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2 **BY AUTHORITY**

3 ORDINANCE NO.

COUNCIL BILL NO. _____

4 SERIES OF 2020

COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE:

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6 **A BILL**

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8 For an ordinance submitting to a vote of the registered electors of the City and County of
9 Denver at a special municipal election to be held in conjunction with the coordinated
10 election on November 3, 2020, a proposed amendment to the Charter of the City and
11 County of Denver removing outdated language to modernize the conduct of public
12 business.

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14 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER:**

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16 **Section 1.** There is hereby submitted to the properly qualified and registered electors of the
17 City and County of Denver for their approval or rejection at a special municipal election to be
18 conducted at the same time and in conjunction with the coordinated election to be held in the City
19 and County of Denver on November 3, 2020, a proposed amendment to the Charter of the City and
20 County of Denver, as follows:

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22 **Effective upon certification to and publication by the designated election official, the**
23 **2002 Charter of the City and County of Denver is amended by deleting the language as**
24 **follows:**

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26 **§ 3.3.2 – Council meetings.**

27 All Council meetings to conduct public business shall be held at a regularly scheduled time,
28 shall be open to the public, except that council may recess for executive sessions, and shall be
29 held in the manner prescribed by city laws. Special meetings ~~The Council shall meet in the~~
30 ~~Council chambers each Monday in regular session except as otherwise may be provided by~~
31 ~~ordinance, and at such other times as it may be called together by the Mayor or any three~~
32 ~~members upon twenty-four hours written notice; shall sit with open doors; make rules governing its~~
33 ~~procedure; keep a public record of all its proceedings, in which every vote shall be entered by roll~~
34 ~~call.~~

35 **Section 2.** The voting machines and paper ballot for said election shall carry the following
36 designation, which shall be the title and submission clause:

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2 **REFERRED QUESTION _____**
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4 Shall Article III, Part 3, of the Charter of the City and County of Denver to remove
5 outdated language and allow for modernization of the conduct of city business?
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8 **Section 3.** The officials of the City and County of Denver charged with duties relating to the
9 election must, before the election, issue such calls, make such certifications and publications, give
10 such notices, make such appointments, and do all such other acts and things in connection with the
11 submission of this charter amendment to the registered electors of the City and County of Denver at
12 the election required by the Charter and ordinances of the City and County of Denver.

13 **Section 4.** The ballots cast at such election shall be canvassed and the results ascertained,
14 determined, and certified in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution and laws of the
15 State of Colorado and the Charter and ordinances of the City and County of Denver.

16 **Section 5.** If any section, paragraph, clause, or other portion of this ordinance is held to be
17 invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance shall
18 not be affected.
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20 COMMITTEE APPROVAL DATE: _____, 2020.

21 MAYOR-COUNCIL DATE: _____, 2020.

22 PASSED BY THE COUNCIL _____ 2020

23 _____ - PRESIDENT

24 APPROVED: _____ - MAYOR _____ 2020

25 ATTEST: _____ - CLERK AND RECORDER,
26 EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE
27 CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER
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29 NOTICE PUBLISHED IN THE DAILY JOURNAL _____ 2020; _____ 2020
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31 PREPARED BY: _____; DATE: _____
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33 Pursuant to section 13-12, D.R.M.C., this proposed ordinance has been reviewed by the office of the
34 City Attorney. We find no irregularity as to form, and have no legal objection to the proposed
35 ordinance. The proposed ordinance **is not** submitted to the City Council for approval pursuant to §
36 3.2.6 of the Charter.
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1 Kristin Bronson, City Attorney

2 BY: _____, _____ City Attorney

3 DATE: _____

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