## **RESOLUTION NO. 2015-4**

## CITIZEN PARTICIPATION AT CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE PUBLIC MEETINGS

Whereas, the City of Cherokee Village elected representatives invites its citizens to attend its public meetings, in order to become acquainted with the functions of city government; and so that the Cherokee Village City Council, Cherokee Village Planning and Zoning Commission, Cherokee Village Advertising and Promotion Commission, and other city committees may have a formal opportunity to hear the concerns, requests, and recommendations from the citizens of Cherokee Village on matters under consideration by these bodies, and,

Whereas, it is appropriate for all public meetings to be conducted in an orderly and proper manner.

**NOW THEREFORE,** it is hereby Resolved by the City Council with concurrence of the Mayor that:

Comments from the public shall be accepted at all regular business and special meetings of the City Council, Planning and Zoning Commission, Advertising and Promotion Commission, and other city committees; and a time shall be allotted for these remarks. Citizens desiring to address items under consideration by the City Council, a Commission, or Committee may do so according to the following procedures:

- 1. An agenda and sign-in form shall be provided where appropriate prior to the beginning of each public meeting. Citizens desiring to address an agenda item and/or make public comments shall provide their name and address on this form.
- 2. An allotted time at the beginning of each public meeting shall be granted by the chair. During this time, citizens may address the City Council, Commission or Committee on agenda items.
- 3. Discussion of agenda items during the business portion of the public meeting shall be confined to City Council, Commission, or Committee members, unless the Chair, upon approval by a majority of the City Council, Commission, or Committee members present, requests additional comments from the persons in attendance at said meeting.
- 4. In order to maintain proper meeting decorum, no person shall be permitted to comment unless first recognized by the Chair of the meeting.

- 5. Allotted time for closing comments at the end of each public meeting shall be granted by the Chair for any citizen of Cherokee Village desiring to address a public meeting prior to its adjournment.
- 6. All comments should be civil and duly appropriate in nature. Inappropriate remarks and/or behavior may be ruled out of order and may result in removal of a person from the public meeting.
- 7. All citizens of Cherokee Village are encouraged to contact their elected municipal officials or commission and committee members on an individual basis for additional clarification of civic issues and/or provide information to these representatives, in order to promote more effective city government

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CHEROKEE VILLAGE CITY COUNCIL

DATE: ((Cas)

APPROVED:

Russell Stokes, Jr., Mayor

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ATTEST:

Lana Hamilton, City Clerk