

# CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION



**MEETING DATE:** January 11, 2022

**ITEM NUMBER:** 9.H

**SECOND READING:**

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**TYPE OF ITEM:** Consent

**PRESENTED BY:**

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## **SUBJECT/AGENDA TITLE:**

Designate The City's Website As The Official Posting Location for City Council Meeting Notices for 2022 Meetings

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Council's Rule of Procedure 25 requires that Council designate the official posting location at its first regular meeting of each year. State law also provides for how a local body shall comply with Open Meetings Law as follows:

Colorado Revised Statute 24-6-402(2)(c)(III) provides: *"On and after July 1, 2019, a local public body shall be deemed to have given full and timely notice of a public meeting if the local public body posts the notice, with specific agenda information if available, no less than twenty-four hours prior to the holding of the meeting on a public website of the local public body."*

Historically, City Council has designated the official posting place to be the West entrance of the Civic Center but due to this change in State statutes, staff recommends Council designate the website as the official posting location. City Clerk staff will continue to post agendas on the bulletin boards at the West entrance of the Civic Center for informational purposes. It is important to note that most City advisory board agendas are also posted at the West Entrance of the Civic Center.

In addition, statute provides that *"A local public body that provides notice on a website pursuant to this subsection (2)(c)(III) shall provide the address of the website to the department of local affairs for inclusion in the inventory maintained pursuant to [section 24-32-116](#). A local public body that posts a notice of a public meeting on a public website pursuant to this subsection (2)(c)(III) may in its discretion also post a notice by any other means including in a designated public place pursuant to subsection (2)(c)(I) of this section; except that nothing in this section shall be construed to require such other posting. A local public body that posts notices of public meetings on a public website pursuant to this subsection (2)(c)(III) shall designate a public place within the boundaries of the local public body at which it may post a notice no less than twenty-four hours prior to a meeting if it is unable to post a notice online in exigent or emergency circumstances such as a power outage or an interruption in*

*internet service that prevents the public from accessing the notice online."*

Staff is requesting that Council approve the designation of the City's website – [www.longmontcolorado.gov](http://www.longmontcolorado.gov) - as the official location for posting City Council meeting notices in 2022 and the bulletin boards at the West Entrance of the Civic Center as the emergency posting location should we be unable to post notice online in exigent or emergency circumstances. City Clerk Quintana has provided the website information to the Department of Local Affairs pursuant to these requirements.

**COUNCIL OPTIONS:**

1. Approve official posting locations as presented.
2. Designate additional official posting locations.

**RECOMMENDED OPTIONS:**

1. Approve designation of the City's website – [www.longmontcolorado.gov](http://www.longmontcolorado.gov) - as the official location for posting City Council meeting notices and the bulletin boards at the West Entrance of the Civic Center as the emergency posting location should we be unable to post notice online in exigent or emergency circumstances for 2022.

**FISCAL IMPACT & FUND SOURCE FOR RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

N/A

**BACKGROUND AND ISSUE ANALYSIS:**

N/A

**ATTACHMENTS:**

None