

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-TWO

_____ AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 2 OF THE REVISED CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HOLYOKE, MASSACHUSETTS 1997

AN ORDINANCE TO ENCOURAGE IN NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Holyoke as follows:

SECTION 1. Division 1 entitled “Generally” Article V entitled “Finance” of Chapter 2 entitled “Administration” of the Revised Code of Ordinances of the City of Holyoke, Massachusetts, 1997, as amended, is hereby further amended:

BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE

“Section 2-510 – Public Building Construction -City Council Conducting In
Neighborhood Meetings

Prior to the appropriation of funding for the construction of a public building, the city council shall conduct a meeting in the neighborhood where the public building is to be constructed. The on-site meeting shall be conducted in a manner which complies with the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law a/k/a Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30A, Section 20. The City Council President or his/her designee shall preside over such on-site meetings.

The term “in the neighborhood” is herein defined as being the abutters, owners of land directly opposite any public or private street or way, and abutters to the abutters within three hundred feet of the public building construction site.”

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Kathleen E. Degnan
Assistant City Solicitor