

**ORDINANCE NO. 24**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CERTAIN PROCEDURES  
REGARDING THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF GOSHEN, ARKANSAS; AND TO  
DECLARE AN EMERGENCY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Goshen has historically and routinely met on the second Tuesday of each month; and,

WHEREAS, the statutes of the State of Arkansas do not require that the City publish the agenda of the City Council prior to the meeting; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council of City of Goshen to establish a procedure whereby its agenda can be published prior to the regularly scheduled meetings of the Council and notice of any special meetings can be posted; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. 14-55-203, the governing body of a city may fix the deadline for filing referendum petitions regarding any ordinance or local measure; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to establish the deadline for filing referendum petitions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF GOSHEN, ARKANSAS:

1. That the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Goshen shall be held at 7:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month.
2. That any person desiring to have an item placed upon the agenda of regular meeting of the City Council shall submit such item to the City Recorder by the last day of the month preceding the City Council meeting. At the regular meeting, approval of the agenda shall be the next item of business after the call to order and roll call. As part of that item of business, it shall be within the discretion of the City Council, by majority vote, to add additional items to the agenda.
3. That the City Recorder shall compose the agenda of regular meeting of the City Council and cause it to be posted in the five most public places within the City where the City posts ordinances after their adoption, which places are City Hall/Fire Station, Community Bank, Chandler's Plaza, One Stop Mart #2, and the Post Office. This shall be done no later than 5 p.m. Thursday preceding the regular meeting on the following Tuesday. In addition, the City Recorder shall cause the agenda to be published in the Sunday edition of the Northwest Arkansas Times/Arkansas Democrat Gazette prior to the regular meeting.

4. Notice of a special meeting of the City Council shall be posted in the aforementioned five most public places as early as possible to give as much notice as possible. The notice shall state the purposes for which the meeting was called.

5. Whenever possible, any proposed ordinances listed in the agenda of the regular meeting or which comprise the purpose of the special meeting shall be posted on the door of City Hall or made available for inspection within City Hall as much in advance of the meeting as is possible.


6. Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. 14-55-203, the governing body of a city may fix the deadline for filing referendum petitions. The deadline for filing a referendum petition regarding any ordinance or local measure adopted by the City Council of the City of Goshen is hereby fixed as thirty (30) days from the date of enactment of the ordinance or local measure.

7. EMERGENCY CLAUSE: It is hereby declared that based on the conditions set forth herein, an emergency exists and this Ordinance, being necessary for the immediate protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Goshen, Arkansas, shall be in effect immediately upon its passage, approval, and publication.


PASSED AND APPROVED this 12th day of November, 2002.

  
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Euel Bowen, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Sharon Baggett, City Recorder

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Charles Harwell, City Attorney

ROLL CALL

Names Of Those Voting YEA

James Boyd  
Jim Northup  
Max Poye  
Fred Wizer

Names Of Those Voting NAY

Absent

Andy Bethell