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5 CITY OF CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO

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7 ORDINANCE NO. 32 - 2016

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9 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 111.01 OF THE  
10 CODIFIED ORDINANCES, RELATING TO THE RULES OF  
11 CITY COUNCIL, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.  
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14 BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cuyahoga Falls, County of Summit,  
15 and State of Ohio, that:

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17 Section 1. Section 111.01 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Cuyahoga Falls  
18 is hereby amended to read in full as follows (new text underlined; deleted text in  
19 ~~strikethrough~~):  
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21 (a) Scheduling

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23 Within ten (10) days from the commencement of their term, Council shall hold an  
24 organizational meeting which shall be the first regularly scheduled meeting of the term  
25 or a special meeting called for organizational purposes. Said meeting shall be conducted  
26 in the manner, form and order as follows:  
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28 (b) Seating

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30 Prior to calling the meeting to order, seating should be designated by name placard  
31 placement.  
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33 (c) Call to Order

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35 The senior member of council shall call Council to order, and ensure the presence  
36 of a quorum.  
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38 (d) Election of Temporary Chair

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40 The senior member of council will then open the floor for nominations for  
41 Temporary Chair. Nominations do not need a second. After each nomination, the senior  
42 member will ask, "Are there any more nominations?" After a sufficient pause of silence,  
43 the senior member will declare nominations closed. If only one nomination has been  
44 received, it can be confirmed by a voice vote. If more than one nomination is received,  
45 then the senior member will appoint two tellers and a ballot will be taken.  
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47 (e) Meeting Formalities

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49 Once elected, the Temporary Chair will take over the meeting and perform the  
50 following:  
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52 (1) Roll call of new council

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54 (2) Invocation  
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56 (3) Pledge of Allegiance

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58 (f) Election of President

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60 The Temporary Chair will preside over the election of President. The Temporary  
61 Chair will call for nominations, which need not be seconded. After each nomination, the  
62 Chair will ask, "Are there any more nominations?" After a sufficient pause of silence,  
63 the Chair will declare nominations closed and a vote shall be taken by written ballot,  
64 the Chair appointing two tellers. Voting shall be by separate written ballot for each  
65 office; and a majority of all members of Council shall be required for an election. In case  
66 no election results from the first two ballots, the candidate receiving the fewest number  
67 of votes on the second ballot shall be dropped from the list of nominees; and similar  
68 procedure shall be followed with each subsequent ballot until an election results. If the  
69 foregoing proceedings have resolved down to two candidates and five ballots have been  
70 taken without an election resulting, then the Temporary Chair or President, where  
71 applicable, shall by a single flip of a coin being called by one of the two candidates  
72 determine the winner. All elections by the Council shall be conducted in the same  
73 manner. Once elected, the President shall be sworn in.

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75 (g) Election of Clerk

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77 The President shall preside over the election of the Clerk. Once elected, the Clerk  
78 shall be sworn in and immediately begin recording the proceedings.

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80 (h) Election of President Pro Tem

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82 The President shall preside over the election of President Pro Tem

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84 (i) Procedure for Elections

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86 A secret ballot shall not be used in any election. Each member of Council shall  
87 write one (1) nominee's name on a ballot and sign his or her name to the ballot.

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89 (j)(j) Committee Membership

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91 The President shall next appoint a Committee of four (4) members of council at  
92 least one of whom must not be of the majority party, who, together with the President,  
93 shall constitute a Committee on Committees and Seating, on which Committee the  
94 President shall have power to vote.

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96 (j)(k) Committee Meeting

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98 Immediately after the appointment of the four (4) members of the Committee on  
99 Committees and Seating, they shall convene and conduct a Committee meeting where  
100 they shall recommend Chair and Vice-Chair of the Standing Committees for the elective  
101 term and designated seats for Council.

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103 (k)(l) Committee Report and Council Approval

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105 The Committee will report their selections, which shall, before going into effect, be  
106 approved by a majority of all members of Council.

107 (H)(m) Other Appointments

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109 The President may designate Council Representatives for Boards and Commissions  
110 as well as Sergeant at Arms and Chaplain. See Appendix A for Council's representation  
111 on Boards and Commissions.

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113 (m)(n) Other Business

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115 If the organizational meeting is held during the first regularly scheduled council  
116 meeting, once council has organized pursuant to these rules it shall proceed with the  
117 normal order of business.

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119 Section 2. Any ordinances or resolutions or portions of ordinances and resolutions  
120 inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, but any ordinances and resolutions not  
121 inconsistent herewith and which have not previously been repealed are hereby ratified  
122 and confirmed.

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124 Section 3. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council  
125 concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were taken in an open meeting  
126 of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any committees that  
127 resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with  
128 all requirements including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances.

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130 Section 4. This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure  
131 necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, convenience and  
132 welfare of the City of Cuyahoga Falls and the inhabitants thereof, and provided it  
133 receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members elected or appointed to  
134 Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval  
135 by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed  
136 by law.

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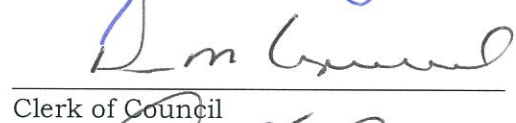
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President of Council

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Clerk of Council


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145 Approved: 4-26-2016

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Mayor

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