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Legislation Text

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Ordinance 10-16 - Election of Common Council President

An ordinance to amend Sec. 2-61. -Organizational Meeting in Chapter 2 -Administration, Article II. -Common Council, Division 3. -Meetings of the Municipal Code of the City of Racine, Wisconsin.

The Common Council of the City of Racine, Wisconsin, do ordain as follows:

Part 1: Amend subsection (b) of Sec. 2-61. -Organizational Meeting of the Municipal Code of the City of Racine, Wisconsin by adding the following subsections:

"1. The mayor shall accept nominations for council president from the floor. Once nominations are complete, each nominee shall be afforded not more than five minutes to present reasons he/she should be appointed. A vote shall be taken by open ballot.

2. If there are more than two nominations, and no nominee receives enough votes to constitute a majority of the aldermanic members of the common council present, the two nominees receiving the most votes shall be voted upon. If more than two nominees tie for the largest number of votes, the aldermanic members of the common council present shall vote again. If no nominee receives a majority and there are still more than two who tie for the largest number of votes, the names of those nominees shall be written by the city clerk on individual pieces of paper, and the mayor shall draw two names to be voted upon.

3. In the event that there is a tie between the two nominees, or no nominee receives enough votes to constitute a majority of the aldermanic members of the common council present, after five successive votes, the mayor shall select the council president by choosing between the two final nominees."

Part 2:This ordinance shall take effect upon passage by a majority vote of the members-elect of the City Common Council and publication or posting as required by law.

Passed by the Common Council:

Fiscal Note: N/A