

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF HORRY)
TOWN OF ATLANTIC BEACH)

*AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 9-2017 RELATING TO THE
RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS IN THE TOWN
OF ATLANTIC BEACH*

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 9-2017 established Rules of Procedure for Town Council meetings in the Town of Atlantic Beach, including the order of business for such meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council desires to revise the agenda structure to allow members of the public to speak earlier during regular meetings, thereby enhancing transparency and accessibility; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds it in the best interest of the public and good governance to move the public comment period to follow directly after ceremonial matters on the regular meeting agenda;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ATLANTIC BEACH, SOUTH CAROLINA:

Section 1. Amendment to Rule 8 (Order of Business).

The portion of Rule 8 of Ordinance No. 9-2017 addressing the order of business at regular Town Council meetings is hereby amended to revise the sequence of agenda items. Specifically, the Public Comment portion shall be moved from its current position immediately before adjournment and placed immediately following Ceremonial Matters.

The revised order of business for regular meetings shall be:

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Adoption of Agenda
5. Ceremonial Matters
6. Public Comment
7. Approval of Minutes
8. Reports from Committees and Staff

Ordinance No: 6-2025
First Reading: 4/7/2025
Second Reading: 5/20/2025

- 9. Old Business
- 10. New Business
- 11. Executive Session (if applicable)
- 12. Adjournment

Section 2. Severability.

If any part of this ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions.

Section 3. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall become effective upon second reading and adoption by Town Council.

DONE, RATIFIED, AND ADOPTED this 20th day of May, 2025.

Atlantic Beach Town Council

Jake Evans, Mayor

John David, Jr., Mayor Protem

Jacqueline Gore, Councilmember

Edward Campbell, Councilmember

Carla Y. Taylor, Councilmember

Attest:

Cheryl Pereira
Town Clerk

Paul Heath
Town Manager