

Legislation Text

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Charlotte City Council Rules of Procedure

Action:

Approve an amendment to the Charlotte City Council Rules of Procedure.

Committee Chair:

Greg Phipps, Budget and Effectiveness

Staff Resource(s):

Patrick Baker, City Attorney

Explanation

- The Rules of Procedure for the Charlotte City Council were most recently adopted on April 11, 2016.
- On May 11, 2017 an administrative change was made to change the name from "citizen forum" to "public forum."
- During the December 3, 2018 Council Strategy Session meeting, the Budget and Effectiveness Committee Chair presented the Committee's recommended changes to the current citizen forum section of the City Council's Rules of Procedure.
- These recommended changes are as follows:
 - Increase the number of speakers from 10 to 15, unless otherwise agreed by a majority of Council,
 - If up to 10 persons have signed up to speak, each person can speak for three minutes, and
 - If 11 or more persons have signed up to speak, each person can speak for two minutes but no more than 15 persons may speak during the public forum.
- A vote on the matter was deferred to January 2019.
- Changes to the Council Rules of Procedure must be voted on by City Council.

Committee Discussion

- On September 18, 2018, the Budget and Effectiveness Committee (Committee) voted unanimously to recommend to the full Council changes to the public forum (Phipps, Driggs, and Bokhari; Ajmera and Mayfield were absent).

Attachment(s)

Proposed Amendment to Rule 5 of the Rules of Procedure for the Charlotte City Council