

CITY OF DARIEN TEMPORARY AMENDMENT TO CITY COUNCIL MEETING RULES FOR COMPLIANCE WITH ILLINOIS OPEN MEETINGS ACT:

- In person attendance at City Council meetings will resume September 21, 2020. All elected officials may elect to participate in a City Council meeting by way of audio or video conferencing. The Council member's absence must be because of personal illness or disability; employment purposes; city business; or a family or other emergency. If a member of the council wishes to attend the meeting by means of a video or audio conference, the member must notify the city clerk of his or her nonattendance as soon as is reasonably possible so that the clerk may make appropriate arrangements.
- The public will be permitted to attend a City Council meeting but the meeting room will be limited to 10 members of the public at one time. The public will be required to maintain social distancing rules and are required to wear a mask while in the building.
- Members of the public physically present must be able to hear all discussion and testimony and all votes of the members of the body. This would mean that members of the public physically present, if more than 10, can be in a different room at City Hall. For example, this can be accomplished by offering a call-in telephone number, a web-based link such as YouTube presenting meeting live or viewing the meeting on cable at City Hall.
- The public is encouraged to participate in City Council meetings by submitting questions and comments via email to Mayor Marchese at [jmarchese@darienil.gov](mailto:jmarchese@darienil.gov) or City Administrator Bryon Vana at [bvana@darienil.gov](mailto:bvana@darienil.gov).
- Emails providing public comment shall be submitted prior to the start of the City Council meeting. Emails asking questions relating to an agenda item will be accepted during the Council meeting through the conclusion of Agenda Item 14- Questions and Comments

Visit the City of Darien [YouTube channel](#) to view the meeting live.

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**PRE-COUNCIL WORK SESSION — 7:00 P.M.**  
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Agenda of the Regular Meeting

of the City Council of the

**CITY OF DARIEN**

September 21, 2020

7:30 P.M.

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Declaration of Quorum

5. Questions, Comments and Announcements — **General (This is an opportunity for the public to make comments or ask questions on any issue – 3 Minute Limit Per Person, Additional Public Comment Period - Agenda Item 18)**
6. Approval of Minutes — September 8, 2020
7. Receiving of Communications
8. Mayor's Report
9. City Clerk's Report
10. City Administrator's Report
11. Department Head Information/Questions
  - A. Police Department
  - B. Municipal Services — Architectural and Design Guidelines
12. Treasurer's Report
  - A. Warrant Number — 20-21-10
  - B. Monthly Report — August 2020
13. Standing Committee Reports
14. Questions and Comments — **Agenda Related (This is an opportunity for the public to make comments or ask questions on any item on the Council's Agenda – 3 Minute Limit Per Person)**
15. Old Business
16. Consent Agenda
17. New Business
18. Questions, Comments and Announcements — **General (This is an opportunity for the public to make comments or ask questions on any issue – 3 Minute Limit Per Person)**
19. Adjournment

## **CITY OF DARIEN**

### **RULES FOR COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC COMMENT REQUIREMENTS OF THE ILLINOIS OPEN MEETINGS ACT**

#### **I. PURPOSE OF RULES.**

The purpose of these Rules is to comply with the requirement of Section 2.06 of the Illinois Open Meetings Act that a public comment section be provided at each meeting subject to the Open Meetings Act.

#### **II. DEFINITION OF “PUBLIC BODY” or “BODY.”**

For purposes of these Rules, the term “Public Body” or “Body” shall mean the City Council, any Committee of the City Council, and any Board and Commission established by the City Council.

#### **III. RULES GOVERNING PUBLIC COMMENT.**

A. Unless otherwise allowed by a majority vote of the Body, the public comment periods shall be as follows:

1. For the City Council, as set forth on the attached **Agenda template**.
2. For Council committees and advisory committees, at the conclusion of the meeting immediately before adjournment. At the direction of the Body, the floor may be opened for public comment in conjunction with specific agenda items.

B. Individuals seeking to make public comment to the Body shall be formally recognized by the Chair.

C. Individuals addressing the Body shall identify themselves by name, but need not provide their home address.

D. Individuals addressing the Body shall do so by addressing their comments to the Body

itself and shall not turn to address the audience.

E. Public comment time shall be limited to three (3) minutes per person.

F. An individual will be allowed a second opportunity to address the Body only after all other interested persons have addressed the Body and only upon the majority vote of the Body.

G. In the case of a special meeting, public comment will be limited to subject matters germane to the agenda of the special meeting.

#### **IV. PUBLIC HEARING REQUIREMENTS.**

Additional public comments periods will be allowed as required by law in the case of public hearing, subject to the same time constraints.

**Approved by a Motion on November 17, 2014**