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Title:	First reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of New Braunfels, Texas establishing the rules and order of business of the New Braunfels City Council.		
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Attachments:	1. 2021-04-12 Ordinance Chapter 2 Amendment		

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result

PRESENTER:
Caitlin Krobot, City Secretary

SUBJECT:
First reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of New Braunfels, Texas establishing the rules and order of business of the New Braunfels City Council.

DEPARTMENT: City Secretary

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: City-wide

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:
Chapter 2, Division 2 of the City's Code of Ordinances includes rules and order of business as it relates to City Council meetings. Additionally, the City Charter provides that the City Council is authorized to establish its own rules and order of business.

Staff conducted peer research and recommends the proposed amendments to Chapter 2, Division 2 of the Code of Ordinances which provide greater flexibility and increase efficiency in handling the business of the City during City Council meetings.

Section 2-36 includes a proposed amendment to add the flexibility for Executive Session to begin at 5:00 p.m. and that the official posted agenda shall specify the subjects and the order of each meeting. Additionally, it clarifies the way the presiding officer shall take a vote to be consistent with the City Charter. Section 2-37 adds that the order of the business shall list all items for consideration in a format recommended by the City Manager and removes the previous order of business listed. Section 2-38 clarifies the way the presiding officer shall take a vote to be consistent with the proposed revisions in Section 2-36 and the City Charter.

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ISSUE:
The proposed amendments align with the City's strategic priority of effective management.

FISCAL IMPACT:
There is no fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION:
Staff recommends approval.