

**Village of Innisfree
January 19, 2013 Council meeting
Procedure No: 1100-02
Public Input Policy**

Date Resolution Number Approved: March 20, 2013

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Policy Statement:

Innisfree Village Council wishes to provide an opportunity for the citizens of Innisfree to speak informally to Village Council as a whole.

1. THAT Innisfree Village Council will provide a 10-minute time slot at each regularly scheduled Council Meeting for citizens to speak to Council.
2. THAT the time slot for the public input section of Council Meetings will be consistently from 6:30 p.m. to 6:40 p.m.
3. THAT if no members of the public are in attendance at the Council Meeting at 6:30 p.m. the meeting will continue as usual.
4. THAT Innisfree Village Council values openness and transparency in the decision making process, and recognizes that public input adds legitimacy to Council's decisions.
5. THAT Innisfree Village Council recognizes the need for citizen input and for reciprocal dialogue between residents and taxpayers throughout Council's term of office.

AND ALSO;

6. THAT members of the public are to introduce new items to Council and not bring up past items (if paperwork is available, provide copies to the recording secretary).
7. THAT items cannot be on the current agenda.
8. THAT Council can make comments and ask for clarification.
9. THAT no debate will be allowed.
10. THAT session should not involve formal presentations (these are to be placed on a future agenda with copies to Council).
11. THAT Council can refer to Administration or defer for further review, consideration, and reply.

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Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to provide an opportunity for the public to speak informally to Village Council at regularly scheduled meetings.

12. End of Procedure.