

# NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

## FLOOR AMENDMENTS

**2.4.2. Floor Amendments.** Floor amendments (second and yay/nay or roll call vote required) to amend legislation may be brought before Council by any Member before final action is taken on the legislation, subject to Rule 2.4.2.1. [The moving Council member shall briefly summarize the floor amendment prior to vote.](#)

**2.4.2.1.** Proposed known floor amendments shall be submitted via electronic mail to the Clerk of Council consistent with all deadlines established elsewhere in Council Rules, Rule 2.4.2.3. Upon receipt of each proposed known floor amendment and as proof of submission, [the Clerk will contemporaneously assign a number to each proposed amendment in the order in which the Clerk received the floor amendment](#) (for ex., Floor Amendment No. 1 for the first received, Floor Amendment No. 2 for the second received, etc.), which shall thereafter reflect the amendment number.

[The proposed known floor amendments shall then be considered by Council in the numerical sequence assigned by the Clerk to the proposed floor amendments.](#) Unless a Council Member is amenable to cede their numerical 7 position or withdraw a proposed floor amendment, there shall be no deviation from the assigned order. Moreover, proposed amendments that were not previously known and are raised on the floor of Council during debate are to be recognized and to proceed in the order in which they were raised after Council has considered all previously submitted known floor amendments.

**2.4.2.2.** Unless withdrawn, [each proposed floor amendment shall be considered and voted upon before the vote on the underlying proposed ordinance. If a floor amendment is adopted, the sponsor of the original legislation shall either move to have the legislation, as amended, read by title only with amendment 1, 2 and/or 3, etc. and placed before Council for consideration](#) (second and yay/nay or roll call [vote required](#)), or withdraw the original legislation.

**2.4.2.3.** Substitutes or floor amendments that add a matter of substance that is not embraced in the title 9 shall be reintroduced.

**2.4.2.4.** Known floor amendments shall be submitted to the Clerk of Council electronically by 12 noon the day before the ordinance is to be considered by Council. The Clerk shall distribute the amendment to Council members, Counsel, the Policy Director and the Auditor as soon as possible. The date on the amendment is the date the amendment is intended to be offered for consideration, not the date of introduction of the original ordinance. Floor amendments that arise after such time, and are enacted, shall be incorporated into the passed legislation

**2.4.2.5.** If adopted, the heading shall be "Ordinance No. \_\_\_ as amended by Floor Amendment(s) No. \_\_\_".

**2.4.2.6.** Non-substantive typographical, grammatical, and formatting changes may be made prior to the recording of the legislation by the Clerk of Council.

## **FOLLOW ORDER BELOW FOR FLOOR AMENDMENT(S)**

1. The moving Councilmember shall briefly summarize the floor amendment prior to vote.
2. Each proposed floor amendment shall be considered and voted upon before the vote on the underlying proposed ordinance.
3. If a floor amendment(s) is adopted,
4. the sponsor of the original legislation shall either move to have the legislation, as amended, read by title only with amendment 1, 2 and/or 3, etc. and placed before Council for consideration, or withdraw the original legislation.
5. second and
6. yay/nay or roll call vote required
7. If adopted, the heading shall be "Ordinance No. \_\_\_ as amended by Floor Amendment(s) No. \_\_\_".