

By: Council Member Woodruff
Introduced: 01/26/09
Public Hearing: 02/09/09
Amended: 02/09/09
Adopted: 02/09/09

**CITY OF WASILLA
ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 09-16(AM)**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE WASILLA CITY COUNCIL AMENDING WMC 2.04.060(A),
SPECIFICALLY TO MODIFY THE TIME COUNCIL MEETINGS WILL COMMENCE.**

Section 1. Classification. This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and shall become part of the city code.

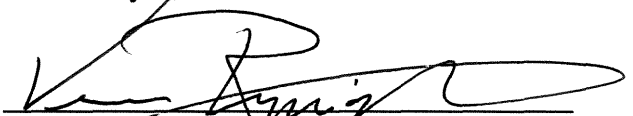
Section 2. Amendment of subsection. WMC 2.04.060.A is hereby amended to read as follows:

A. Regular meetings of the council shall be held on the second and fourth Mondays of each month beginning at six [SEVEN] p.m. in the council chambers, unless otherwise designated by the council. The council may cancel a regular meeting, however, if no quorum exists. In an emergency, the mayor may cancel a regular meeting. No regular meeting shall be held on any holiday recognized by the city or on the fourth Monday of December.

Section 3. Effective date. This ordinance shall take effect November 1, 2009.

ADOPTED by the Wasilla City Council on February 9, 2009.

ATTEST:


VERNE E. RUPRIGHT, Mayor



KRISTIE SMITHERS, MMC, City Clerk

[SEAL]

VOTE: Cox, Harris, Holler, Larson and Woodruff in favor; Hall absent.

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**CITY OF WASILLA
LEGISLATION STAFF REPORT**

**RE: Ordinance Serial No. 09-16: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
WMC 2.04.080(A), SPECIFICALLY TO MODIFY THE TIME COUNCIL
MEETINGS WILL COMMENCE.**

Agenda of: January 26, 2008

Date: January 13, 2009

Originator: Amanda Charles for Council Member Woodruff

Route to:	Department	Signature/Date
X	Deputy Administrator Planning, Economic Development, Human Resources	<i>Maura Lyall</i>
X	City Clerk	<i>Kornika</i>

REVIEWED BY MAYOR VERNE E. RUPRIGHT: *Verne Rupright*

FISCAL IMPACT: yes \$ _____ or no Funds Available yes no

Account name/number:
Attachments: None

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

In the past the Wasilla City Council has discussed the option of changing the starting time for regular Council meetings from 7 p.m. to 6 p.m.

When researching the starting times for meetings of other municipalities within the state, it was not uncommon for them to begin at 6 p.m.

A start time of 6 p.m. still allows time for commuters to attend Council meetings and for them to get home to their families at a reasonable hour.

Moving the time to 6 p.m. will save the City money by decreasing the amount of billable staff hours. As is known, lesser staff hours produces an increase in staff morale which in-turn increases employees effectiveness on the job.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Adoption of Ordinance Serial No. 09- 16.