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Good Morning Mayor and Council,

There are 17 items scheduled for Public Hearings by the end of September. On July 24, Council approved adding September 14 and 17 as Public Hearing meeting dates to accommodate the volume of Public Hearing items, however, an insufficient number of Council members are available to attend on these dates. As you know, we have added a Public Hearing on October 31st. It's critical that Councillors be there if they have indicated to clerks that they will be attending.

In an effort to avoid late September Public Hearings, which would occur during the campaign period leading up to the municipal election, it is recommended that Council start the Public Hearing on September 18 at 3 pm. This meeting is currently scheduled to start at 6 pm. An earlier start time would require approval of a majority of Council members, which would take place at a Special Council meeting on July 31, called by the Mayor, immediately before the scheduled Public Hearing. Notice regarding the Special Council meeting, being held for the purpose of changing the start time of the September 18 Public Hearing from 6 pm to 3pm, will be distributed as soon as available. We will attempt to have a light Council meeting on the 18th to accommodate starting the public hearing early.

Please let me and Katrina know if your plans have changed and can now attend either the September 14<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup> dates.

Thanks for your assistance in completing the business of Council by mid-September so Councillors can focus on their other priorities.

Best

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