SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT #1
ORDINANCE NO. 847

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 2-53 AND SECTION 2-54(F) OF THE CITY OF FORT ATKINSON CODE OF GENERAL ORDINANCES RELATING TO THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND RULES AND BYLAWS FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin, does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. Amends Sec. 2-53. Order of Business to read as follows:

"The order of business at all council meetings shall be as follows:

(1) Call meeting to order.
(2) Roll call.
(3) Pledge of allegiance.
(4) Consent Agenda, including approval of minutes of previous council meeting.
(5) Public hearings.
(6) Public comment for matters on the agenda.
(7) Petitions, requests and communications.
(8) Resolutions and ordinances.
(9) Reports of officers, boards and committees.
(10) Unfinished business.
(11) New business.
(12) Miscellaneous.
(13) General public comment.
(14) Claims, appropriations and contract payments.
(15) Adjournment.

(Code 1969, §1.02; Ord. No. 699, 8-3-10)"

Section 2. Amends Sec. 2-54(f). Rules and bylaws to read as follows:

"(f) *Public comment at council meetings.*
(1) *Structure.*
a. Council reserves the right to limit length of public comment sessions. Individual speakers allotted maximum of three minutes and cannot deter their three minutes to another person.

b. Anyone wishing to speak is required to enter the following information on the signup sheet which will be available just prior to any council meeting (either posted at the door or at the clerk's desk):

Name (printed)
Address
Subject matter of comment
Telephone # or email address (optional)

c. Speakers will be called to speak in the order in which they signed up.

(2) *Other.*

a. For general public comments, subject matter of speaker's comments is not limited to agenda items. For public comment for matters on the agenda, the subject matter of speaker's comments is limited to those agenda items. For any public comments, the following topics are prohibited:

1. Political topics (of any nature).
2. Issues regarding or with city staff.
3. Any subject not relevant to the interest of the City of Fort Atkinson.

b. Council president will decide on the appropriateness of any speaker's comments.

c. Comments by council members in regard to the subject addressed by any speaker will be limited solely to clarification questions addressed to the speaker, with the speaker having been advised by council president prior to that public comment session that no action or other consideration would be taken by the council on public comments relating to non-agenda items for that council meeting."

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect after passage, posting, or publication as provided by law.

Enacted by the City Council of the City of Fort Atkinson, Jefferson County, Wisconsin, this 5 day of Aug., 2025.

Fort Atkinson City Council

Kyle Jaeckel

Kyle Jaeckel, President

ATTEST:

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Michelle Ebbert, City Clerk/Treasurer/Finance Director