



Citizen Comment Pilot Program Ordinance

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Background

- 10/10/17 – City Attorney gave a presentation regarding why the Council could not deliberate and take action on Section 3.B. items on the Regular Meeting Agenda
- During presentation, a question was asked whether Council could ask speakers questions and engage in Council discussion.
- Yes, provided that Sec. 2-29 of the City Code and the Regular Meeting Agenda were amended to provide advance notice to the public

Background

- At the end of the presentation, a consensus of Council directed the CA to bring back a temporary trial ordinance to include the following:
 - Allow the Council to discuss Sec. 3.B. items
 - Allow the Council to ask questions of each speaker
 - Allow the Council to request Sec. 3.B. items be further researched and placed on a future Council agenda
 - Modify the total time allotted for Sec. 3.B. items to 5 mins.

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- Ord. includes these 4 items
- Ord is effective for 90 days to commence on Jan 1, 2018
- Temporarily overrides contrary 2-29 provisions
- Directs City Secretary to make necessary changes to Sec 3.B.
- At conclusion of the pilot program, Council can make changes permanent
- Video script that is aired at the beginning of the Public Comment agenda section has also been revised

Options

- Council can make changes today and approve ord. next week
- Council may decide not to move forward with the ord.
- Council may postpone and request further information or changes