

**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**Section 2.** All ordinances or portions thereof in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

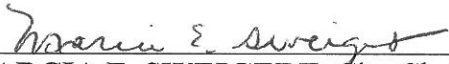
All agreements in violation of the terms of this Ordinance shall be terminated, effective immediately.

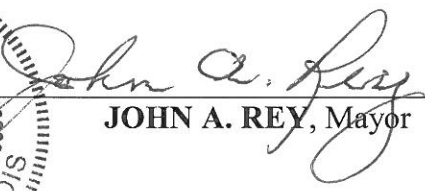
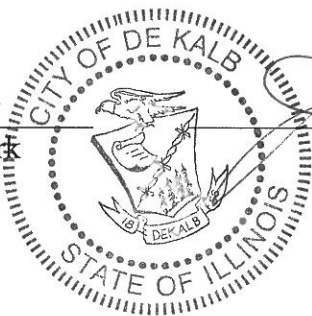
**Section 3.** Should any provision of this Ordinance be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions will remain in full force and affect the same as if the invalid provision had not been a part of this Ordinance.

**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