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Requested by: Chairman Beathard

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JEFF WHIDBY, COUNTY CLERK J W

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JEFF WHIDBY, COUNTY CLERK J W

**RESOLUTION AMENDING THE RULES, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES OF
THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONCERNING
CENSURE OF COMMISSIONERS**

- WHEREAS,** pursuant to the Rules, Regulations and Procedures ("Rules") for the Williamson County Board of Commissioners, a rule shall remain in effect until such time as it is appealed or amended; and
- WHEREAS,** Rule 11 provides that any amendment to the Rules requires only a majority vote if the proposed amendment is introduced to the Board of Commissioners at the October or November meeting;
- WHEREAS,** currently, Rule 4.1.g provides that each Commissioner, while speaking, shall confine himself to the question under debate and avoid all personal, indecorous or sarcastic language, and shall address all of his remarks to the Chairperson; and
- WHEREAS,** the Board of Commissioners have determined that the Chairperson or a majority of the Board of Commissioners shall be permitted to censure members who, continuously act in violation of the Rules including but not limited to Rule 4.1.g:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Williamson County Board of Commissioners, meeting in regular session this the 12th day of November 2024, by a majority vote and upon recommendation of the Rules Committee, make the following revisions to the Rules, Regulations and Procedures for the Williamson County Board of Commissioners:

Amend Rule 4 by adding the following new subsection:

4.8. CENSURE AND CENSOR

- a. Censure of a Commissioner may be made by the Chairperson of the Board, in the Chairperson's discretion, or by a majority vote of the Board of Commissioners, when a Commissioner is continuously acting in violation of the Board of Commissioner's Rules and Regulations. Censure by the Chairperson is subject to overruling by a majority of the Board of Commissioners.
- b. A Commissioner may be censored as part of the censure by the Chairperson of the Board, subject to overruling by a majority of the Board of Commissioners. If the Commissioner's violations are limited to one item on the agenda, the Chairperson may choose to censor the Commissioner for only that agenda item, however, continued violations may result in a broader censor. A censored Commissioner can still vote but cannot gain the floor for the purpose of speaking.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon approval of this resolution and its signing, the Board of Commissioners directs the County Clerk's Office to make the revisions to the Rules, Regulations and Procedures of the Board of County Commissioners.



County Commissioner

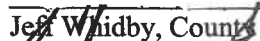
COMMITTEES REFERRED TO & ACTION TAKEN:

Rules Committee:

For 4 Against 2

Commission Action Taken

For 15* Against 9 Pass ____ Out ____ *Defer until
February 10, 2025
meeting



Jeff Whidby, County Clerk



Brian Beathard, Commission Chairman



Rogers Anderson, Williamson County Mayor

Date

Resolution No. _____
Requested by: Commissioner Torres

**RESOLUTION AMENDING THE RULES, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES OF
THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONCERNING
VOTING ON RESOLUTIONS AMENDING THE RULES**

- WHEREAS,** pursuant to the Rules, Regulations and Procedures (“Rules”) for the Williamson County Board of Commissioners, a rule shall remain in effect until such time as it is appealed or amended; and
- WHEREAS,** Rule 11 provides that any amendment to the Rules requires a two-thirds majority vote unless the proposed amendment is introduced at the regularly scheduled October or November meetings at which times only a majority vote is required; and
- WHEREAS,** the Board of Commissioners have determined that the Rules should be amended to require a two-thirds majority vote for all amendments to the Rules:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Williamson County Board of Commissioners, meeting in regular session this the 13th day of January 2025, by a two-thirds majority vote make the following revisions to the Rules, Regulations and Procedures for the Williamson County Board of Commissioners:

Amend Rule 11 by deleting the following sentence:

“Such changes as are recommended by the Rules Committee at the regularly scheduled October or November meeting shall require only a Majority Vote of the Board of Commissioners to be adopted at that meeting.”

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon approval of this resolution and its signing, the Board of Commissioners directs the County Clerk’s Office to make the revisions to the Rules, Regulations and Procedures of the Board of County Commissioners.


County Commissioner - Drew Torres

COMMITTEES REFERRED TO & ACTION TAKEN:

Rules Committee: For ____ Against ____
Commission Action Taken: For ____ Against ____ Pass ____ Out ____

Jeff Whidby, County Clerk

Brian Beathard, Commission Chairman

Rogers Anderson, Williamson County Mayor

Date

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND RULE 8 OF THE RULES, REGULATIONS, & PROCEDURES
OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMITTEE
APPOINTMENTS AND LEADERSHIP SELECTION**

WHEREAS, the Williamson County Board of Commissioners seeks to establish a clear and organized process for committee appointments and leadership selection; and

WHEREAS, maintaining specific appointment schedules for different committees while consolidating leadership selection will ensure efficient governance and clear organizational structure:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Williamson County Board of Commissioners meeting in regular session this 10th day of February 2025, by a two-thirds majority vote and upon recommendation of the Rules Committee, makes the following revisions to Rule 8.1 of the Rules, Regulations, & Procedures of the Board of County Commissioners:

Amend Rule 8.1.(a) by deleting the current language and replacing it with the following:

The Rules Committee, Steering Committee, Human Resources Committee, and Parks & Recreation Committee shall be appointed annually during the September County Commission meeting, including during election years. All other standing committees of the Board of Commissioners shall be appointed during the October County Commission meeting.

Amend Rule 8.1.(b) by deleting the current language and replacing it with the following:

All standing committees shall meet and elect from its membership a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson at its first called meeting. An elected Vice-Chairperson of a standing committee shall be eligible to serve as Chairperson of that same Standing Committee the following year, including election years, with the Steering Committee retaining authority to appoint other Commissioners to any of the other Standing Committees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon approval of this resolution and its signing, the Board of Commissioners directs the County Clerk’s Office to make the revisions to the Rules, Regulations and Procedures of the Board of Commissioners.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

County Commissioner Mary Smith

COMMITTEES REFERRED TO & ACTION TAKEN:

Rules Committee:	For _____	Against _____		
Commission Action Taken:	For _____	Against _____	Pass _____	Out _____

Jeff Whidby, County Clerk

Brian Bethard, Commission Chairman

Rogers Anderson, Williamson County Mayor

Date