

MEMORANDUM
Bloomington Common Council - Committee on Council Processes
Bloomington City Hall, Allison Conference Room #225, Bloomington, Indiana
Monday, September 8, 2025

NOTE: Formal minutes are not produced for committee meetings; however, the following summarizes actions taken at the meeting of the Committee on Council Processes.

Meeting called to order: 12:15pm

Chair: Isabel Piedmont-Smith

Councilmembers present: Isabel Piedmont-Smith, Sydney Zulich, Matt Flaherty

Councilmembers present via Zoom: Courtney Daily

Councilmembers absent: None

City staff, officials, and guests present: Lisa Lehner, Christine Chang, Julius Mitchell, Samuel Roll, Kari Bennett, Anna Holmes, Deputy Clerk Jennifer Crossley

Topics Discussed:

1. Agenda review and approval
2. Updates
 - a. Code of Conduct for Board and Commission members (Deputy Clerk Crossley)
 - b. Sign-in for public comment at meetings – Implementation update
 - c. Proposal for the planning and scheduling of deliberation sessions – Implementation update*
3. City residency requirement for service on boards and commissions
 - a. Request from Bloomington Arts Commission*
 - b. Clarification of residency requirements in city code (2.08.020)*
4. Order of business at regular sessions of Council*
 - a. Vote to change 2.04.380 (4)(b) to clarify that reports from city boards are commissions are allowed
 - b. Time limits for each report under 2.04.380 (4)(b)
 - c. Adding Third Readings to the order of business (2.04.380)
 - d. Allowing discussion of legislation at First Reading (2.04.300)*
 - *Item d and item e could be considered an either/or choice.*

MOTION: Piedmont-Smith moved and it was seconded by Zulich to amend 2.04.380 (4) (B) of Regular Sessions of the agenda to include the Mayor, City Clerk, city offices, and/or city boards and commissions in the order of business for the full council to review.

ACTION: The motion was approved by a roll call vote of Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

MOTION: Zulich moved and it was seconded by Flaherty to recommend to the council president to adopt a 5-minute time limit for each report under 4B.

ACTION: The motion was approved by a roll call vote of Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

5. City Council staff processes*
6. Public comment
7. Adjournment

*Denotes attachment included in the meeting packet

ACTION: Piedmont-Smith adjourned the meeting.

Meeting ended: 1:42 pm

Clerk's Note: The above referenced attachments can be found in the packet online:

<https://bloomington.in.gov/council/processes>

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- Community Action Television Services (CATS) – <https://catvstv.net>
- YouTube – <https://youtube.com/@citybloomington>

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