

SULTAN CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

ITEM NO: Discussion D 2
DATE: July 9, 2009
SUBJECT: Council Meeting Day
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ISSUE

The issue before the Council is to discuss a potential change of the day of the week the Council meetings are held.

SUMMARY:

At the Council Retreat on June 20, 2009, Council briefly discussed changing the day of the week the Council meeting is held and requested staff put the matter on the agenda for discussion.

Council meetings are currently held on the first and third Thursday of the month. The Planning Board meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month. For consistency, sub committee meetings for both the Council and Planning Board are also held on the same day of the week, on alternate weeks.

There are outside boards and committees the Council members are either involved with now or would like to become involved with such as the Snohomish County Cities and Town and Snohomish County Tomorrow.

The options available to the Council are:

- 1) Leave the meeting on the current day. This option would not allow the Councilmembers to attend the Snohomish County Cities and Town meetings.
- 2) Change the meeting day to Monday. There does not appear to be any conflicts with other agencies on Monday.
- 3) Change the meeting day to Wednesday The sub committee and special meeting schedule may interfere with attendance at Snohomish County Tomorrow meetings.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Direct staff to prepare the required ordinance to change the Council meeting day.

Attachments: A. Chapter 2. 04 Time and Place of Meetings.

2.04.010 Time and place.

A. After passage, approval and publication of the ordinance codified in this chapter, the regular meeting of the city council of the city of Sultan shall be held in the Sultan Council Chambers on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month beginning at the hour of 7:00 p.m.

B. The first such regular meeting to be held in accordance with the terms of this chapter shall be held on the second Thursday in the month of March, 2006; provided, that though regular meetings shall be held only as required by the provisions of this chapter, such regular meetings may be adjourned to a time and place certain if the regular business before the city council makes such adjourned meetings necessary. (Ord. 906-06; Ord. 836-04; Ord. 748-00; Ord. 742-00; Ord. 683-98)

2.04.020 Exceptions.

Whenever the regular meeting date of the Sultan city council falls on a legal holiday, the regular meeting of said city council will be held at the same hour and place on the next succeeding day. (Ord. 906-06; Ord. 836-04; Ord. 748-00; Ord. 742-00; Ord. 683-98)

2.04.030 Number of offices.

Pursuant to RCW 35A.12.101, the number of councilmanic offices in the city is hereby increased from five to seven, effective January 10, 2000. (Ord. 735-00 § 1)