

## **Public Comment Rules of Order**

The Board of Commissioners greatly appreciates your interest in the Housing Authority of the City of Asheville (HACA) and we welcome your comments. The Board of Commissioners permits public comment on issues relevant to and within HACA's jurisdiction.

Public comment allows you to provide the Board of Commissioners with your thoughts and/or relevant information concerning the Housing Authority of the City of Asheville. Therefore, Commissioners will **not** normally respond to individuals who address them except to request clarification.

## Please be mindful of the following guidelines:

- Personnel and individual resident matters are confidential and are therefore **not** appropriate for public comment. If you have a concern about an employee or an individual resident issue, please contact or see the CEO or Chairperson after the meeting.
- Unless otherwise approved by the Board of Commissioners, the total time for public comment shall not exceed thirty (**30**) minutes.
- Members of the public may speak for three (3) minutes.
- Multiple speakers from a group who are presenting on the same topic may choose to elect one speaker for the group. If a single speaker is used by any group, they shall be allocated five (5) minutes instead of three (3) to address the Board of Commissioners. If your group chooses this option, please identify everyone in the group when you sign up to speak.
- If an unusually large number of people wish to speak, the Board of Commissioners may decide to (a) reduce the time allotted to each speaker; and/or (b) require the designation of a group spokesperson.
- Substitute speakers will **not** be permitted, and speakers may not donate any portion of their time to another speaker.
- **Please be respectful.** A disruption by any person or persons of a public meeting will not be tolerated and can result in removal from the meeting.
- Incorrect or misleading information presented by a speaker may be responded to at the direction of the Chairperson.
- To make a public comment, individuals must sign up on the form provided and be present to make their comments in person.

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Tilman Jackson Board Chair, Housing Authority of the City of Asheville