City of Benson
City Council Communication

Worksession **March 24, 2014**

To: Mayor and Council Agenda Item # 2

From: Vicki Vivian, CMC, City Clerk

Subject:

Discussion and possible direction to Staff regarding City Council Policies and Procedures, and/or City Code as related to City Council conduct or procedures

Discussion:

The attached document, "Council Policies and Procedures" was brought before Council in worksessions to address basic Council proceedings, actions and expectations. At a worksession held on August 12, 2013, Council decided to hold worksessions as needed to address possible changes to the Council Policies and Procedures draft, as well as possible Code changes. During the course of these worksessions, Council made changes to the Council Policies and Procedures and noted they would like to revisit specific sections once new legal counsel was hired. These sections are as follows:

Section VIII – D – Motion of Direction (See minutes of November 25, 2013)
Section VIII – G – Abstention (See minutes of November 25, 2013)
Section IX – Open Meeting Law Violations (See minutes of November 25, 2013)

After Council made revisions to the remaining draft, it, as well as the minutes and notes taken by the City Clerk were sent to the City Attorney for his legal review. Once the above sections are revisited and discussed with legal counsel present and direction is received from the Council on any changes they wish to make, Staff will incorporate all Council comments and present a final draft for Council consideration.

Council also decided to review Chapter 2 of the City Code after their review of the Council Policies and Procedures was completed.

Staff Recommendation:

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