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RESOLUTION ON RULES OF ORDER AND PROCEDURE OF THE CITY COUNCIL

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Chicago that the Rules of Order and Procedure of the City Council, City of Chicago for the years 2011-2015 are hereby amended by adding the language underscored and deleting the language struck-through as follows:

RULE 8. During the session of the City Council, no one, unless by consent of the Council, shall be admitted within the bar of the City Council Chamber except representatives of the press, television, radio, ex-Aldermen except as provided in Rule 56, and persons invited by the Mayor or other Presiding Officer. The Mayor or Presiding Officer shall assign seats for the persons invited by them. The Committee on Committees, Rules and Ethics shall assign an area or areas for said media of communications, and such area or areas shall be for the reporters and for such cameras and recording devices or other equipment as may be necessary for use of said media of communications.

No ~~person~~ registered lobbyist shall, at during any meeting of the Council or meetings of any Council committee or subcommittee, solicit any individual Alderman to vote for or against any person or proposition.

Elected officials currently holding office shall not be allowed to lobby any member of the Council on behalf of any individual or corporation who pays them to do so.

RULE 14. Every member who shall be present when a question is stated from the Chair shall vote thereon, unless excused by the Council, they have previously recused themselves due to financial interests or other ethical considerations as required by law.

RULE 41. All ordinances, orders, petitions, resolutions, motions, communications or other propositions shall be referred, without debate, to the appropriate committees and only acted upon by the City Council at a subsequent meeting, on the report of the committee having the same in charge; provided, however, that the following shall not be subject to this rule:

- a) Ordinances fixing the time for the next succeeding regular meeting of the City Council.
- b) Motions listed in Rule 21 and purely procedural motions.
- c) Resolutions determining the membership, Chairman or Vice-Chairman of Council committees, Vice Mayor or President Pro Tempore.

(Language omitted for brevity and is unaffected by this resolution)

Whenever any referred matter shall not have been reported back to the City Council by the committee to which referred, within a period of sixty (60) days from the date of referral, any Alderman may move to discharge the committee from further consideration of that matter. The motion to discharge shall be made under the order of "Miscellaneous Business", and shall require the affirmative vote of a majority of all the Aldermen entitled by law to be elected and call for a vote to be taken on the matter by the entire City Council under the order of "New Business" upon delivering notice that shall be time stamped by the City Clerk, along with copies delivered to all Aldermen, at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the next City Council meeting.

No deferred matter, whether deferred pursuant to these rules or pursuant to statute, may be called for a vote unless written notice identifying each matter to be called for a vote, is delivered to, and time stamped

by, the City Clerk and copies delivered to all Aldermen at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the City Council meeting.