

Proposed Amendment: **Multiple Candidates in Elections**

Add a new Subsection to “SECTION I. OFFICERS OF THE COUNCIL” to establish an runoff election procedure in the Chairman and Vice-Chairman elections.

“() **Election Procedure**

When three or more candidates are nominated for the position of Chairman or Vice-Chairman, once a vote is held that produces two candidates who have received the most votes, then only those two top candidates shall stand for election on the next ballot.

Proposed Amendment: Delete Chairman's Vote Section

Delete Subsection (8) of "SECTION III (D) Conduct of Meetings:

~~(8) — Chairman's Vote — The Chairman may vote only once, as all other members, on all matters before Council. The Chairman's name will be called last in a roll call vote.~~

Proposed Amendment: Eligibility and Service Requirements

Amend Subsection (I) of "SECTION V. COMMITTEES to add requirement for Chairman appointments to observe applicable eligibility and service requirements/limits.

"(I) Special Appointments

Except as otherwise provided herein, the Chairman of Council shall make such appointments of Council members to boards, commissions, committees, and other governmental bodies as may be required by law or agreement. These appointments must observe the rules of each board, commission, or body as to its particular eligibility and length of service requirements. The Chairman may also appoint such additional temporary Council committees as he or the Council deems appropriate."

Proposed Amendment: Establish Separate Meeting to Swear in Members

Add a new Subsection (A) to "SECTION I. OFFICERS OF THE COUNCIL" to provide for a new initial meeting for the swearing in ceremony; and move elections amend former Subsections (A) and (B) to move election of officers away from the initial meeting.

(A) Initial Meeting

On the first Monday of January following each General Election, County Council will hold a meeting for the purpose of swearing in Members. There will be no other business conducted at this initial meeting. Should the first Monday fall on January 1, the initial meeting shall be held the following Monday. ”

(A)(B) Chairman

At its ~~initial~~ first meeting in January following the initial meeting described in Subsection A ~~each general election~~, the Council, as specified by law, shall elect one of its members to serve as Chairman for a term of two years. The Chairman shall preside at all meetings of the Council. With the County Administrator, he shall, on behalf of the Council, execute all ordinances, resolutions, directives, deeds, bonds, contracts, and other official instruments or documents unless execution is otherwise directed by ordinance or other Council action. The Chairman shall also have such other duties and perform such other functions as these rules specifically set forth or as the Council specifically directs. If the office of Chairman is vacated, Council, at its next meeting following the occurrence of the vacancy, shall choose one of its members to serve as Chairman.

(B)(C) Vice-Chairman

At its ~~initial~~ first meeting in January following the initial meeting described in Subsection A ~~each general election~~, the Council shall select one of its members to serve as Vice-Chairman for a term of two years. The Vice-Chairman shall preside at meetings of the Council when the Chairman is absent or unable to preside.