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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
6 following:

7 **"Sec. 1.** RCW 35.24.180 and 1965 c 7 s 35.24.180 are each amended
8 to read as follows:

9 The city council and mayor shall meet (~~((on the first Tuesday))~~) in
10 January next succeeding the date of each general municipal election,
11 and shall take the oath of office, and shall hold regular meetings at
12 least once during each month but not to exceed one regular meeting in
13 each week, at such times as may be fixed by ordinance.

14 Special meetings may be called by the mayor by written notice
15 (~~((delivered to each member of the council at least three hours before
16 the time specified for the proposed meeting))~~) as provided in RCW
17 42.30.080. No ordinances shall be passed or contract let or entered
18 into, or bill for the payment of money allowed at any special meeting.

19 All meetings of the city council shall be held (~~((within the
20 corporate limits of the city))~~) at such place as may be designated by
21 (~~((ordinance))~~) the city council. All final actions on resolutions and
22 ordinances must take place within the corporate limits of the city.
23 All meetings of the city council must be public.

24 **Sec. 2.** RCW 35.24.190 and 1969 c 101 s 3 are each amended to read
25 as follows:

26 The members of the city council at their first meeting after each
27 general municipal election and thereafter whenever a vacancy occurs,
28 shall elect from among their number a mayor pro tempore, who shall hold
29 office at the pleasure of the council and in case of the absence of the
30 mayor, perform the duties of mayor except that he or she shall not have
31 the power to appoint or remove any officer or to veto any ordinance.
32 If a vacancy occurs in the office of mayor, the city council at their
33 next regular meeting shall elect from among their number a mayor, who
34 shall serve until a mayor is elected and certified at the next
35 municipal election.

1 In the event of the extended excused absence or disability of a
2 councilmember, the remaining members by majority vote may appoint a
3 councilmember pro tempore to serve during the absence or disability.

4 The mayor and the mayor pro tempore shall have power to administer
5 oaths and affirmations, take affidavits and certify them. The mayor or
6 the mayor pro tempore when acting as mayor, shall sign all conveyances
7 made by the city and all instruments which require the seal of the
8 city.

9 **Sec. 3.** RCW 35.27.270 and 1965 c 7 s 35.27.270 are each amended to
10 read as follows:

11 The town council shall meet (~~((on the second Tuesday))~~) in January
12 succeeding the date of the general municipal election, shall take the
13 oath of office, and shall hold regular meetings at least once each
14 month at such times as may be fixed by ordinance. Special meetings may
15 be called at any time by the mayor or by three (~~((councilmen))~~)
16 councilmembers, by written notice (~~((delivered to each member at least~~
17 ~~three hours before the time specified for the proposed meeting))~~) as
18 provided in RCW 42.30.080. No resolution or order for the payment of
19 money shall be passed at any other than a regular meeting. No such
20 resolution or order shall be valid unless passed by the votes of at
21 least three (~~((councilmen))~~) councilmembers.

22 All meetings of the council shall be held (~~((within the corporate~~
23 ~~limits of the town,))~~) at such places as may be designated by
24 (~~((ordinance and shall))~~) the town council. All final actions on
25 resolutions and ordinances must take place within the corporate limits
26 of the town. All meetings of the town council must be public.

27 **Sec. 4.** RCW 35.27.280 and 1965 c 107 s 2 are each amended to read
28 as follows:

29 A majority of the (~~((councilmen))~~) councilmembers shall constitute a
30 quorum for the transaction of business, but a lesser number may adjourn
31 from time to time and may compel the attendance of absent members in
32 such manner and under such penalties as may be prescribed by ordinance.

33 In the event of the extended excused absence or disability of a
34 councilmember, the remaining members by majority vote may appoint a
35 councilmember pro tempore to serve during the absence or disability.

36 The mayor shall preside at all meetings of the council. The mayor
37 shall have a vote only in case of a tie in the votes of the

1 ((~~councilmen~~)) councilmembers. In the absence of the mayor the council
2 may appoint a president pro tempore; in the absence of the clerk, the
3 mayor, or president pro tempore, shall appoint one of the
4 councilmembers as clerk pro tempore. The council may establish rules
5 for the conduct of its proceedings and punish any members or other
6 person for disorderly behavior at any meeting. At the desire of any
7 member, the ayes and noes shall be taken on any question and entered in
8 the journal.

9 **Sec. 5.** RCW 35A.12.110 and 1979 ex.s. c 18 s 23 are each amended
10 to read as follows:

11 The city council and mayor shall meet regularly, at least once a
12 month, at a place (~~within the corporate limits of the city~~) and at
13 such times as may be (~~fixed by ordinance or resolution~~) designated by
14 the city council. All final actions on resolutions and ordinances must
15 take place within the corporate limits of the city. Special meetings
16 may be called by the mayor or any three members of the council by
17 written notice delivered to each member of the council at least twenty-
18 four hours before the time specified for the proposed meeting. All
19 actions that have heretofore been taken at special council meetings
20 held pursuant to this section, but for which the number of hours of
21 notice given has been at variance with requirements of RCW 42.30.080,
22 are hereby validated. All council meetings shall be open to the public
23 except as permitted by chapter 42.30 RCW. No ordinance or resolution
24 shall be passed, or contract let or entered into, or bill for the
25 payment of money allowed at any meeting not open to the public, nor at
26 any public meeting the date of which is not fixed by ordinance,
27 resolution, or rule, unless public notice of such meeting has been
28 given by such notice to each local newspaper of general circulation and
29 to each local radio or television station, as provided in RCW 42.30.080
30 as now or hereafter amended. Meetings of the council shall be presided
31 over by the mayor, if present, or otherwise by the mayor pro tempore,
32 or deputy mayor if one has been appointed, or by a member of the
33 council selected by a majority of the council members at such meeting.
34 Appointment of a council member to preside over the meeting shall not
35 in any way abridge his right to vote on matters coming before the
36 council at such meeting. In the absence of the clerk, a deputy clerk
37 or other qualified person appointed by the clerk, the mayor, or the

1 council, may perform the duties of clerk at such meeting. A journal of
2 all proceedings shall be kept, which shall be a public record.

3 **Sec. 6.** RCW 35A.39.010 and 1967 ex.s. c 119 s 35A.39.010 are each
4 amended to read as follows:

5 Every code city shall keep a journal of minutes of its legislative
6 meetings with orders, resolutions and ordinances passed, and records of
7 the proceedings of any city department, division or commission
8 performing quasi judicial functions as required by ordinances of the
9 city and general laws of the state and shall keep such records open to
10 the public as required by RCW 42.32.030 and shall keep and preserve all
11 public records and publications or reproduce and destroy the same as
12 provided by Title 40 RCW. Each code city (~~shall provide three copies~~
13 ~~of each of its ordinances of general application to the association of~~
14 ~~Washington cities without charge and~~) may duplicate and sell copies of
15 its ordinances at fees reasonably calculated to defray the cost of such
16 duplication and handling."

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20 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "towns;" strike the remainder
21 of the title and insert "and amending RCW 35.24.180, 35.24.190,
22 35.27.270, 35.27.280, 35A.12.110, and 35A.39.010."

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