



ORDINANCE

REQUIRING NONPUBLIC SESSIONS TO BE ENTIRELY IN-PERSON

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-Two

The City of Nashua ordains that in Part I “Administrative Legislation” Chapter 5 “Administration of Government”, Part 2 “Board of Aldermen”, Article I “Miscellaneous Provisions”, Section 5-5 “Nonpublic sessions” of the Nashua Revised Ordinances, as amended, be hereby further amended by adding the new underlined language as follows:

“§ 5-5. Nonpublic sessions.

The Mayor being the City's chief executive officer and the Board of Aldermen being the City's governing body and policymaking authority and having responsibility for such matters as adoption of budgets, enactment of ordinances, formulating personnel policies, and other important duties, it is necessary that the Mayor and members of the Board of Aldermen have access to information affecting the duties, obligations, claims, achievements, and shortcomings of all City agencies and agents. In furtherance of this principle, the following shall apply:

- A. Neither the Mayor nor any Alderman shall be excluded from any nonpublic session of any aldermanic standing or special committee nor denied access to minutes of any such session.
- B. No Alderman shall be excluded from any nonpublic session of the Finance Committee nor denied access to minutes of any such session.
- C. The boards, commissions, committees and authorities of all other City agencies are urged to invite the Mayor and Aldermen to nonpublic sessions at which issues are discussed that are relevant to decisions, deliberations or votes made by the Mayor or Board of Aldermen.
- D. With respect to aldermanic board meetings, aldermanic standing and special committee meetings, and Finance Committee meetings, all participants in a nonpublic session must be present at the nonpublic session in person; no

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participation in a nonpublic session shall be permitted by electronic or other means of communication. This requirement takes precedence over other ordinances or rules which allow meeting participation by electronic or other means of communication as long as permitted by and in accordance with New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated Chapter 91-A.”

PASSED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN – MAY 9, 2023

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR – MAY 11, 2023

ATTEST: DANIEL R. HEALEY, CITY CLERK

