

ORDINANCE NO. 3546

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA AMENDING  
SECTION 2.04.050 OF THE CHULA VISTA MUNICIPAL CODE  
RELATING TO WORKSHOPS

WHEREAS, Section 2.04.050 of the Chula Vista Municipal Code (“CVMC”) establishes rules, policies, and guidelines related to the convening of City Council workshops; and

WHEREAS, CVMC Section 2.04.050(A) provides that “[t]he Mayor may announce, or the Council on majority vote may direct, at any regular Council meeting, the convening of a Council workshop on the first Thursday of the month...” and further provides that such meetings “shall be conducted in a “workshop” context according to the rules, policies, and guidelines herein set forth in this section”; and

WHEREAS, in order to ensure the efficient scheduling and proper noticing of workshops, staff recommends removing the requirement to announce the convening of a workshop at a regular Council meeting and clarifying that related noticing shall be in accordance with the Brown Act; and

WHEREAS, CVMC Section 2.04.050(E) provides that “Council workshop meetings shall be deemed a regular City Council meeting for all intents and purposes, and the City Council shall have the full authority to take any and all actions which the City Council is otherwise authorized by law or Charter to take at meetings”; and

WHEREAS, in order to support the efficient conduct of workshops, staff recommends deeming workshops to be special meetings of the City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Chula Vista does ordain as follows:

**Section I.** Section 2.04.050(A) of the Chula Vista Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The Mayor may announce, or the Council on majority vote may direct the convening of a Council workshop. Workshops shall be held on the first Thursday of the month at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers in the Civic Center Complex, Administration Building, at 276 Fourth Avenue, unless otherwise noticed. Said meeting shall be known as a “Council workshop,” conducted in a “workshop” context consistent with the provisions of this section, and noticed in accordance with the Brown Act.

**Section II.** Section 2.04.050(E) of the Chula Vista Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Council workshop meetings shall be deemed a special City Council meeting for all intents and purposes, and the City Council shall have the full authority to take any and all actions which the City Council is otherwise authorized by law or Charter to take at meetings.

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**Section III. Severability**

If any portion of this Ordinance, or its application to any person or circumstance, is for any reason held to be invalid, unenforceable or unconstitutional, by a court of competent jurisdiction, that portion shall be deemed severable, and such invalidity, unenforceability or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of the Ordinance, or its application to any other person or circumstance. The City Council of the City of Chula Vista hereby declares that it would have adopted each section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance, irrespective of the fact that any one or more other sections, sentences, clauses or phrases of the Ordinance be declared invalid, unenforceable or unconstitutional.

**Section IV. Construction**

The City Council of the City of Chula Vista intends this Ordinance to supplement, not to duplicate or contradict, applicable state and federal law and this Ordinance shall be construed in light of that intent.

**Section V. Effective Date**

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force on the thirtieth day after its final passage.

**Section VI. Publication**

The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Ordinance and shall cause the same to be published or posted according to law.

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Presented by

Approved as to form

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PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Chula Vista, California, this 28th day of March 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers: Cardenas, Chavez, Gonzalez, Preciado, and McCann  
NAYS: Councilmembers: None  
ABSENT: Councilmembers: None

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*John McCann*  
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John McCann, Mayor

ATTEST:

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*Kerry K. Bigelow*  
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Kerry K. Bigelow, MMC, City Clerk

For

STATE OF CALIFORNIA       )  
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO     )  
CITY OF CHULA VISTA       )

I, Kerry K. Bigelow, City Clerk of Chula Vista, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 3546 had its first reading at a regular meeting held on the 7th day of March 2023, and its second reading and adoption at a regular meeting of said City Council held on the 28th day of March 2023 and was duly published in summary form in accordance with the requirements of state law and the City Charter.

4/10/2023  
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Dated

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