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AGENDA ITEM STAFF ANALYSIS

Project/Issue Name: Bill #07-68 an Ordinance Adding: Chapter 115, Republic City Code, Mayor and City Council, Article I, Mayor and City Council Generally, Section 115.175, Introduction and Adoption Procedures for Ordinances.

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Issue Statement

Should Council adopt a written procedure consistent with the Charter and state law as to the procedure to be followed in adopting ordinances?

Discussion and/or Analysis

In talking to Richard Sheets with MML, he indicated cities have a variety of procedures for adopting ordinances. He agreed that the crucial vote and the one that requires a majority of the entire council is the vote after the second reading of an ordinance. We discussed the confusion that could occur if there was a practice of approving the first reading when such approval is not required by the Charter or state law.

In order to provide clear direction for the ordinance adoption process, a proposed procedure is set forth in ordinance form for discussion and/or approval of Council. This proposal eliminates the approval of the first reading which is a step that is not required by the Charter.

Recommended Action

It is recommended that Council, after discussion and consideration, determine a process that best serves Council in adopting ordinances. That process is to be adopted in ordinance form.