

Bloomington Common Council-Committee on Council Processes Memorandum
Allison Conference Room #225, City Hall, 401 N. Morton Street, Bloomington, Indiana
Tuesday, March 24, 2026, 4:00pm

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

Meeting called to order: 4:03pm

Chair: Isabel Piedmont-Smith

Committee members present: Isabel Piedmont-Smith, Hopi Stosberg, Sydney Zulich

Committee members present via Zoom: none

Committee members absent: Courtney Daily

Staff present:

Topics Discussed:

1. Agenda review and approval

ACTION: Stosberg moved and Zulich seconded to approve the agenda. The motion was approved by voice vote.

2. Implementation of discussion at first reading

- a. Updated draft process for legislation discussed at first and second reading (enclosed)
- b. Discussion
- c. Public comment
- d. Next steps

3. Consent agendas

- a. Review of draft legislation (enclosed)
- b. Discussion of logistical implication, such as
 - i. Should staff always be at the meeting to present consent agenda legislation, in case it is moved off the consent agenda and requires full deliberation?
 - ii. How should the council president decide what legislative items are “non-controversial or administrative”?
 - iii. How can we best communicate with the public about the consent agenda concept, and when/if they should expect to have a chance to comment on items on the consent agenda?
- c. Public comment
- d. Vote

4. Councilmember Sponsorship of All Items of Legislation
 - a. Pros and cons
 - b. Possible exemption for appropriation ordinances (IC 36-4-7-8)
 - c. Discussion of logistical implications, such as
 - i. How does the administration seek a sponsor?
 - ii. Role of council staff
 - iii. Responsibilities of the sponsor
 - d. Public comment
 - e. Next steps

5. Allowing non-city residents to serve on boards and commissions
 - a. Report back from Environmental Commission, Transportation Commission, Farmers' Market Advisory Commission, MLK Birthday Commission, Digital Underground Advisory Commission, and CAPS Commission
 - b. Any insights from the current interview committee process?
 - c. Next steps

6. Reminder: Regular monthly meetings of the committee on 3rd Thursdays, 4-5:30pm

7. Adjournment

Meeting ended: 5:26pm

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

Background materials and packets are available at: <https://bloomington.in.gov/council/processes/meetings>