

Committee of the Whole – Public Comment Rules

Court of Common Council
City of Hartford

The following is excerpted from: Council Rules, as adopted on February 8, 2016
http://hartford.gov/images/TownClerk/Council_Rules_2016-2019_Adopted_Feb_8_2016.pdf

XI. There shall be a Committee of the Whole comprised of the entire Court of Common Council.

The Committee of the Whole shall meet at 6:00 p.m. and end at 7:00 p.m. at the first regularly held Council Meeting of each month for the purpose of taking public comment on issues of interest to the community.

No member of the public shall speak for more than three (3) minutes. It is the duty of the Presiding Officer to enforce that time limit in an equitable fashion.

During the public comment period, no member of the Council may address the Council as a member of the public.

Any person making personal, impertinent or slanderous remarks or who becomes boisterous while addressing the Council, shall be forthwith barred by the Presiding Officer from further audience at said meeting unless permission to remain is granted by a two-thirds vote of the Council members present and voting.

During the public comment period, there shall be no debate by the Council nor shall Council members ask questions.