



City of Venice

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Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, September 15, 2020

1:30 PM

Council Chambers and Virtual

Workshop - Robert's Rules of Order

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Feinsod called the meeting to order at 1:39 p.m.

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ROLL CALL

Vice Mayor Newsom joined the meeting at 1:55 p.m.

Present: 7 - Mayor Ron Feinsod, Council Member Richard Cautero, Vice Mayor Charles Newsom, Dr. Margaret Fiedler, Council Member Helen Moore, Council Member Nick Pachota and Dr. Joseph Neunder

ALSO PRESENT

City Attorney Kelly Fernandez, City Clerk Lori Stelzer, City Manager Ed Lavallee, Information Technology Director Christophe St. Luce, and Administrative Coordinator Mercedes Barcia.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Feinsod led the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. PRESENTATION

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Mark Moriarty, Esq., Professional Registered Parliamentarian (PRP):
Robert's Rules of Order and Board Meeting Procedures

Mark Moriarty, Professional Registered Parliamentarian (PRP), provided a presentation and spoke to Robert's Rules of Order, city charter, fundamental principle, parliamentary procedure's purpose, the agenda, placing items on the agenda, notice to the public, duty of the presiding officer, discussion points, and obtaining and assigning the floor.

Ms. Stelzer requested a brief recess due to technological issues.

Recess was taken at 1:53 p.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Ms. Fernandez advised the meeting can proceed since council chambers is open to the public and meeting can be viewed on Zoom.

Mr. Moriarty continued to speak on obtaining and assigning the floor, regular meeting motions, the Sunshine Law, common complaints, response to common complaints, rules of speaking and debate, the chair preserving order, person who runs the meeting, parliamentary, breaches of order, procedure for disciplining a member, naming an offender, protection from annoyance by members, duty of the presiding officer enforcing the rules, presented short video clips titled "The gentleman from California is out of order", "Censuring the mayor", "Temporary removal for personal attacks", and "Improper words", and requested council members to fill out an evaluation form.

Discussion followed regarding order of speakers after a motion is made.

II. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 3:04 p.m.

ATTEST:

Mayor - City of Venice

City Clerk