

## SECTION 5.25 – Limit on Public Speakers

Any person desiring to speak at a meeting of the Board or its committees shall submit a written Speaker's Request form setting forth his/her name, address and the organization he/she represents, if any, and a description of the topic he/she wishes to discuss to the District's Public Affairs Manager or her/his designee located near the entrance inside the board room. ~~It is within the presiding officer's discretion whether or not to allow members of the public to speak.~~ Any person shall have the opportunity to address the Board of Commissioners in accordance with the terms of these Rules. ~~If a request to speak is granted,~~ Once that person is recognized to speak by the President of the Board of Commissioners or other presiding officer, the speaker shall have up to three minutes to speak unless more or less time is allowed by the presiding officer. Member of the public may request permission from the presiding officer to speak on any subject relevant to the business of the Board of Commissioners. The presiding officer may rescind such permission instanter where the speaker is determined by the presiding officer to be disruptive or otherwise acting in a manner which unreasonably prevents or interferes with the orderly conduct of the business of the Board of Commissioners.