



City Council Agenda Item Report

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Agenda Item No.

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SUBJECT: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AMENDING THE START TIME FOR REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL FROM 7:00PM TO 6:30PM

1. BACKGROUND/HISTORY

A request for a future agenda item was made for consideration of changing the regular starting time of City Council meetings from 7:00 pm to 6:30 pm.

2. FINDINGS/CURRENT ACTIVITY

City Council is considerate of citizens being able to attend meetings of the Council. In respect of citizens being able to get from work and have time to attend meetings, we believe that a 6:30 pm start time of meetings provides sufficient start time for maximum attendance. This also allows a more reasonable time for adjournment as attendees may get home earlier. In regards to staffing, less down time is spent in between the end of the workday and the start of the City Council meeting by city staff, thereby increasing staff effectiveness.

3. FINANCIAL IMPACT

Reduced use of utilities, less payment to contractors who attend and lessened compensation overall.

4. ACTION OPTIONS/RECOMMENDATION

Consideration of amending the start time of regularly scheduled city council meetings from 7:00 pm to 6:30 pm