

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-02 OF THE
CITY OF FRIENDSVILLE, TENNESSEE,
ADOPTING RULES FOR
PUBLIC COMMENTS, PURSUANT TO
TENNESSEE CODE ANNOTATED § 8-44-112**

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee General Assembly enacted into law Tennessee Code Annotated § 8-44-112, requiring periods for public comment during local government meetings, with certain exceptions;

WHEREAS, Paragraph (b) of the public comment law provides that a governing body may put reasonable restrictions on the period for public comment; and

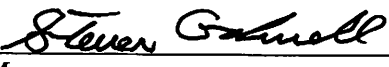
WHEREAS, this Board has determined that restrictions are appropriate in order to ensure and balance the multiple competing interests of public involvement in local government, the orderly and efficient conduct of local government meetings, and the representation of opposing viewpoints.

WHEREAS, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FRIENDSVILLE, TENNESSEE, that the following provisions are adopted, restricting the Public Comment segment of governing body meetings subject to T.C.A. § 8-44-112. Members of the public who wish to speak during the Public Comment portion regarding items on the meeting agenda must sign up at City Hall no later than noon on the day of the meeting.

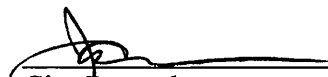
1. Any public member signing up for comment shall be required to review these restrictions.
2. A declaration of the agenda item the comment will address is required at signup.
3. All comments shall be limited to actionable items involving a vote that appears on the current meeting agenda.
4. The maximum duration of any comment shall be **three (3)** minutes, unless the body votes to permit more time for speakers and their comments.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Friendsville Board of Mayor and Commission in regular session assembled on this 5th day of June 2025, hereby adopts these adopting rules for public comments, pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated § 8-44-112.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution takes effect from and after its passage, and that any part of any proper resolution to the contrary is hereby declared null and void, the public welfare requiring it.



Mayor



City Recorder