



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 25-1919, Agenda Item #: 7.

9/11/2025

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 2-5 (Council Action, Appeals, Terms, and Committees) to add a new article to define external Council bodies, clarify appointment procedures, and modify definitions.

Funding: This item has no fiscal impact.

Lead Department

Office of the City Clerk.

Fiscal Note

This item has no fiscal impact.

Prior Council Action:

December 12, 2024 - Council approved Resolution 20241212-133 which included direction to staff to draft Ordinance for single section of the City Code that clearly establishes the responsibilities of Council appointments to intergovernmental bodies.

For More Information:

Erika Brady, City Clerk.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

February 19, 2025 - Presentation discussing suggested Code amendments made to the Audit and Finance Committee.

Additional Backup Information:

In December 2024 Council passed a resolution directing the City Manager to review the inventory of current boards and commissions, task forces, council corporations, and intergovernmental bodies and return to City Council with recommendations and an associated City Code amendment, establish a website, evaluate translation services, and work with the City Clerk regarding a regular sunset review process. Part of this direction included the desire for City Clerk staff to draft an ordinance section of the City Code that clearly establishes the responsibilities of Council appointments to intergovernmental bodies.