

Public Comment

The Board, in their rules provide for cases without opposition, 5 minutes total for the appellant, including members of the public speaking in support of the appeal, to present their case and supporting comments. For cases that have opposition, the rules provide the appellant including members of the public speaking in support of the appeal, 10 minutes total for their presentation and rebuttal of the opposition's presentation. For members of the public speaking in opposition, 10 minutes is provided. This is 10 minutes total for all speakers combined, and not 10 minutes for each speaker.

For members of the Public that want to submit comments, to be entered into the record prior to the meeting, that are either in support of, or opposition to an appeal, the comments must be submitted to the Board Staff no later than 5 days prior to the public hearing. Send comments to:

STRBoard@nashville.gov

Documentation supporters or opponents wish to provide to the Board after the deadline can be presented to the Board members by providing eight copies at the public hearing; however, the Board may elect to defer cases in order to review any materials received after the deadline.

Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-44-112, a public comment period will be reserved at the beginning of each meeting for items on the agenda that have been deferred from a prior meeting and public hearing has been closed as well as any items for which public hearing is not otherwise required. This public comment period is limited to twenty (20) minutes total and each speaker is limited to two minutes. People who wish to speak must sign up prior to the meeting on the sign-up sheet, which will be available 30 minutes prior to the meeting start time. The Board will take all practicable steps to ensure that all who wish to speak are given time.