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## **Amendment 10**

to

## **RES 32029 – General Rules and Procedures**

**Sponsor:** CM Strauss

Legislation Sponsorship

Beginning on p. 13 of Attachment 1 to Resolution 32029, make the following changes:

## III. CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS

## A. Legislation – Introduction; Referral; Requirements.

- 1. Introduction of Legislation.
  - a. All submitted legislation shall be reviewed by the City Clerk before it is sent to the Council President.
  - b. All Council Bills and Resolutions shall include a Summary and Fiscal Note.
  - c. The President shall assign the appropriate committee or City Council to receive the legislation and determines when to send the legislation to the committee chair.
  - d. The committee chair determines whether and when to place the legislation onto the Council's Introduction and Referral Calendar. Any CM may be the primary sponsor of legislation, but legislation does not require a sponsor the Council President may choose to include selected legislation on the Council's Introduction and Referral Calendar as "Executive Requested" or "[Department] Requested" Legislation" (i.e., naming the department who generated the legislation) rather than including a Councilmember M as sponsor. Prior to introduction by the Council, additional sponsors of the legislation may be added with consent of the primary sponsor, except that sponsors added outside an open session shall not cause the total number of sponsors to exceed a quorum of its assigned committee (or City Council if there is no assigned committee).
  - e. When adoption of the Introduction and Referral Calendar is being considered during each City Council meeting, it may be modified by a majority vote of CMs present and voting. Modifications include amendment to titles, committee referral, sponsorship, and removing or adding legislation.
  - f. After the Introduction and Referral Calendar is adopted, legislation is in the control of the referred committee or City Council.

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- g. Before final passage by the Council, additional sponsors of the legislation may be added in open session with consent of the primary sponsor.
- 2. Relieving a Committee of Legislation.

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**Effect:** This amendment would memorialize the current practice that allows the Council President to include legislation on the Introduction and Referral Calendar without a named Councilmember as sponsor. Instead of a named Councilmember as sponsor, the Council President could choose to designate selected legislation as "Executive Requested" or "[Department] Requested Legislation."