



Board Rules

February 11, 2026



Board Rules of Procedure are Policies and Principles on how the Board will govern itself

Based on Robert's Rules

Board Rules Override Robert's Rules

Where Board Rules are silent, Robert's Rules apply

Last changed in 2023 to allow for hybrid meeting participation

At a point where both Board Rules and Board/Director Linkages should be reviewed.

This is a longer process, but recently rules regarding quorums and voting was raised.

Robert's Rules says that a majority of a quorum carries the vote. So, if there are three Board Members present and two vote in favor, the item carries.

There are two Board Rules that diverge from Robert's Rules that may result in voting issues if there is a minimum quorum.

Board Rule 1 cites Section 4.18 of the City Charter:

The Board shall appoint, subject to the confirmation by the City Council, a Director of Utilities and shall review the Director's performance annually, and every two years shall, by an affirmative vote of at least three members of the Board in a public meeting, vote on whether to reconfirm the appointment, subject to reconfirmation by the City Council.

Board Rule 2

(Section 5) of the Board Rules says three members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. In the absence of a quorum, members present may adjourn the meeting to a later date.

(Section 6) An affirmative vote of not less than three members shall be necessary for the adoption of any main motion or resolution by the Board.

Two questions for the Board.

In case of potential quorum issues, would the Board like to discuss this further or have staff work to bring a resolution to the February 25 Board meeting?

Does the Board feel discussion on this could wait until the full review of the BLs and Board Rules?



Thank you

