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SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 7, 2016

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TERRE HAUTE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section VII of the Common Council of the City of Terre Haute Rules and Regulations, the Council may amend its Rules and Regulations from time to time with a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all members of the Council; and
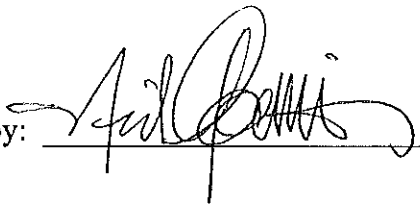
WHEREAS, the Common Council wishes to amend its Rules and Regulations;

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of Terre Haute that the Rules and Regulations of the Terre Haute Common Council adopted in 1990, as most recently revised in 2006, 2010, and 2012 be amended by inserting the underlined text as follows:

SECTION VI. Decorum and Debate.

I.   Unless excused in advance by the Council President, persons shall turn their cell phones, and any other electronic devices to their silent mode when the Common Council is in session and when any Standing Committee meeting is in progress. Council Members may not send, view or listen to any electronic message communications while he/she is part of the quorum for such meeting, while such meeting is in progress unless said communications are for emergency purposes. Any electronic device which is used through City-controlled access and which is needed during the Common Council or any Standing Committee is permitted for the purpose of accessing City information, City presentations, and to record minutes and notes.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this amendment shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Common Council of Terre Haute, Indiana and its approval by the Mayor and publication if required by law.

Introduced by: _____ Neil Garrison, Councilman

Passed in open Council this _____ day of _____, 2016.

_____ Todd Nation, President

ATTEST: _____ Charles P. Hanley, City Clerk

Presented by me to the Mayor this _____ day of _____, 2016.

_____ Charles P. Hanley, City Clerk

Approved by me, the Mayor, this _____ day of _____, 2016.

_____ Duke A. Bennett, Mayor

ATTEST: _____ Charles P. Hanley, City Clerk