

PUBLIC COMMENT PROTOCOL
FOR BREC COMMISSION AND ADVISORY COMMITTEES

1. At any time the Commission holds a public hearing or considers a matter on which a member of the public wishes to address the Commission, the Commission shall provide the opportunity to a representative number of proponents and opponents on each issue before the Commission.
2. Each person appearing before the Commission shall be required to provide a name and the group, organization or company represented, if any, and shall notify the Chair no later than the beginning of the meeting by completing a basic information form furnished by the Secretary.
3. To be certain that an opportunity is afforded all persons who desire to be heard, the chair shall inquire at the beginning of the hearing or period of public comment on each matter if there are additional persons who wish to be heard other than those who have previously notified the Chair.
4. Subject to such reasonable time limits the Commission may establish for any public hearing or period of public comment, the Chair shall allot the time available for the hearing in an equitable manner among those persons who are to be heard. In no case, however, shall any person speak more than three (3) minutes without the consent of the Commission.
5. The public shall be allowed a comment period at any point in the meeting prior to action on an agenda item upon which a vote is to be taken. The Chair will decide if public comment should be allowed at other points during the Commission meetings where votes are not taken.