

BY AUTHORITY

RESOLUTION NO. 22-0840
SERIES OF 2022

COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE:
Land Use, Transportation, and Infrastructure

A RESOLUTION

Amending the Denver City Council Rules of Procedure concerning public hearings and landmark designations.

WHEREAS, § 3.3.5 of the Charter authorizes the City Council to make rules governing its procedures; and

WHEREAS, Sec. 13-6(a)(2), D.R.M.C. provides that the Council may adopt or amend its rules of procedure by resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER:

Section 1. That Rule 4.2 of the Denver City Council Rules of Procedure shall be amended by deleting the language stricken and adding the language underlined, to read as follows:

4.2 TIME LIMITS; EXCEPTIONS. Before the hearing begins, the President shall announce a time limitation of three minutes for individual speakers, and all registered speakers shall strictly adhere to such limitation, with the following exceptions: ~~Exceptions: 1) A speaker may answer questions from Council members outside the three-minute time limit. 2) A speaker may not yield his or her time to another. 3) Additional time may be given to accommodate disability or language translation. 4) A time limit longer or shorter than three minutes per speaker may be established upon the affirmative vote of a majority of members present.~~

(a) A speaker may answer questions from Council members outside the three-minute time limit.

(b) Additional time may be given to accommodate disability or language translation.

(c) A time limit longer or shorter than three minutes per speaker may be established upon the affirmative vote of a majority of members present.

(d) A speaker may not yield his or her time to another, except as provided in Rule 4.6(b).

(e) An owner and applicant, or their representative, participating in a hearing subject to

1 Rule 4.6(a).

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3 **Section 2.** That Rule 4.6 of the Denver City Council Rules of Procedure shall be amended
4 by adding the language underlined, to read as follows:

5 4.6 LANDMARK DESIGNATIONS. The following special procedures shall govern for
6 preservation designations:

7 (a) STRUCTURE DESIGNATION. Prior to general public comment at the public hearing, the
8 President shall grant the owner and the applicant, or their representatives, time to present their
9 case for or against preservation.

10 (b) DISTRICT DESIGNATION. Speakers who own property or reside in the district may yield
11 time to allow a sole representative to speak for the owners or residents during the public hearing.

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13 COMMITTEE APPROVAL DATE: _____, 2022.

14 MAYOR-COUNCIL DATE: _____, 2022.

15 PASSED BY THE COUNCIL _____ 2022

16 _____ - PRESIDENT

17 ATTEST: _____ - CLERK AND RECORDER,
18 EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE
19 CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER

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21 PREPARED BY: Jonathan Griffin, Assistant City Attorney DATE: July 27, 2022

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23 Pursuant to section 13-9, D.R.M.C., this proposed ordinance has been reviewed by the office of the
24 City Attorney. We find no irregularity as to form and have no legal objection to the proposed
25 ordinance. The proposed ordinance **is not** submitted to the City Council for approval pursuant to §
26 3.2.6 of the Charter.

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28 Kristin M. Bronson
29 City Attorney

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31 BY: _____, _____ City Attorney DATE: _____