

**Stanwood, Washington**

**RESOLUTION 2016-02**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF STANWOOD, WASHINGTON,  
AMENDING COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE RELATING TO  
COUNCIL TENURE**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 35A.12.120 RCW gives the City Council of each code city the power to set rules for conducting its business within the provisions of Title 35A RCW; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has reviewed its rules of procedure and wishes to amend provisions relating to defining tenure of members; and

**WHEREAS**, this change will provide more consistency for the council and the general public; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council wishes to make these changes effective February 11, 2016; now therefore

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STANWOOD, WASHINGTON HEREBY  
RESOLVES:**

**Section 1. Amendment Rule 29 Ordinances.** Rule 29 Committees is hereby amended by the following:

**Rule 29.** The Committee structure of the council and the procedures governing all committees shall be as follows:

(a) Standing Committees. The standing committee members shall be nominated by a committee made up of the Mayor, the Mayor pro tempore, and the longest serving member of the City Council other than the Mayor pro tempore considering the following:

- Each member of council will rank his/her assignment preference from one to four on each of the standing committees.
- Generally assignments will be made based upon councilmember preference with the longest serving councilmember assigned his/her number 1 preference then the second longest serving assigned his/her number 1 preference and continuing in that manner until all assignments have been made. Any tie in length of time served will be determined by seat position.

The Mayor pro tempore shall gather the Committee Assignment Preference sheets and tally the information. After doing so, he/she shall meet with the appointment committee and go over the results.

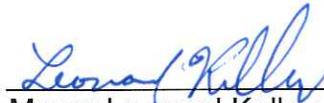
Exceptions are permissible upon unanimous agreement by the assignment committee.

The longest serving member shall be defined as the total of the combined length of all terms served.

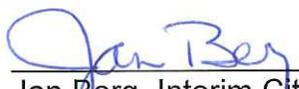
**Section 2. Best Efforts.** These Rules of Procedure are designed to assist in the orderly conduct of City Council business. Failure of the City Council to adhere to these rules shall not result in any liability to the City, its officers, its agents and employees nor shall the same result in any invalidation of City Council action.

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON THIS 11<sup>th</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2016.**

City of Stanwood

  
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Mayor Leonard Kelley

**ATTEST:**

  
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Jan Berg, Interim City Clerk