

MOUNT KISCO PLANNING BOARD RULES FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS

Tuesday January 26th, 2021.

Whereas the Planning Board wishes to hear all public comment to properly inform its decision making process;

And whereas the Planning Board wishes to receive information from its advisory boards which are tasked with providing expert information in their subject matter;

And whereas the Planning Board wishes to conduct these public hearings in a professional, consistent, collegial, expeditious, and orderly manner the following rules are now adopted:

1. All members of the public shall be allowed 3 minutes to make their public comments. Members of the public shall be allowed a total of one return visit at a public hearing which has been adjourned. All subsequent comments shall present new information only. Those addressing the board shall state their name and address for the record.
2. Heads of advisory boards, or their assigned delegate, shall be allowed 5 minutes to address the planning board. All additional information shall be submitted in writing. Advisory boards shall limit their information to the facts and opinions related to their board's expertise and questions they wish addressed. A representative of an Advisory Board shall be allowed one 3 minute return comment period during all adjournments total. Such return visit shall be limited to new information only. Advisory board speaker s shall clearly indicate which board they represent.
3. The public is requested to limit their comments to factual data and questions they wish the applicant to respond to.
4. A shot clock or timer will be established to enforce these time limits. The chair shall enforce such limits in his/her discretion.
5. No rude, derogatory or inflammatory comments shall be allowed. The chair shall have the right to cut off all persons whether public, staff, members, or applicant if he/she feels this rule is breached.
6. Applicants shall be allowed to respond to public comments either expeditiously at the end of each public hearing session or in writing subsequently.

Be it resolved ...