



City Council Rules Committee  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 18, 2015**  
City Hall – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room  
12:00 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Councilor St. Hilaire - Committee Chair, Councilors Bouchard, Grady Sexton and Matson. Councilor Bennett was absent. Mayor Jim Bouley was also present.

Staff Members Present: City Clerk Janice Bonenfant and City Solicitor Jim Kennedy.

Committee Chair Councilor St. Hilaire called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m. indicating that attached to the agenda before members of the committee were copies of the January 14, 2015 meeting minutes along with a copy of a communication Councilor Herschlag sent to Mayor Bouley in advance of the City Council CIP work session that was held last evening.

Councilor Matson moved to amend the January 14, 2015 draft meeting minutes to reflect Mayor Bouley as a committee member, striking the sentence; Mayor Jim Bouley was present, and adding his name to the committee members present section. She further requested that the words *was in attendance* be removed from the first line of the third paragraph of the minutes. The motion was duly seconded and passed with no dissenting votes.

Committee members indicated that prior to discussing Councilor Herschlag's communication they would prefer to review information the City Solicitor had prepared, in follow-up to the January Rules Committee Meeting, in the hopes that Councilor Herschlag's concerns would be addressed within potential amendments to the current Rules of the City Council.

Committee Chair St. Hilaire recognized City Solicitor, Jim Kennedy. Solicitor Kennedy distributed marked up copies of the current Rules of the City Council indicating that, based on committee discussion and comment at the January Rules Committee meeting, he was before committee members with suggested amendments to the current rules for the committee's consideration, review and edit.

Members met and began review of the solicitor's suggested edits; during review of the suggested edits committee members reiterated that any amendments to the current rules should model the City Charter as well as the City's ethics ordinance. Solicitor Kennedy indicated that a Board of Ethics meeting would be scheduled once the Rules Committee

finalized their recommendations so that the Board of Ethics could consider potential changes to the city's Ethics Ordinance.

Members completed review through page 6 of 8 of the solicitor's suggestions, prior to adjourning the meeting at approximately 1:25 p.m.

*A true copy; I attest:*

*Janice Bonenfant  
City Clerk*