ORDINANCE NO. 013-13

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PORT ORCHARD, WASHINGTON, AMENDING PORT ORCHARD MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 2.04.030 "SPECIAL MEETINGS" AND ADDING A NEW SECTION 2.04.015 "NOTIFICATIONS OF HEARINGS AND AGENDAS FOR COUNCIL MEETINGS" TO THE PORT ORCHARD MUNICIPAL CODE

WHEREAS, RCW 35.23.221 states every city shall establish a procedure for notifying the public of upcoming hearings and the preliminary agenda for the forthcoming council meeting; and

WHEREAS, the rules governing city council meetings are set forth in Chapter 2.04 of the Port Orchard Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City Council to formalize written procedures as to when the public shall be notified of public hearings and preliminary agenda for council meetings; now, therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORT ORCHARD, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Port Orchard Municipal Code section 2.04.015 is hereby added to read as follows:

2.04.015 Notifications of hearings and agendas for council meetings. 1) Notices of Public Hearings. Except where a specific method of giving notice of public hearings is otherwise provided by statute or ordinance, reasonable notice of upcoming public hearings to be conducted by the city council shall be given, by delivering to the city's official newspaper not less than 7 days before the date set for hearing, a notice setting forth the time, place, date and subject member of each such public hearing. In addition, a copy of said notice shall be posted on the bulletin board in the foyer of the City Hall of the city of Port Orchard, not less than 7 days before the date set for the hearing described therein.

(2) Preliminary Agenda of City Council Meeting. The public shall be notified of the preliminary agenda for all forthcoming city council meetings by posting a copy of each preliminary agenda on the bulletin board in the foyer of City Hall at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting. In addition, a copy of each preliminary agenda shall
be made available to the official newspaper and posted on the city’s website not less than 24 hours before the city council meeting.

(3) City Clerk to Provide Notice. The city clerk of the city of Port Orchard is hereby directed to post notices as required by this section.

SECTION 2. Port Orchard Municipal Code Section 2.04.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2.04.030 Special meetings.
Special meetings may be called by the mayor or by a majority of the council members by written notice as provided in RCW 42.30.080. No ordinances shall be passed or contract let or entered into, or bill for the payment of money allowed, at any special meeting. Public notice of such meeting shall be given in accordance with RCW 42.30.080 and to the official newspaper, posted on the city’s website, and posted on the bulletin board in the foyer of City Hall not less than 24 hours before the special meeting.

SECTION 3. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity of constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (5) days after posting and publication as required by law. A summary of this Ordinance may be published in lieu of the entire ordinance, as authorized by State Law.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Port Orchard, APPROVED by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk in authentication of such passage this 11th day of June 2013.

Timothy C. Matthes, Mayor

Brandy Rinearson, CMC, City Clerk

Gregory A. Jacoby, City Attorney

Sponsored by:

Carolyn Powers, Councilmember
NOTICE OF CITY OF PORT ORCHARD
ORDINANCE

The following is a summary of an Ordinance approved by the Port Orchard City Council at their regular Council meeting held June 11, 2013.

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Copies of Ordinance No. 013-13 are available for review at the office of the City Clerk of the City of Port Orchard. Upon written request a statement of the full text of the Ordinance will be mailed to any interested person without charge. Thirty days after publication, copies of Ordinance No. 013-13 will be provided at a nominal charge.

City of Port Orchard

Brandy Rinearson
City Clerk

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