

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

Thursday, June 18, 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, June 18, 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, June 17, 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](https://www.watchls.net)) and on various cable providers (Spectrum Channel 2 & Comcast Channel 7).

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Carlyle called the June 18, 2026, City Council Rules Committee meeting to order at 11:37 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Staff in attendance:

Megan Dillard -Director of Creative Services
Brian Head
Christal Weber
Jina Bellamy

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

3. Approval of Agenda

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

Aye: 4 - Chairperson Carlyle
Vice Chair Prier
Councilmember Adkins
Councilmember Cravens

4. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

5. Business

- A. [2026-7479](#) Approval of the Action Letter for the February 13, 2026 City Council Rules Committee meeting.

Councilmember Prier made a motion to approve the February 13, 2026, City Council Rules Committee Action Letter. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Cravens. Motion passed 4-0.

Aye: 4 - Chairperson Carlyle
Vice Chair Prier
Councilmember Adkins
Councilmember Cravens

B. [2026-7707](#) Discussion: Camera angles during public participation at Council meetings

City Attorney Brian Head gave an overview regarding camera angles in the Council Chambers. He mentioned that several weeks leading up to the April election, someone used the podium for campaign purposes and posted to Social media. Since using the podium for personal gain was not the intended purpose for the City's resources, the City Manager had the cameras moved to a different angle, showing the side and back of individuals speaking at the podium. Since then, there have been some questions regarding the angle of the camera and if it should be turned back toward the front of the speakers.

After some extensive discussion, Chairperson Carlyle summarized the Committee members viewpoints and then gave her own (see below).

- Councilmember Prier would like the camera's turned back around to show faces of the speakers on camera. She would also like this discussion to go to the full Council.
- Councilmember Adkins would like the cameras left the way they are and would like discussion to be held in Committee and not taken to the full Council.
- Councilmember Cravens is fine with having the cameras stay the way they are. She also doesn't believe that they should be used for political or personal use.
- Chairperson Carlyle doesn't believe it really affects the Council on how the cameras are turned. The public is still being heard. She also doesn't think the cameras should be used for political reasons. She believes at some point there will be a larger discussion with the full Council to discuss specific rules for political content usage and if

used inappropriately, how the Council would react and what would be the consequences. This would be discussed as part of the decorum conversation with a lot more information to review at that time.

Consensus of the Committee was to bring this item back to the Committee for further discussion prior to going to the full council.

It was also suggested to have the Committee email the Clerk@cityofls.net any public responses that Council received regarding the camera angle change. Once those are received, Brian Head will compile those comments for the packet for the next meeting.

- C. [2026-7708](#) Looking Ahead: Introduction to Rules Committee, Future Agenda Items and Priority Planning

Chairperson Carlyle informed the Committee of the following:

1. Attached to the packet is the newly updated April 2026 City Council Rules and Procedures Quick Reference Guide to use when needed. These are also provided in Council Chambers at each end of the dais.
2. The Committee members can call or email her if they have specific topics they would like to have discussed at a future Rules Committee meeting.
3. To respect the Committee members and Staffs schedules, the Rules Committee meetings will be limited to one hour.
4. Topic for next meeting: Continued Discussion of camera angles.

6. Roundtable

The next City Council Rules Committee meeting is scheduled on July 16, 2026.

7. Adjournment

Chairperson Carlyle adjourned the June 18, 2026, City Council Rules Committee meeting at 12:28 p.m.

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