ORDINANCE 2015-023 PASSED: APRIL 27, 2015

AMENDING CHAPTER 2 "CITY COUNCIL" OF
THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF
DEKALB, ILLINOIS PERTAINING PUBLIC
PARTICIPATION AT CITY COUNCIL
MEETINGS.

WHEREAS, the City of DeKalb, DeKalb County, Illinois is a home rule community with those
powers granted under the provisions of the Illinois Constitution and the Illinois Municipal Code,
65 ILCS 5/1-1-1; et. seq.; and,

WHEREAS, the City of DeKalb currently maintains Chapter 2 of the City Code, which relates
to the City Council, and wishes to make certain updates to said Chapter; and,

WHEREAS, the City of DeKalb City Council has determined that it is necessary to provide such
regulations in order to properly and adequately protect the public health, safety, welfare and
morals; and,

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of DeKalb,
DeKalb County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. Ordinances Amended:

A) Section 2.06(c) shall be amended as follows:

c) The intent and purpose of the Committee of the Whole meetings shall be
primarily for the purpose of discussion of consideration items brought before the Council
and various matters which require a presentation and/or upon which discussion is
anticipated, but not for the passage of Ordinances or Resolutions. The Council may
discuss items and may make motions to provide policy direction or recommendations or
to direct that items be brought back to a future City Council meeting for further
consideration or approval.

B) Section 2.12(ad) shall be amended as follows:

ad) Authority of the Chair: The chair of any meeting shall be authorized to suspend
comments by or to interrupt any speaker who engages in any disruptive, insulting or
unlawful behavior, and to suspend all or any part of the Rules for Public Comment, to the
extent permitted by law. The chair shall also be permitted to exercise any authority
permitted under other sections of the City Code, the Illinois Municipal Code, or Roberts
Rules of Order. The chair shall be permitted to promulgate other rules as deemed
necessary to prevent duplicative comments or to ensure that comments received relate to
public business of the City, or the topic(s) or issue(s) then under discussion.

Section 2. All ordinances or portions thereof in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.
All agreements in violation of the terms of this Ordinance shall be terminated, effective immediately.

Section 3. Should any provision of this Ordinance be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions will remain in full force and affect the same as if the invalid provision had not been a part of this Ordinance.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after passage and publication pursuant to law. Publication date: April 28, 2015. Effective date: May 8, 2015.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL of the City of DeKalb, Illinois at a regular meeting thereof held on the 27 day of April, 2015 and approved by me as Mayor on the same day. First Reading, Recommended Waiver of Second Reading and Passage. Passed by roll call vote of 6-0-2. Aye: Finucane, Lash, Snow, Naylor, Baker, Rey. Nay: None. Absent: Jacobson, O’Leary.

ATTEST:

MARCIA E. SWEIGERT, City Clerk

JOHN A. REY, Mayor