

WC HOA MEETINGS: RIGHTS OF MEMBERS (OWNERS) TO SPEAK

PURPOSE: Our goal is to ensure efficient and effective HOA meetings in furtherance of the business and operations of the Winding Cypress Community and to do so in an inclusive and respectful manner. Accordingly, in order to ensure professionalism and reasonable decorum during HOA Board meetings, we publish the following reasonable written rules governing the frequency, duration and other manner of member of Member statements pursuant to FL State Statute and Winding Cypress governing documents.

SOURCES: WC Bylaws Board of Directors (Notice to Owners 4.7); Florida Statutes Title XL, Chapter 720.303 Association powers and duties; meetings of the board... BOARD MEETINGS (b); See *also*, Florida Statutes Title XL, Chapter 720.306 Meetings of members; voting and election procedures; amendments: (6) RIGHT TO SPEAK.

RULES:

1. Attendees and participants will conduct themselves in a professional manner and treat all present with dignity and respect, even when parties agree to disagree. Anything less than appropriate decorum will not be tolerated.
2. Speakers wishing to make comments/statements will address their comments exclusively to HOA Board members.
3. Speakers will address Board members from the designated spot in the room. Speakers will identify themselves by name and street address and speak into the microphone to enable those attending the meeting in virtual theater (e.g. Zoom) are able to hear the exchange.
4. Speakers must have signed up in advance or be recognized by the Board before addressing the Board.
5. Speakers may make comments/statements for up to 3 minutes on agenda items only during the designated **Agenda Item Comment** period.
6. Speakers may make comments/statements for up to 3 minutes on any topic relevant to HOA business and operations during the designated **Open Comment** period.
7. Speakers may not split time with or transfer time to other members.
8. Member questions should be submitted to the Board in writing for the Board's review and appropriate response thereafter.
9. Should any attendee(s) or speakers fail to conduct themselves in accordance with these rules after being reminded of them, The WC HOA Board of Directors may exercise its right to 1.) Request that those individuals leave the meeting; 2.) Call for a temporary recess or "cooling off" period; or 3.) Continue or adjourn the meeting as the President or Secretary of the Board deems appropriate.