

Mecklenburg County

Legislation Text

File #: 19-5454, Version: 1

Title:

Public Appearance

Summary ACTION:

Hear from citizens desiring to speak on items not appearing on the agenda:

<u>SPEAKER</u> <u>TOPIC</u>

James Lee Grier Heights

Nancy Carter Sustainable Energy for County Government

Tina Katsanos Environmental health impacts and our children

Tera Long Climate and health

William Hickman Justice for Organized Crime (in opposition)

Crystal Pemberton Championing School Choice (in favor)

Staff Contact: Janice S. Paige, Clerk to the Board

Presentation: No

BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:

Public Appearance is the time during the Board's Regular meeting that citizens are allowed to speak on matters not appearing on the agenda.

Members of the public who appear during the public appearance portion of a regular meeting may discuss any matter within the jurisdiction of the Board of Commissioners except for the following types of matters:

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- a) a matter which appears on the agenda of that meeting of the Board;
- b) a matter which concerns the candidacy of any person for public office, including the candidacy of the person appearing before the Board;
- c) a request that the Board consider funding a certain program or activity, either from the current budget, or by inclusion in a future budget (such requests would be made at the Board's annual budget public hearing).

The time limit for speaking is three (3) minutes, unless there are four (4) or more speakers who wish to speak concerning the same matter, in which case, all persons wishing to speak on the same matter will be considered a group and given a total of ten (10) minutes. The Board reserves the right to alter these rules on a case by case basis as necessary for the efficient and effective conduct of business.

Members of the Board will not engage in dialogue with public appearance speakers. Comments will be received and followed up on as applicable by County staff and/or members of the Board.

Handouts and/or tokens shall be given to the Clerk for distribution to the Board at the conclusion of the meeting.

PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: N/A

<u>POLICY IMPACT</u>: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A