

Public Participation at the Animal Care Advisory Committee Meeting

Members of the public may address the Animal Care Advisory Committee (“Committee”) regarding items listed on the Committee’s meeting agenda in accordance with these procedures and applicable Florida law.

If you wish to address the Committee during a meeting, you must register prior to the meeting. You may register by emailing your name and the agenda item(s) to **gbertrand@broward.org** by no later than 9:00am on the day of the meeting. You may also register in person on the day of the meeting at the Animal Care Center located at 2400 S.W. 42nd St, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312. In person registration commences one and a half hours prior to the start of the meeting and closes fifteen (15) minutes prior to the start of the meeting.

During the meeting, when recognized by the Chair or other presiding officer, please step up to the speaker’s microphone and:

- Provide your name and indicate whether you represent anyone.
- If asked, state whether you are being compensated by the persons(s) or organization(s) which you represent.

If five or fewer persons are registered to speak on an agenda item, three minutes is generally allocated for each speaker. However, if the number of speakers for an agenda item exceeds five persons, the Chair may reduce the time for each speaker to two minutes. Persons registered to speak on multiple agenda items will be allocated five minutes total for all items. Multiple speakers signed up to address the Committee on the same item cannot consolidate their individual time allocations or yield their time to another speaker. The Chair will let you know when the time you have been given to speak expires.

All persons in attendance at the Committee meeting must maintain appropriate decorum. No signs or posters are allowed in the meeting room. Members of the audience are asked to silence their cell phones and show respect for others. Irrelevant comments, personal attacks, or disruptive speech or conduct is not allowed. Boisterous behavior, including but not limited to, applause, booing, and cheering is not permitted.

Any person who refuses to stop talking or yield the floor upon expiration of the time allotted by the Chair, insists on discussing items not listed on the agenda, or otherwise violates these procedures, may be removed from the building by security or law enforcement officials.