

**CITY OF PINELLAS PARK, FLORIDA  
CITY COUNCIL TOWN HALL MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 8, 2009**

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
  
- II. INVOCATION**
  
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
  
- IV. INTRODUCTION OF COUNCIL AND CITY STAFF**
  
- V. RULES OF PROCEDURE (5 MINUTE TIME LIMIT)**
  
- VI. OPEN FORUM WITH CITY COUNCIL TO DISCUSS CURRENT AFFAIRS**

**PLEASE NOTE** that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by City Council with respect to any matter considered at the above-cited meeting, the person will need a record of the proceedings and, for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. The City maintains a tape recording of all public hearings. In the event that you wish to appeal a decision, the tape may or may not adequately insure a verbatim record of the proceedings; therefore, you may wish to provide a court reporter at your own expense (Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes).

**FOR PERSONS WITH HEARING IMPAIRMENT** — An interpreter for persons with hearing impairment will be made available upon requests made at least 72 hours in advance. Also, an Assistive Hearing Device (amplifier) is available from the City Clerk for use in Council Chambers and all meeting rooms throughout the City. This agenda document is available in the following accessible formats: Braille, Large Print, Audio Tape, and Electronic File on Computer Disks.

**RULES OF PROCEDURE**  
**CITY OF PINELLAS PARK**

**MANNER OF ADDRESSING COUNCIL - TIME LIMIT.**

Each person addressing Council shall approach the microphone, state his/her name and address for the record in an audible tone, and shall limit his/her address to a total of five (5) minutes unless the time is extended by Council. Persons may not yield any unused time to any other person. Exception: Individuals who are present at the meeting may designate a spokesperson to appear on their behalf by relinquishing their speaking time to the spokesperson. A Speakers Waiver Form must be filled out and signed by the individual relinquishing the time and must be submitted to the Presiding Officer prior to the comments. For each such individual relinquishing their speaking time, the spokesperson shall receive an extra one (1) minute per name, up to a maximum total of seven (7) additional minutes, for up to a total of ten (10) minutes. All remarks shall be addressed to Council as a body and not to any singular member. No person, other than Council members and the person who has the floor, shall be permitted to enter into any discussion, either directly or through a member of Council, without permission of the Presiding Officer.

**DECORUM.**

**By Members of Audience.** Any person who shall make personal, impertinent or slanderous remarks, or who shall become boisterous while addressing Council, shall be forthwith barred from further audience before Council by the Presiding Officer, unless permission to continue is granted by a majority vote of Council.

**ENFORCEMENT OF DECORUM.** The City Manager or such person or persons as he/she may designate shall be Sergeant-at-Arms of Council meetings. He/she or they shall carry out all orders and instructions given by the Presiding Officer for the purpose of maintaining proper order and decorum at Council Meetings. Upon instruction of the Presiding Officer, it shall be the duty of the Sergeant-At-Arms, or any of them present, to cause any person who violates the proper order and decorum of the proceedings to be removed from the meeting by the City Police Department.