

## Amendment to the Bylaws of The Ann Arbor City Planning Commission

### Article VIII Public Hearings

Section 1. In addition to those required by law, the Commission may, at its discretion, hold such public hearings or conferences as it decides will be in the public interest. Special accommodations, including a sign language interpreter, shall be made for people with disabilities, when requested at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance.

Section 2. The public shall receive proper legal notice as to time and location of public hearings as required by law.

Section 3. An individual wishing to address the Planning Commission during a public hearings may speak for up to three (3) minutes in total. The first person identifying him/herself as the petitioner, or as a person representing the petitioner, or representing an organized neighborhood group registered with the City of Ann Arbor, may speak for five (5) minutes in total. Subsequent speakers identifying themselves as the petitioner, or as a person representing the petitioner or representing an organized neighborhood group, may speak for three (3) minutes in total. The commission may, by majority vote, modify or waive the limitations made within this section. ~~The Chair may extend the speaking time further at his/her discretion.~~

Section 4. During public hearings, subject matter shall be limited to the topic under consideration. Commission response to the public's remarks shall be confined to clarification of the presented facts.

Section 5. At the discretion of the Chair, or by vote of a majority of the members present, public hearings may be continued to another date meeting, but will not be deemed to be a new hearing but a continuation of the original.

~~Section 6. The interpretations of the above will be guided by the most recent interpretation of rules for Public Hearings by the Ann Arbor City Council as it pertains to their Rules of the Council, and may from time to time be edited so as to mimic the interpretation and process for Public Hearings in place at meetings of the Ann Arbor City Council.~~