

CITY OF MADISON, WISCONSIN

Creating Subsection 2.08(4) of the Madison General Ordinances to modify the process of determining and making recommended motions related to Council agenda items.

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DRAFTER’S ANALYSIS: Consistent with current practice, this ordinance provides that the Mayor or presiding officer shall recognize either the Council President or another member of the Council to initiate motions on the Council floor. The Council President or recognized alder may defer to another alder to make a motion on a particular agenda item. The ordinance also permits amendments or alternative motions to be made at any time after the initial motion has been made, such as prior to or during staff presentations or questions to staff.

The Common Council of the City of Madison do hereby ordain as follows:

4. Subsection (4) of Section 2.08 entitled “Motions” of the Madison General Ordinances is created as follows:

“(4) The presiding officer shall recognize the Council President or another member of the Council to initiate motions for each agenda item pursuant to Sec. 2.055(5). The President or recognized member may defer to another alder to make such a motion. Other germane motions are in order at any time after the initial motion is made.”