



CITY OF DEL MAR CITY COUNCIL POLICY BOOK

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POLICY:

1. The Council shall not reconsider a matter upon which the City Council has voted unless:
 - a. A Councilmember on the prevailing side of the prior vote, or a non-disqualified Councilmember who was absent from the vote, moves to reconsider the matter;
 - b. The motion is seconded; and
 - c. The motion to reconsider passes.
2. If the motion to reconsider passes, the matter can be placed on the next available agenda. Or, the motion to reconsider and the particular matter can be included in the same item on the agenda.
3. If the prior vote resulted in a two-to-two tie vote, any Councilmember may request that the item be placed on an agenda for further City Council consideration. Such a request is not a motion for "reconsideration" and is therefore not subject to #1, above.
4. Reconsideration of a "subsidiary" motion (e.g., a "substitute" motion or a motion to amend the main motion) may only be made while the main motion is pending.
5. Notwithstanding the requirement in #1, above, that a motion for reconsideration be made only by a Councilmember whose prior vote was on the prevailing side, any Councilmember who was not seated at the time of the prior vote on the matter may move to reconsider any matter upon which the City Council has voted, at any time. If the vote on reconsideration, made in accordance with this part (#5), should fail then, in that event, further reconsideration shall be in accordance with this policy.
6. Notwithstanding the right to reconsideration granted by this Policy, a motion to reconsider is not permitted under the following circumstances:
 - a. Where the provisions of the motion have been partially carried out;
 - b. Where the motion has caused something to be done that is impossible to undo;
 - c. To reconsider a previous vote of reconsideration; or



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- d. When practically the same result as desired may be obtained by some other motion of the City Council.

DISCUSSION:

This policy is designed to give finality to City Council actions which are determinative of a matter, while allowing reconsideration and further consideration when appropriate.