2023 - 2026 Council Budget Deliberation Process Amendment Randomization

Office of the City Clerk
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Presentation Overview

1. High-level Budget Deliberation Process

2. Review of Amendment Randomization Options

3. Questions and Approval of Randomization Option

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High-Level Budget Deliberation Process

Step 1: Main Budget Motion (x 4) are put on the floor and seconded (Capital, Operating and Utility x 2)

Step 2: Questions and **Capital Amendments** are put on the floor, seconded and postponed

Step 3: Questions and **Operating Amendments** are put on the floor, seconded and postponed

Step 4: Question and **Op/Cap Amendments to Utility Budgets** are put, seconded and postponed

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High-Level Budget Deliberation Process cont...

Step 5: Chair, askes for all remaining amendments to be put, seconded and postpond

Step 6: BREAK (City Clerk completes **AMENDMENT RANDOMIZATION** by category)

Step 7: Results of randomization share with Council/Admin/Public

Step 8: Debate and Vote on Amendments (Capital then Operating then Utility)

Step 9: Speak to and vote on the final budget motions

Starting Point for all Randomized Amendment Options

- All amendments have been put, seconded and postponed
- Office of the Clerk has consolidated them all into three separate lists, Amendments to the
  - Capital Budget
  - Operating Budget
  - Utility Budgets (sub-divided into Capital and Operating)
- Order of voting is Amendments to Capital, then Operating and then Utility Budgets

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Randomization Option 1: Out and Back Draw

1. Random Draw to determine the order in which Member makes amendments, 1-13.

2. Round 1: Based on the draw order, 1-13 each Member puts 1 amendment of their choice on the floor, introduction, debate and vote.

3. Round 2: Order reverses, based on draw order 13-1 each Member puts 1 amendment on the floor, introduction, debate and vote.

4. Rounds are repeated until all amendments are dealt with.

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Randomization Option 2: Aggregated Dot List

1. Each Members gets a predetermined number of sticker dots (recommend a % of the total amendments) and places one dot on each of the amendments they want prioritized for voting purposes.
2. OCC calculates the dots for each amendment within the category and provides the prioritized voting list
3. The amendments are dealt with in the prioritized order, starting with those with the most number of dots.
4. Amendments with the same # of dots (OCC will randomize the amendments)
5. After the first round of prioritized voting, Council will repeat step one until all amendments have been voted

Randomization Option 3: Randomized

1. Amendments are separated into whether they increase or decrease the budget and then randomized for voting purposes

2. Amendments that decrease are dealt with first, then amendments that increase.

Randomization Option 4: First Moved, First Voted On

1. Amendments are voted on in the order in which they are made.

Randomization Option 5: Hybrid - Randomized/Draw

1. Amendments are randomized and a draw is used to select a member who puts one amendment on the floor based on draw order + randomized order.
2. Step 1. is repeated to complete the draw order and then the draw order is repeated until all amendments are completed

Recommendation

That Option _____ in Attachment 1 of the November 14, 2022, Office of the City Clerk report OCC01563, be approved.

Questions and thank you