

A POLICY RESOLUTION

repealing Resolution No. 101-14A that established revised procedures and guidelines for scheduled public comment at City Council meetings and adopting a new policy resolution on the same subject.

WHEREAS, the City Council previously established revised procedures and guidelines for scheduled public comment by adopting Resolution No. 101-14A on May 19, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to modify the policy set forth in Resolution No. 101-14A by revising scheduled public comment request methods and speaker deadline date time allotment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Resolution No. 101-14A adopted on May 19, 2014, which established revised procedures and guidelines for scheduled public comment at City Council meetings, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. The City Council hereby establishes the following procedures and guidelines for scheduled public comment at City Council meetings:

1. All requests for scheduled public comment must be submitted in writing to the City Manager's Office, City Hall Building, 701 E. Broadway, (P.O. Box 6015), Columbia, MO 65205-6015, or to the City Manager's Office by phone call, email, or via the City's online Request for Scheduled Public Comment form.
2. Written requests must be received in the City Manager's Office by noon on the Monday one (1) week prior to the City Council meeting date identified in such request. Requests must contain the speaker's name, telephone number and the topic of the scheduled comment.
3. Approximately thirty (30) minutes will be designated for the Scheduled Public Comment section of the Council agenda. Topics for public comment will be scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis. Speakers will have a maximum of five (5) minutes to address the City Council.

4. Scheduled public comments shall not be allowed on any topic related to an agenda item under public hearing, old business, consent agenda, new business or introduction and first reading.
5. No person will be permitted to make scheduled public comment more often than once every other month.
6. No single topic shall have more than two (2) speakers.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Counselor