

Policy 4.36

Public Input

It shall be the City Council's policy to provide full and ample opportunities to receive public input at all Council meetings, Committee meetings, and workshops of the City Council. This policy shall also apply to all **City** boards whose membership is composed in whole or in part by appointment by the Pensacola City Council. In all such meetings of Council and its appointed boards, the public shall be allowed a reasonable opportunity to provide input on any agenda item or any action item not previously placed on an agenda, before the Council, committee or board votes to take action on the item. In addition, in all such meetings of Council, its committees and appointed boards, there shall be an Open Forum opportunity for members of the public to provide input in a reasonable and orderly manner. This Public Input Policy shall be applied by all individuals chairing such meetings, while preserving for the chair the responsibility and authority to maintain order so that the public body may function effectively and maintain focus upon the order of business under consideration. ~~In all circumstances where appropriate, the Chair of the meeting shall allow the public the last opportunity to speak to an issue. In all circumstances, where appropriate, the Chair of a meeting shall ensure that the public has had an opportunity to speak to an issue prior to formal action being taken.~~

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