

Audience to be Heard.

Members of the public desiring to speak at a City Commission meeting during "Audience to be Heard" shall fill out and return to the City Clerk, in the City Commission Chambers, the appropriate form, which must include the information needed to determine the speaker's priority as provided in subsection (a)(b)(c) below, **prior to the call to order of the meeting.**

The City Clerk will call residents and taxpayers of the city to speak first. Others desiring to speak will thereafter be called to speak, except:

- a) When the person is a user of the city's water or sewer system and wishes to be heard on a matter related to the city's water and/or sewer system;
- b) When such person is a city employee; or
- c) When such person is serving as an authorized representative for a person who would otherwise be permitted to be heard pursuant to the priority established in this subsection.

Thirty (30) minutes or such time needed to permit ten (10) members of the public to speak, whichever is longer, shall be set aside at the beginning of each City Commission meeting for the "audience to be heard" session. The "audience to be heard" session shall be continued at the end of the Commission meeting in the event that individuals wishing to speak are not reached during the first session.

During "audience to be heard," members of the public desiring to speak may speak on any city government related matter and shall limit their discussion to items not appearing on the agenda except for items not removed from the consent agenda.

Each person addressing the Commission during "audience to be heard" shall limit his or her comments to **three (3) minutes.**

For more information on Meeting Decorum, please go to pompanobeachfl.gov and access the Pompano Beach Code of Ordinances.