



RESOLUTION NO. 20190827-01

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A PUBLIC COMMENT POLICY

WHEREAS, TexAmericas Center is a political subdivision of the State of Texas with the powers and authorities specified in Chapter 3503 of the Special District Local Laws Code of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, during their 86th Regular Session, the Texas Legislature enacted House Bill 2840 which made changes to the Public Comment requirements to certain organizations and said changes are being addressed by TexAmericas Center; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors finds that it is in the best interest of TexAmericas Center to address the changes required in House Bill 2840.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors does hereby adopt the Public Comment Policy attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

PASSED and APPROVED this 27th day of August, 2019.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Boyd Sartin".

Boyd Sartin, Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ben King".

Ben King, Secretary

Attached: Exhibit "A" – Public Comment Policy

Public Comment Policy

Citizen participation is welcome during TexAmericas Center Board Meetings. All Board Meetings are posted at least 72 hours in advance on our website. Agendas and Public Notices are also posted at TexAmericas Center Headquarters, 107 Chapel Lane, New Boston, TX, 75570.

Citizens who wish to make public comments during the meeting shall sign up with the presiding officer or designee before the meeting begins and shall indicate the topic about which they wish to speak. All public comments will be heard during the appropriate time during the meeting. Public comments have a time limit of 5 minutes for each person, unless noted differently on the agenda for that meeting, modified by the chair during the meeting or modified by a majority vote of the board members during that meeting. Citizens who are non-English speaking and address the body through a translator will be given twice the amount of time as a member of the public who does not require the assistance of a translator.

Anyone wishing to address the board on any matter not on the agenda may do so, but only under agenda item "Public Comment Period for Non-Agenda Items". Board members cannot discuss items presented by citizens that are not on the agenda, other than to state facts about the topic presented by the citizen or to discuss putting the topic on a future agenda item.

Anyone wishing to address the board on any matter on the agenda may do so during "Public Comment Period for Agenda Items". At this time in the agenda, the Chair will ask if anyone from the public wishes to comment on any items on the agenda for that meeting. To maintain decorum during this portion of the agenda, Board Chair, at their discretion, will invite citizens to speak, confirm which item they wish to provide comment, and confirm if they wish to speak for or against the agenda item. Board members may respond to citizen comments at this time, however, they are under no obligation to do so.