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To: City Council
From: Kristin Mueller, City Secretary
Date: November 12, 2024
Subject: Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Administration, Article IV, Officers, and Employees, Division 3, Ethics Policy, to change the date required for Ethics Commission Meetings

Historical Background

The City's ethics ordinance establishes a commission to review and investigate complaints involving the City Council and certain other delineated individuals. In the section of the code establishing the commission there exists a requirement to meet each year – in June – to elect commission members to serve as officers for the commission. Each individual commissioner is appointed by a single council member after that member is elected to office.

The June date was established when city council elections were held in May. With the change in election dates, the June date is no longer practicable.

The Ethics Committee at their June 29, 2022, meeting approved changing the meeting requirement from June to "a meeting within 90 days of the uniform election date wherein new council members are elected" and voted to recommend that the Council approve the ordinance revision. In July 2022, City Council adopted Ordinance 2022-060, replacing the June meeting requirement to meet within 90 days of a uniform election date wherein new council members are elected.

To be consistent with Ordinance 2022-060, the proposed ordinance would replace the June meeting requirement mentioned in Section One (5), with "a meeting within 90 days of the uniform election date wherein new council members are elected".

Action Requested**Procurement Methodology & Funding Source**

N/A

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends approval.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Proposed Ordinance
2. Ordinance 2022-060
3. Sec. 2-160.1 – Creation of ethics commission.