

**RAMSEY/WASHINGTON COUNTIES
SUBURBAN CABLE COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

PUBLIC COMMENT POLICY

1. Purpose

This Policy is intended to describe and govern the process by which the Commission takes input from the public during its meetings.

2. Application

This Policy applies to every meeting of the Commission or any of its committees that is open to the public.

3. Availability and Timing

A public comment period will be offered for a maximum of 20 minutes at the beginning of every meeting to which this Policy applies.

4. Duration

Subject to the right of the Commission or committee to shorten such time, each individual addressing the Commission or committee during its public comment period shall limit his or her remarks to a maximum of five minutes.

5. Decorum

While the public is welcome to address any topic or issue during the public comment period, obscene or defamatory statements will not be tolerated. The Commission expects each individual who speaks during a public comment period to do so with respect for the Commission and its employees, and in turn the Commission or committee will show its respect for the individual by not interrupting him or her during the individual's comments.

6. Enforcement

The person chairing each meeting of the Commission or a committee shall have the right to interpret and enforce this Policy, including the right to suspend or terminate an individual's comment period for violations of this Policy. At his or her discretion, the person chairing each meeting shall also have the right to invite public comment on issues during the meeting.