



Proclamation of Emergency Rule No. 6

Emergency Rule No. 6 – Format for Public Meetings and Capacity of Council Chambers

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WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the City Manager and the Mayor of Tacoma, pursuant to Chapter 1.10 of the Tacoma Municipal Code and Chapter 38.52 of the Revised Code of Washington (“RCW”), proclaimed that an emergency exists caused by COVID-19 (“Proclamation”) in the City of Tacoma; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Proclamation, the Mayor is authorized to issue rules reasonably related to the protection of life, and such rules must be confirmed at the earliest practicable time by the City Council; and

WHEREAS Second Amended Emergency Rule No. 1, effective August 10, 2021, and confirmed by the City Council on August 3, 2021, set the maximum occupancy of the Council Chambers to 50%, or 72 persons, excluding Council Members and City staff; and

WHEREAS Emergency Rule No. 5, effective February 23, 2022, and confirmed by the City Council on February 22, 2022, allows all public meetings of the entire City Council and Public Utility Board to be held in a hybrid format that includes an in-person component and a remote option, and requires that all other public meetings of the City of Tacoma be held in remote/virtual format only; Now, therefore,

BE IT ORDERED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

Effective Monday, June 13, 2022, Second Amended Emergency Rule No. 1, relating to Capacity of Council Chambers, and Emergency Rule No. 5, relating to Format for Public Meetings, are terminated.

Effective Monday, June 13, 2022, the City Council and Council Standing Committees, and the Public Utility Board shall hold their public meetings in-person and may include a hybrid format that includes a remote option. These public meetings include regular and special meetings of the City Council and their Standing Committees, the Public Utility Board, and any other public meeting of the entire City Council or Board, or Council Standing Committees. Public meetings with a remote component that are held by the City Council or Public Utility Board will be held in compliance with applicable State guidelines.



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Effective Wednesday, May 25, 2022, all other public meetings of the City of Tacoma shall be held in remote/virtual format only.

This emergency rule shall remain in effect until the Proclamation of Emergency has been terminated or the rule has been amended or terminated.

Dated _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

City Attorney