DATE: January 4, 2022

TO: Council President and Rules Committee Chairperson Elo-Rivera

FROM: Councilmember Joe LaCava

SUBJECT: 2022 Rules Committee Priorities

Thank you, Council President and Rules Committee Chairperson Elo-Rivera, for your request to share my priorities for the 2022 work plan. I am honored to serve on this committee and work with my colleagues on critical City issues including the City Charter, permanent rules of council, ballot measures, boards and commissions, and customer service. Per your request, detailed below are my priorities for the committee’s work plan.

**Permanent Rules of Council**
Consider that no items will be heard on consent at a Standing Committee. Items brought before Council deserve full consideration, public input, and deliberation; if statutes call for Council oversight, we should assert that oversight.

**Open Government**
Review and determine how public participants calling into full City Council and Council Committee meetings may cede time and display information.

Review and determine how to provide the public “hybrid” participation methods to include in-person, call-in, and Zoom (or other relevant technology) to continue to uplift the voices of those who cannot travel to City Hall.

Consider a hybrid timer where staff responses do not subtract from Councilmember time on the dais when reviewing an item.
Elections and Ballot Measures
Consider a 2022 ballot measure to reform the People’s Ordinance so that it exemplifies good governance by amending the language to eliminate “double payment” for trash collection, removes barriers to Zero Waste goals, and increases fiscal responsibility in the provision of required and desired public services.

Support the full council’s consideration and approval of a Proposed Ballot Measure regarding the San Diego Municipal Code Article 2 Division 44 to Amend the City’s Contracting Policies (Safeguard San Diego), per Council Policy 000-21 for the November 2022 Ballot.

Boards and Commissions
Provide monthly reports on the prompt and fair seating of volunteer members of City boards and commissions, and consideration of whether some boards should be placed on hiatus or consolidated.

Communications
Receive a translation services update from the City Clerk Office.

Customer Service and Public Outreach
Create a system for contracting community outreach with Community Based Organizations (CBOs) that may include workshops and assistance for CBOs to complete any forms, registrations, and/or requirements to be placed on the City of San Diego’s eligible vendor lists.