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3 By Committee on Local Government

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- 5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 6 following:
- 7 "Sec. 1. RCW 35.27.270 and 1965 c 7 s 35.27.270 are each amended 8 to read as follows:
- The town council shall meet ((on the second Tuesday)) in January 9 succeeding the date of the general municipal election, shall take the 10 oath of office, and shall hold regular meetings at least once each 11 12 month at such times as may be fixed by ordinance. Special meetings may 13 be called at any time by the mayor or by three ((councilmen)) 14 councilmembers, by written notice ((delivered to each member at least 15 three hours before the time specified for the proposed meeting)) as 16 provided in RCW 42.30.080. No resolution or order for the payment of 17 money shall be passed at any other than a regular meeting. No such
- 18 resolution or order shall be valid unless passed by the votes of at
- 19 least three ((councilmen)) councilmembers.
- 20 All meetings of the council shall be held ((within the corporate
- 21 limits of the town,)) at such places as may be designated by
- 22 ((ordinance and shall)) the town council. All final actions on
- 23 resolutions and ordinances must take place within the corporate limits
- 24 of the town. All meetings of the town council must be public.
- 25 **Sec. 2.** RCW 35.24.180 and 1965 c 7 s 35.24.180 are each amended to 26 read as follows:
- 27 The city council and mayor shall meet ((on the first Tuesday)) in
- 28 January next succeeding the date of each general municipal election,
- 29 and shall take the oath of office, and shall hold regular meetings at
- 30 least once during each month but not to exceed one regular meeting in
- 31 each week, at such times as may be fixed by ordinance.
- 32 Special meetings may be called by the mayor by written notice
- 33 ((delivered to each member of the council at least three hours before
- 34 the time specified for the proposed meeting)) as provided in RCW

42.30.080. No ordinances shall be passed or contract let or entered into, or bill for the payment of money allowed at any special meeting.

All meetings of the city council shall be held ((within the corporate limits of the city)) at such place as may be designated by ((ordinance)) the city council. All final actions on resolutions and ordinances must take place within the corporate limits of the city.

All meetings of the city council must be public.

8 **Sec. 3.** RCW 35A.12.110 and 1979 ex.s. c 18 s 23 are each amended 9 to read as follows:

10 The city council and mayor shall meet regularly, at least once a month, at a place ((within the corporate limits of the city)) and at 11 12 such times as may be ((fixed by ordinance or resolution)) designated by 13 the city council. All final actions on resolutions and ordinances must 14 take place within the corporate limits of the city. Special meetings may be called by the mayor or any three members of the council by 15 written notice delivered to each member of the council at least twenty-16 four hours before the time specified for the proposed meeting. 17 18 actions that have heretofore been taken at special council meetings held pursuant to this section, but for which the number of hours of 19 notice given has been at variance with requirements of RCW 42.30.080, 20 are hereby validated. All council meetings shall be open to the public 21 22 except as permitted by chapter 42.30 RCW. No ordinance or resolution 23 shall be passed, or contract let or entered into, or bill for the 24 payment of money allowed at any meeting not open to the public, nor at 25 any public meeting the date of which is not fixed by ordinance, resolution, or rule, unless public notice of such meeting has been 26 given by such notice to each local newspaper of general circulation and 27 to each local radio or television station, as provided in RCW 42.30.080 28 29 as now or hereafter amended. Meetings of the council shall be presided 30 over by the mayor, if present, or otherwise by the mayor pro tempore, or deputy mayor if one has been appointed, or by a member of the 31 council selected by a majority of the council members at such meeting. 32 Appointment of a council member to preside over the meeting shall not 33 34 in any way abridge his right to vote on matters coming before the council at such meeting. In the absence of the clerk, a deputy clerk 35 36 or other qualified person appointed by the clerk, the mayor, or the

- 1 council, may perform the duties of clerk at such meeting. A journal of
- 2 all proceedings shall be kept, which shall be a public record."

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