

**LEE'S SUMMIT CITY CHARTER
AS AMENDED APRIL 4, 2017**

Section 3.13. Legislative Proceedings.

(e) Procedure.

- (1) Every proposed ordinance shall be read by title in open Council meeting two times before final passage not more than one of which shall be on the same day; and at least one week shall elapse between introduction and final passage, unless the ordinance shall have received a recommendation of approval from a City Council Committee.
- (2) A copy of each proposed ordinance shall be provided for each Council member at the time of its introduction and made available in electronic format until it is finally adopted or fails of adoption. Copies shall be available in the Office of the City Clerk and publically available on the City's web site.
- (3) Persons interested in a proposed ordinance shall be given an opportunity to be heard before the Council in accordance with such rules and regulations as the Council may adopt.
- (4) If the Council adopts an amendment to a proposed ordinance that constitutes a change in substance, any member of the Council may require that the proposed ordinance as amended be placed on file for public inspection in the Office of City Clerk for one additional week before final passage. In the absence of such a request, the Council may consider the amended ordinance at the same meeting.

(f) Emergency Ordinances. An ordinance may be passed as an emergency measure on the day of its introduction if it contains a declaration describing in clear and specific terms the facts and reasons constituting the emergency and receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the entire Council. An ordinance granting, reviewing or extending a franchise shall not be passed as an emergency ordinance. The emergency procedure shall be restricted to the following:

- (1) Bills concerning the immediate preservation of public peace, property, health, economic development, safety or morals.
- (2) An appropriation for payment of principal or interest of the public debt.
- (3) An appropriation for the payment of current expenses of the City government or payment of compromise settlement of damage claims upon recommendations of the City Attorney.
- (4) Calling an election or providing for the submission of a proposal to the people.
- (5) Any ordinance fixing any tax rate or assessment.
- (6) Any ordinance relating to the public improvement to be paid for by special assessment.