

# CITY OF MASON CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

We welcome residents and visitors to the meetings of Mason City Council. With the exception of executive sessions, all meetings of City Council are open to the public.

In order for all attendees to have an opportunity to address Council and feel welcome, attendees may address City Council during the Recognition of Visitors portion of the agenda. Council desires an atmosphere that allows for constructive public input, and therefore requests that everyone attending a public meeting observe the following guidelines:

1. Speakers may not approach the podium or speak until acknowledged by the Chair. Speakers must state their names and addresses for the record from the podium.
2. The Chair will recognize each speaker, and only one person may speak at a time.
3. Speakers shall have five (5) minutes to address Council. That limit may be extended or otherwise modified at the discretion of the majority of Council.
4. Anyone who willfully disrupts a City Council meeting may be asked to leave Council Chambers. No person, with purpose to prevent or disrupt a lawful meeting shall do any act which obstructs or interferes with the due conduct of such meeting; or make any utterance, gesture, or display which outrages the sensibilities of the group. (R.C. 2917.12)
5. In order to protect the City's network security, attendees addressing Council shall not be permitted to connect to any City IT equipment by means of flash drive, portable hard drive, CD, DVD, or other means. Any exhibits or other material provided by attendees must be hard copy only.