



THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON STATE OF NEW YORK

Date: January 11, 2023

Sponsored by Council Members: Resciniti, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Strawn, Scanlon, Scaringi

Introduced by Committee: Employees

ORDINANCE

entitled

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 26, CITY COUNCIL, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Binghamton wishes to amend various sections of the Code of the City of Binghamton, Chapter 26, *City Council*.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Binghamton, duly convened in regular session, does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the Code of the City of Binghamton, Chapter 26, *City Council*, §26-1, *Meetings*, is amended as follows:

§ 26-1. Regular Meetings Meetings [Amended 1-2-1978 by Ord. No. 1-79; 10-20-1980 by Ord. No. 229-80; 8-6-1990 by Ord. No. 83-90; 6-6-2005 by Ord. No. 05-35; 8-4-08 by Ord. 37-2008; Amended 11-18-2020 by Ord. No. 20-99; Amended 1-11-2023 by Ord. No. 23-15]

- A. Regular meeting date, time, and location designated. (i) The regular business meetings of the City Council shall be held in the Council chamber in the municipal building on each Wednesday following the first and third Monday evenings of each month commencing at 6 p.m.; and (ii) The regular work session meetings of the City Council shall be held in the Council work room in the municipal building on the first and third Monday evenings of each month commencing at 6 p.m. Each year, on or before October 1, City Council will approve a meeting schedule for regular business meetings, regular work sessions, and an organizational meeting for the following year (the "Annual Meeting Schedule"). All regular business meetings, work session meetings, and the organizational meeting will be held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 38 Hawley Street, Binghamton NY at 6 pm, unless another time is approved in the Annual Meeting Schedule. This schedule will be posted on the City's Website (Calendar) and forwarded to the local media on or before December 31.
- B. Meeting date falling on holiday. Should any regular business or work session meeting date fall upon a legal holiday, then, in such case, the meeting appointed for such date shall be held on the next day thereafter,, at the appointed hour and location as set forth herein. Any amendment to the Annual Meeting Schedule, special business meeting, or special work session may be scheduled by (i) the President of City Council upon not less than 24 hours written notice (via email) to all City Council Members with a copy of a proposed agenda and a copy of proposed legislation, if any; or (ii) by a majority vote of City Council at a business meeting or work session identifying the topic(s) or legislation, if any, to be considered at such meeting. No business shall be transacted at any special meeting other than the topic(s) or legislation specified in the notice of the meeting. Notice of the date, time, and

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location of any special business meeting or special work session will be included in the notice provided in (i) or (ii) above, and will be posted on the City's Website (Calendar) and forwarded to the local media.

- C. Change of meeting date, time, or location. The date, time, or location of any regular business or work session meeting may be changed by a majority vote of the Council taken at a regular City Council business meeting, including by adoption of the annual meeting schedule. In the event a meeting location is not available due to an emergency, the Council President may select a new location for the next regular meeting until a majority vote of the Council taken at a regular City Council business meeting can approve a new location. Organizational meeting. The organizational meeting will be in January of each year as approved in the Annual Meeting Schedule.
- Section 2. That the Code of the City of Binghamton, Chapter 26, *City Council*, §26-2, *Special Meetings*, is amended as follows:
 - § 26-2. Special Meetings. [Amended 1-11-2023 by Ord. No. 23-15]
 - C. Organizational meetings. The City Council shall convene and conduct an organizational meeting on the first Monday following January 1 of each year unless such Monday is a holiday. In this event, said meeting shall be held the following Tuesday unless otherwise ordered by the City Council. [Added 1–2-1979 by Ord. No. 1-79]
- Section 3. That the Code of the City of Binghamton, Chapter 26, *City Council*, §26-16, *Council member to contract for telephone services*, is amended as follows:
 - § 26-16. Council members to contract for telephone services. [Amended 1-11-2023 by Ord. No. 23-5]
 - A. The City of Binghamton will provide and pay for a cellular or home phone for use by Council members.
 - Section 4. That this Ordinance shall take effect January 1, 2023.

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Councilwoman	-			
Resciniti				
Councilwoman	1			
Riley	7			
Councilwoman				
Friedman	1/			
Councilman	5			
Burns	1			
Councilman				
Strawn	2			
Councilman		•		
Scanlon	1			
Councilman				
Scaringi				7
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I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of the legislation adopted by the Council of the City of Binghamton at a meeting held on 1/25/23. Approved by the Mayor on 1/26/23

☐ Code of the City of Binghamton

☐ Adopted ☐ Defeated

6 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Abstain 1 Absent