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**Title:** Consider approving an amendment to Council Policy 1-6 Council Rules of Procedure, updating the meeting time, requiring those who wish to speak during audience participation to be residents of the City of Lawton and requiring submission of a request to speak form, establishing limits during audience participation for those who have been removed, clarifies audience members may be called upon during a public hearing, and provides updated formatting of the Policy.

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**ITEM TITLE:**

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**INITIATOR:** City Council and Mayor

**STAFF INFORMATION SOURCE:** City Manager John Ratliff

**BACKGROUND:** This update reflects the start time of 6:00 pm to being in August. It adds language requiring those requesting to speak during audience participation to be City of Lawton residents. It gives Council the ability to deny a request to speak if the individual did not submit a request to speak form. Additionally, it clarifies the presiding officer may call upon a member of the audience to participate during a public hearing. Lastly, the updates put into place the forfeiture of speaking during audience participation for not less than six months if an individual has been removed due to disruptive or abusive behavior.

**EXHIBIT:** Council Policy 1-6 Clean Copy  
Council Policy 1-6 Track Changes

**KEY ISSUES:** N/A

**FUNDING SOURCE:** N/A

**STAFF RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION:** Approve the amendment to Council Policy 1-6, Council Rules of Procedure.