

Chapter 2.62 - WHITEWATER TRANSPARENCY ENHANCEMENT ORDINANCE

Sections:

2.62.010 - Purpose.

The purpose of this chapter is to maximize public awareness and participation in City of Whitewater Government.

(Ord. No. 1804A, § 1, 10-5-2010)

2.62.020 - Posting requirements.

- (a) Agenda notices for all council, committee, commission and board meetings, requiring legal notice, shall be posted seventy-two hours in advance. If an agenda item is added between twenty-four and seventy-two hours prior to the meeting, it shall require an affirmative vote of a majority of the members voting to take up the matter.
- (b) All council, committee, commission and board agendas shall be posted online on the city website seventy-two hours in advance of the meeting.
- (c) All council, committee, commission and board packet materials, that can be reasonably scanned, shall be posted online twenty-four hours in advance of the meeting. The city shall provide an electronic notification feed alert, indicating that new information is available regarding an upcoming council, committee, commission or board meeting, to any party that has subscribed to the feed (requested notice from the city of the updated information).
- (d) All requests for proposals and requests for bids shall be posted online as soon as is practicable.
- (e) The council and all committee, commission and board meeting minutes shall be posted online within thirty days of the meeting. If the body does not meet within thirty days of the meeting, the minutes shall be posted within fourteen days of the next meeting.

(Ord. No. 1804A, § 1, 10-5-2010)

2.62.030 - Information technology requirements.

Beginning December 1, 2010, city council, community development authority, plan commission and police commission meetings shall be videotaped, and the video shall be posted online.

(Ord. No. 1804A, § 1, 10-5-2010)

2.62.040 - Meeting procedures.

- (a) All council, committee, commission and board meetings shall have a public input agenda item to allow citizens to make statements on matters that are not on the agenda.
- (b) All council, committee, commission and boards shall allow the public an opportunity to comment on substantive items on the meeting agenda. The council, committee, commission or board shall have the discretion to impose time limits and other reasonable procedural rules concerning the public comment.
- (c) If the agenda for a council, committee, commission or board meeting includes staff reports or other reports, a specific description of the item to be reported on shall be listed on the agenda and said report(s) shall be limited to the specific items listed in the agenda.

(Ord. No. 1804A, § 1, 10-5-2010)

2.62.050 - Failure to abide by chapter provisions does not cause actions to be invalid.

The failure by any council, committee, commission or board to adhere to the provisions of this chapter shall not cause any action by said council, committee, commission or board to be invalid.

(Ord. No. 1804A, § 1, 10-5-2010)