



Office of the Mayor

Tom Bates  
Mayor

Summary of Public Comment Rules and Procedures Proposals  
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	BATES	WORTHINGTON	SPRING
<b>Yielding of Time</b>	Speakers can yield their time with no one speaker having more than 4 minutes.		
<b>Consent Items</b>	When a Council Member pulls an item off the Consent Calendar it will be moved to the end of the Action Calendar and public comment for that item will follow the Action Calendar. For the Consent Calendar comment period, there will be 6 speakers (3 pro/3 against) for a total of 12 minutes. If more than 3 people are opposed, the item will be moved to the end of the Action Calendar.	1-5 speakers 2 min. ea. (10 min total); 6-9 speakers 1.5 min (13.5 min total); 10 or more/ 1 minutes (10 minutes or more)	Not to exceed 12 minutes; 6 speakers 2 min/each; if more than 6 speakers use lottery.
<b>Action Items</b>	9 speakers 2 min/each (18 min total) All subsequent speakers have 1 min ea.	1-5 speakers 2 min ea. (10 min total); 6-9 speakers 1.5 min (13.5 min total); 10 or more/ 1 minutes (10 minutes or more)	Not to exceed 12 minutes; 6 speakers 2 min/each; if more than 6 speakers use lottery.
<b>Non-Agenda Items</b>	At the end of the meeting: 2 minutes per speaker/ can be reduced to 1 minute at end of meeting.	Following Council vote on Consent Calendar: 1-5 speakers 2 min ea. (10 min total); 6-9 speakers 1.5 min (13.5 min total); 10 or more/ 1 minutes (10 minutes or more)	
<b>Public Hearing for Lane Use and Zoning Matters</b>	Appellant and Applicant- 5 minutes each at beginning and 3 minutes each at end; Public Comment- 9 speakers for total 18 minutes; All subsequent speakers have 1 min ea.		
<b>Boards, Commissions, Committees and Task Forces</b>	Mayor Bates' recommendations apply to Council rules. Boards, Commissions, Committees and Task Forces should be addressed at a later date.	Appears to have cut and pasted Council rules, including the Mayor as Presiding Officer, into resolution addressing Boards, Commissions and Committees	