

ORDINANCE NO. 1795

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2.02.140 OF THE FOUNTAIN
MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE MANNER IN WHICH TO ADDRESS
CITY COUNCIL**

WHEREAS, Section 2.02.104 of Ordinance No. 1433 gives citizens the ability to address City Council directly to express opinions about issues not on the agenda; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to increase the time allotted for citizens to address the Council from three minutes to five minutes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Fountain, Colorado, as follows:

Section 1. Section 2.02.140 of Ordinance No. 1433 is hereby further amended to read as follows:

2.02.140 Manner of Addressing Council-Time Limit. Each person wishing to address the City Council at the Public to be Heard section to express opinions about issues not on the agenda shall sign up in person at the City Council Chambers, beginning fifteen (15) minutes prior to the scheduled time on the day of the meeting with the City Clerk or the Deputy City Clerk. Each person addressing the Council shall step to the microphone, shall give only his or her name in an audible tone of voice for the records, and unless further time is granted by the Presiding Officer, shall limit the address to **five** ~~three~~ (35) minutes. The total limit for public input is thirty (30) minutes unless further time is granted by the Presiding Officer. All remarks shall be addressed to the Council as a body and not to any member thereof. No person, other than the Council and the person having the floor, shall be permitted to enter into any discussion, either directly or through a member of the Council, without the permission of the Presiding Officer. No question shall be asked of a Council Member except through the Presiding Officer.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as provided by the Charter City.

Introduced, read by title and passed this ____ day of _____, 2023, by the City Council, City of Fountain, Colorado, signed by the Mayor, and ordered published by title with a summary written by the City Clerk together with a statement that the ordinance is available for public inspection and acquisition in the office of the City Clerk in the Colorado Springs Gazette, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Fountain, Colorado.

Sharon Thompson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Silvia Huffman, City Clerk

Introduced, read by title, and passed on second and final reading on the ____ day of _____, 2023, and ordered published by title in the Colorado Springs Gazette, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Fountain, Colorado, in accordance with the City Charter.

Sharon Thompson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Silvia Huffman, City Clerk