## **Revised Rule 2**

Red Text indicates new or modified language.

## General Public Comment and Public Hearings.

Part A: Each regular meeting shall include a general public comment period for the public in attendance at a time indicated on the published agenda. Regular meetings may also have public hearings on specific agenda items. Unless otherwise required by State law, the following rules shall apply to general public comment and public hearings.

The Chair shall first recognize individuals or groups having requested the opportunity to speak by signing up following the advertised process and then may recognize others subject to the available time. Speakers may be allotted up to three minutes each.

Part B: While speakers may unilaterally display their own hand-held media and may share hard copies of written materials during their allotted time, they may not use Wake County staff, equipment, audio and visual tools or Wake County owned and maintained electronic media to present their own media, including but not limited to videos or slidedecks during the comment period. This will streamline the flow and transition between public speakers during the comment period.

Part C: Should the total number of persons requesting comment time exceed 15, the Board Chair may implement one or more of these procedures:

- Uniformly limit speakers to less than three minutes of time, but no less than one minute of time.
- Request groups in attendance to select a speaker to represent shared themes and sentiments

Part D: Commissioners shall not respond to speakers, or make comments, during the General Public Comment period.

Part E: Should a person or persons willfully interrupt, disturb, or disrupt the meeting, the Chair may direct the persons to leave the meeting, if the Chair deems it necessary to maintain meeting decorum.