

The City of Lee's Summit
Action Letter - Draft
City Council Rules Committee

Thursday, July 16, 2026

11:30 AM

Via Video Conference

Notice is hereby given that the Rules Committee for the City of Lee's Summit will meet on Thursday, July 16, 2026 at 11:30am via video conference as provided by Section 2-50 of Ordinance No. 9172. Persons wishing to comment on any item of business on the agenda, including public comments, via video conference may do so by sending a request prior to 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 15, 2026, to the City Clerk at clerk@cityofls.net to attend the meeting on the video conferencing platform. The meeting can be viewed on the City's YouTube Channel ([YouTube.com/@cityofls](https://www.youtube.com/@cityofls)), the City's website (WatchLS.net) and on various cable providers (Spectrum Channel 2 & Comcast Channel 7).

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Carlyle called the July 16, 2026, City Council Rules Committee meeting to order at 11:32 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Staff in Attendance:

Brian Head

Christal Weber

Jina Bellamy

Present: 4 - Chairperson Trish Carlyle
Vice Chair Mia Prier
Councilmember Melanie Adkins
Councilmember Nyauna Cravens

3. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

4. Approval of Agenda

Councilmember Prier made a motion to approve the July 16, 2026, City Council Rules Committee Agenda. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Cravens. Motion passed 4-0.

5. Business

- A. [2026-7723](#) Approval of the Action Letter for the June 18, 2026 City Council Rules Committee meeting.

Councilmember Prier made a motion to approve the June 18, 2026, City Council Rules Committee Action Letter. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Cravens. Motion passed 4-0.

B. [2026-7724](#) Discussion: Introduction to decorum

The Committee discussed the rules of decorum that are needed for all Council meetings, who the rules should apply to, and how they could be implemented. Members emphasized the importance of maintaining respectful conduct during meetings while recognizing the limitations on regulating public behavior outside of the meeting setting. The Committee also emphasized the importance of remembering that the Council serves the public.

After brief discussion, Consensus of the Committee was to direct Staff to prepare a draft document of public decorum rules, organized by subject, with proposed provisions under each topic ranging from least restrictive to most restrictive. Staff will bring the document back to the Committee at its next meeting for review and discussion. The Committee will then provide input on which provisions it supports and which it does not.

C. [2026-7722](#) Continued Discussion: Camera angles during public participation at Council meetings

The Committee continued its discussion on camera angles. Ms. Christal Weber shared that informal conversations with representatives from other cities indicated that many do not have camera-angle requirements.

The Committee also discussed whether the City should follow the School Board's practice of showing the backs of public speakers. Other considerations included turning cameras off during public comment, addressing concerns from individuals who do not want to appear on camera, and preventing the use of City resources for personal gain.

After brief discussion, Staff was asked to continue researching how other cities regulate camera angles and report back at a future meeting.

6. Roundtable

The next Rules Committee meeting will be August 20, 2026 at 11:30 via zoom. The only agenda discussion item will be: Continued Discussion on Decorum.

7. Adjournment

Chairperson Carlyle adjourned the July 16, 2026, City Council Rules Committee meeting at 12:42 p.m.

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