phrases of the ordinance and that to the greatest extent allowed by law all remaining Sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, or phrases of the ordinance shall remain valid, constitutional, enforceable, and of full force and effect.

SECTION 6. Repeal of Conflicting Provisions. Except as otherwise provided herein, all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 7. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Stockbridge as provided in the City Charter.

[SIGNATURES APPEAR ON FOLLOWING PAGE]

SO ORDAINED this 14th day of December, 2015.

Alphonso Thomas
ALPHONSO THOMAS, MAYOR PRO TEM

ATTEST:

Vanessa Holiday (SEAL)
VANESSA HOLIDAY, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michael Williams
MICHAEL WILLIAMS, CITY ATTORNEY

Date Presented to Mayor: 12-15-2015
Pro Tem

Date Received from Mayor: 12-23-2015
Pro Tem