

## EXHIBIT "A"

### 206.10 PUBLIC HEARING

(a) A "Public Hearing" is any matter or application that comes before a body or agency of the City of Hudson, where advanced notice is required, for the purposes of fact-finding, during which evidence, exhibits, and testimony shall be collected and used to make a determination. ~~required by law where advance notice is required and testimony is to be given on a particular topic or application.~~

(b) All Public Hearings conducted by any public body of the Municipality shall have the following order of business and rules:

(1) ~~(1)~~ Swearing In: Any individual who speaks during a public hearing is required to give an oath or affirmation to testify truthfully under penalty of perjury. The chair shall provide an opportunity at the beginning of the meeting for individuals to swear in, but may perform additional oaths ~~ones~~ at any point in the hearing as needed.

(2) Introduction: City staff will provide an initial introduction of the topic and any verbal comments related to the staff report ~~an initial introductions of the application or topic, the applicant and any verbal comments related to a written staff report~~, if one is required or has been prepared.

(3) Initial Applicant Comments: The applicant, if any, will have an opportunity to provide testimony on their application. Under this section of the hearing, testimony ~~comments shall be limited to the applicant, or their legal representation, and~~ shall not exceed ~~45~~ 30 minutes.

(4) Initial Questions from the Body: Each member of the body will have an opportunity to ask questions to the applicant or staff. There is no time limit for this discussion, but a member has the right to interrupt a speaker once his or her question has been answered. ~~The chair has the right to close this section of the hearing when he or she believes the discussion is exhausted.~~

(5) Comments from Individuals With Standing: Each individual with standing will have an opportunity to provide testimony. An individual has "standing" if they were mailed a notice of the public hearing, see Section 1203.01(f)(6). Under this section of the hearing, each individual's testimony ~~comments shall be limited to the individual with standing, or their legal representation, and~~ shall not exceed 15 minutes.

(6) Comments from the Public: Each member of the public will have an opportunity to provide testimony on the topic or application. Under this section of the hearing, each individual's testimony ~~comments shall be limited to the individual, or their legal representation, and~~ shall not exceed 5 minutes.

(7) Final Questions from the Body: Based on the testimony heard, each member of the body conducting the public hearing will have an opportunity to ask additional questions to any individual who provided testimony or staff. There is no time limit for this discussion, but a member has the right to interrupt a speaker once his or her question has been answered. ~~The chair has the right to close this section when he or she believes the discussion is exhausted.~~

(8) Final Applicant Comments: The applicant, if any, will have an opportunity to provide final comments on their application. Comments shall ~~be limited to the applicant, or their legal representation, and shall~~ not exceed ~~15~~ 30 minutes. ~~The chair has the right to extend this time limit at his or her discretion.~~

(9) Discussion/Action by the Body: The body may discuss the testimony and evidence received and take action on it. This section may be deferred if the item is scheduled for discussion / action on a future agenda or if the item is to be taken under advisement.

(c) To the extent any administrative or other parliamentary rules of procedure have been adopted by a body of this Municipality, to the extent such provisions conflict with this section, the terms and processes as set forth in this section shall control.

(d) The following shall apply to all individuals making a comment or offering testimony during a Public Hearing:

(1) No person shall address the board or commission until recognized by the chair.

(2) Orderly and respectful behavior shall be exhibited at all times.

(3) A person exhibiting disorderly behavior may be asked by the chair to be seated and refrain from further comment. After a warning from the chair, any person continuing to exhibit disorderly behavior may be removed from the meeting at the chair's direction.

(4) All testimony shall be germane to the fact finding inquiry of the body. The witness may be asked to redirect from commentary back to the presentation of facts at the chair's discretion.