## **RESOLUTION NO. 2003 – 03**

## CITIZEN PARTICIPATION AT PUBLIC MEETINGS

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

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

**<u>NOW THEREFORE</u>**, 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 meetings of the City Council, Planning and Zoning Commission and various committees and a time shall be allotted for these remarks. Citizens wishing to address items under consideration by the council, commission, or committees may do so according to the following procedures:

1. An agenda and sign-in form shall be provided for the public 30 minutes 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.

2. An allotted time at the beginning of each public meeting shall be granted by the chair. During this time citizens may address the council, commission, or committee with their remarks.

3. Discussion of agenda items during the business portion of the public meeting shall be confined to council, commission, and committee members unless the chair, with the approval by a majority of the council, commission, or committee members present, requests additional comments from the persons in attendance at the 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 a closing comments at the end of each public meeting shall be granted by the chair for each citizen of Cherokee Village wishing to address a public meeting prior to adjournment.

Moreover, citizens of Cherokee Village are encouraged to contact their municipal officials, committee, commission, and city council members on an individual basis for additional

clarification of civic issues and/or to provide information to these representatives, in order to promote more effective city government.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CHEROKEE VILLAGE CITY COUNCIL.

DATED: March 3, 2003

APPROVED: un Ray Maynard, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan E. Maynard, Clerk/Treasurer