



City of Chicago



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Meeting Date: 9/14/2016

Sponsor(s): Burke (14)
Harris (8)

Type: Resolution

Title: Amendment of City Council Rules of Order and Procedure
by adding new Rule 58 to allow public participation at any
committee meeting open to public under Open Meetings Act

Committee(s) Assignment: Committee on Committees, Rules and Ethics

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

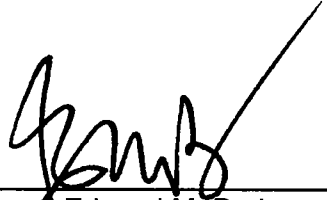
The Rules of Order and Procedure of the City Council of the City of Chicago for the 2015 - 2019 term are hereby amended by adding a new Rule 58, as follows:

Public Participation

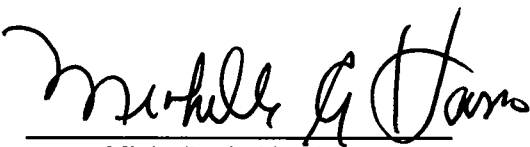
RULE 58. Any member of the general public may address any committee of the City Council at any meeting required to be open to the public under the Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/1, et seq.). Any such person who addresses a committee of the City Council shall:

- (1) be physically present inside the assembly room where the committee's meeting takes place and submit a request to testify;
- (2) limit his or her remarks to three minutes;
- (3) limit his or her remarks to the specific subject matter appearing on the agenda of the meeting;
- (4) refrain from use of profane language or obscene conduct, or make irrelevant, repetitious or disruptive comments; and
- (5) comply with the order of the Chairman of the committee meeting.

The committee Chairman has authority and discretion to: (i) curtail or limit public comment if the witness fails to comply with this Rule, and (ii) allow reasonable variances from the three-minute time limit in appropriate, non-discriminatory, circumstances.



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