

Staff Report

For City Council Meeting - 6/4/2025

Subject - Ordinance/Resolutions - Ordinance #946 - An Ordinance Amending the Start Time of City Council Meetings

Synopsis: At the May City Council meeting, Mayor Smith requested Council consider an ordinance changing the start time of regular Council meetings from 7 p.m. to 6 p.m. The attached Ordinance #946 draft reflects the change. Mayor Smith will lead the discussion, sharing with Council why he seeks the requested change.

Council Options:

- Motion to approve Ordinance #946 reading once by the title only;
- Make further changes and motion to approve as amended;
- Take other action desired by Council.

Recommended Motion: Staff has no recommendation on the start time of meetings; this is a Council decision. If motioned to approve by title only, the ordinance would be read again by title only in July, taking effect 30 days later in August.

Legal Analysis: Consider the pattern of scheduling a public hearing, an executive session, or a worksession would be affected, abutting right up to the end of the work day at 5 p.m.

Financial Analysis: N/A

Respectfully Submitted,

Chad



AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE TIME OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS, REPEALING ORDINANCE 697, AND AMENDING SECTION 1 OF ORDINANCE 653

The City of Gearhart ordains as follows:

City Administrator, Chad Sweet

Ordinance 697 is repealed in its entirety.

Section 1 of Ordinance 653 shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Regular Meetings. Regular meetings of the Gearhart City Council shall be held on the first Wednesday of each month and shall convene at the hour of 6:00 p.m. on said day. If the first Wednesday of any month shall fall upon a legal holiday, the regular meeting of the Council shall be held on the next succeeding Wednesday.

Passed by the City Council of Gearhart t	his day of	, 2025.
Yeas:		
Nays:		
Absent:		
Abstain:		
Approved and signed by the Mayor of Gearl	art this day of	, 2025.
	Mayor Kerry Smith	