

**E. Citizen Forum** – To encourage and allow ongoing input and feedback from citizens, Regular, Special and Workshop meetings shall include on the agenda an opportunity for citizens to address the Council. In addition to public hearings that may be scheduled for public comment on specific matters, **the Citizen Forum will ensure citizens have the opportunity to speak to all other items on a meeting agenda and/or matters pertaining to the business of the Council.**

i. Speakers shall be residents of the City of Dover, property owners in the City of Dover, and/or designated representatives of recognized civic organizations or businesses located in the City of Dover;

ii. Speakers shall address their comments to the presiding officer and the Council as a body and not to any individual member;

iii. Speakers shall first recite their name and address for the record;

iv. Each speaker shall be provided a single opportunity for comment, limited to five (5) minutes with the five (5) minutes beginning after the obligatory statement of name and address by the speaker;

v. Citizen Forum shall not be a two-way dialogue between speaker(s), Council Member(s), and/or the City Manager.

vi. The presiding officer shall preserve strict order and decorum for and by all speakers appearing before the Council.

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