

ORDINANCE NO.: 2008-4

SPONSOR: COUNCILPERSONS CROCE, SMOLE & RIDGEWAY  
INTRODUCED: MARCH 11, 2008 ASSIGNED TO: ROLES & PERSONNEL

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING GREEN CITY COUNCIL'S RULES OF PROCEDURE, SPECIFICALLY SECTION 1.2, 2.2, 2.8 AND 6.4, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, City Council recently discovered that their Rules did not provide any guidance regarding cancellation of meetings; and

WHEREAS, City Council also recently learned that their rules conflict with the Charter with respect to the service of council members in certain officer positions on Council; and

WHEREAS, City Council desires to amend their rules and procedures to provide for a procedure for cancellation of meetings; and

WHEREAS, City Council also desires to amend their rules and procedures to make them consistent with the Charter of the City of Green; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREEN, COUNTY OF SUMMIT AND STATE OF OHIO, THAT:**

**SECTION ONE:**

Section 1 - Meetings

Rule 1.2 - Regular Meetings of Green City Council rules is to be amended as follows:

The City Council shall hold its Regular meetings on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Green Administration Building, located at ~~1900 Steese Rd.~~ Council may also convene a regular meeting directly following the Organizational Meeting as provided for in Rule 1.1.

***THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT OR ACTING PRESIDENT SHALL HAVE THE SOLE AUTHORITY TO CANCEL ANY REGULARLY SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING.***

***COUNCIL PRESIDENT SHALL NOTIFY THE CLERK OF COUNCIL WHO WILL THEN NOTIFY INTERESTED PARTIES OF THE CANCELLATION, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO:***

***COUNCIL MEMBERS  
MAYOR  
CITY EMPLOYEES  
MEDIA/PRESS  
SCHOOL PERSONNEL/STUDENTS***

***SCHEDULED SPEAKERS***

**SECTION TWO:**

Section 2 – Council Organization

Rule 2.2 - Term of Office of Green City Council is to be amended as follows:

Any Council member elected **AS PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL OR VICE PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL** may serve for two (2) consecutive one (1) year terms, after which he shall be ineligible for re-election to **THOSE** Council offices until a period of not less than one (1) year has elapsed. (Charter section 4.5)

**SECTION THREE:**

Section 2 – Council Organization

Rule 2.8 - Vacancy of Clerk Position is to be amended as follows:

During the temporary absence or disability of the Clerk of Council, ~~Council shall by affirmative vote of a simple majority of its members appoint a like qualified elector to perform the duties of that office.~~ **THE DEPUTY CLERK SHALL PERFORM THE DUTIES OF THE CLERK OF COUNCIL. IF NO INDIVIDUAL HOLDS THE POSITION OF DEPUTY CLERK, COUNCIL SHALL APPOINT A QUALIFIED ELECTOR OF THE CITY, BY A MAJORITY VOTE, TO PERFORM THE DUTIES OF THE CLERK OF COUNCIL.**

**SECTION FOUR:**

Section 6 – Enacting Legislation

Section 6.4 – Demand for Vote is to be amended as follows:

Any member may demand the yeas and nays and it shall be taken on the passage of any resolution, question or proposition submitted to Council. In taking the yeas and nays, the Clerk shall call the names of the members ~~in alphabetical order~~. Before the announcement of the vote by the President, the Clerk shall read the votes so taken upon demand of any member.

**SECTION FIVE:**

The City of Green finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in open meetings of this Council and any deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

**SECTION SIX:**

Council declares this to be an emergency immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Green. Provided that this legislation receives the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members elected or appointed to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest time allowed by law.

ADOPTED: April 9, 2008

Molly Stevens  
Molly Stevens, Clerk

Christine Croce  
Christine Croce, Council President

APPROVED: April 9, 2008

Richard G. Norton  
Richard G. Norton, Mayor

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ENACTED EFFECTIVE: April 9, 2008

ON ROLL CALL: Colopy - YEA Croce - YEA France - YEA Manwaring - YEA  
Reed - YEA Ridgeway - YEA Smole - YEA Adopted 7-0es Amended

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Molly Stevens  
Molly Stevens, Clerk

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