

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. The Rules of Order and Procedure of the City Council, City of Chicago, for the 2023 – 2027 term are hereby amended by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)

Sergeant-At-Arms Sergeant-at-Arms.

RULE 49. There shall be elected by the members of the Council a Sergeant-at-Arms of this Council and such assistants as the Council may direct who shall preserve order, obey the directions of the Council and of the Presiding Officer or the Committee Chair, and perform all duties usually appertaining to the office of Sergeant-at-Arms of deliberative assemblies; provided that such Sergeant-at-Arms and assistants shall be removable at the will of the Council by resolution duly adopted. The Sergeant-at-Arms and/or their designee, shall have the authority to terminate the broadcast of the proceedings of the City Council, and any of its committees, in the event of: (i) an emergency; (ii) an act of God; and/or (iii) any other extraordinary event which, in the judgment of the Sergeant-at-Arms or their designee, would not reflect the City Council proceedings or otherwise not be appropriate for public broadcast. The Sergeant-at-Arms, and/or their designee, shall restore the broadcast of the proceedings, after the cessation of such event, in an expeditious manner. In the event of disruptive or violent activity by a member of the public attending any meeting of the City Council or its committees, the Presiding Officer or the Committee Chair, as applicable, shall have the power to direct the Sergeant-at-Arms or their designee, to remove any person persisting in such disruptive or violent activity from the chamber or the meeting room, or may require the chamber or the meeting room to be cleared, as necessary. The Sergeant-at-Arms is authorized to issue and publish protocols to maintain order and safety, or to otherwise address a recurring disruptive or violent activity at meetings of the City Council and its committees.

(Omitted text is unaffected by this resolution)

SECTION 2. This Resolution takes effect upon its passage.