

Report to Committee

To:

General Purposes Committee

Director, City Clerk's Office

Date:

November 16, 2015

From:

David Weber

File:

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Re:

2016 Council and Committee Meeting Schedule

Staff Recommendation

That the 2016 Council and Committee meeting schedule, attached to the staff report, dated November 16, 2015, from the Director, City Clerk's Office, be approved, including the following revisions as part of the regular August meeting break and December holiday season:

- (1) That the Regular Council meetings (open and closed) of August 8, August 22, and December 28, 2016 be cancelled; and
- (2) That the August 15, 2016 Public Hearing be re-scheduled to September 6, 2016 at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers at Richmond City Hall.

David Weber

Director, City Clerk's Office

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CONCURRENCE OF GENERAL MANAGER

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AGENDA REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE

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Staff Report

Origin

Under the *Community Charter* and the Council Procedures Bylaw, Council must provide for advance public notice of Council and Committee meetings and, at least once per year, advertise the availability of the Council meeting schedule. Accordingly, the 2016 Council meeting schedule is being presented at this time (see Attachment 1) to provide certainty and advance notice of Council's regular meeting schedule.

Analysis

August Meeting Break

In accordance with the Council Procedures Bylaw No. 7560, Council resolutions are required for any changes to the prescribed Council meeting schedule. Therefore, to accommodate the August meeting break, it is recommended that the Regular Council meetings of August 8 and 22, 2016 be cancelled. Also, as a result of the City Hall closure over the holiday season, it is recommended at the Regular Council meeting of December 28, 2016 also be cancelled.

Changes to the Committee meeting dates can be altered at the call of the Chair as circumstances arise closer to the dates of the meetings, and do not require a Council resolution. The only change that staff propose to the Committee schedule is a change to the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Committee (PRCS) meeting that would normally fall on July 26, 2016, the day after the last Council meeting before the August meeting break. Instead, and in order for Council to consider any recommendations from this meeting at the Regular Council meeting of July 25, 2016, it is proposed that the PRCS meeting be moved to the previous week (Thursday, July 21, 2016).

With regard to the August Public Hearing, in keeping with past practice, staff propose that it be re-scheduled from August 22, 2016 to September 6, 2016. This change to the Public Hearing schedule minimizes the delay, due to the August meeting break, for consideration of land use applications that have been given first reading. There would be no need for a second scheduled Public Hearing during the third week of September.

December Holiday Season

City Hall will be closed from Monday, December 26, 2016, and will be re-opening on Tuesday, January 3, 2017 in recognition of the holiday season. Staff propose that the December 28, 2016 PRCS meeting be moved to December 21, 2016 – immediately following Public Works and Transportation Committee. A Special Council meeting would likely be called in conjunction with the last Committee meetings of the year in order to deal with any business arising from the committees that is of a time-sensitive nature.

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

It is recommended that the 2016 Council and Committee meeting schedule be approved with the suggested allowances for the Regular Council meeting break in August, and the holiday season in December, on the understanding that a Special Council meeting can be called with 24 hours notice should any unusual or urgent circumstances arise outside of the usual schedule. Such a meeting may be facilitated using a conference call, as permitted by the Council Procedures Bylaw No. 7560, for those Council members who wish to participate but are unable to attend in person.

Mickelle Jansson

Manager, Legislative Services

Att. 1 – Proposed 2016 Council and Committee Meeting Schedule

Attachment 1

2016 MEETING SCHEDULE - PROPOSED

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CO Regular Council Mtg., 7:00pm Regular (Closed) Council Mtg., 4:00pm

CS Community Safety, 4:00pm

DP Development Permit Panel, 3:30pm

FC Finance, following 1st General Purposes Meeting of each month

GP General Purposes, 4:00pm

PC Planning, 4:00pm

PH Public Hearing, 7:00pm

PRC Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services, 4:00pm

PWT Public Works & Transportation, 4:00pm

Note: All meeting dates are subject to change.