

**CITY OF CHICAGO CITY COUNCIL**  
**RULES OF CONDUCT FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS**  
2023-2027

**Pursuant to the Chicago City Council Rules of Order and Procedure, Rule 49, the Sergeant-At-Arms sets forth the following rules of conduct to be followed during the public comment period and the duration of all committee and City Council meetings:**

- Profane, vulgar, threatening, abusive, or disruptive language is not permitted.
- Demeaning, discriminatory, or harassing behavior and speech directed towards others is not permitted.
- Disruptive behavior, including disruptive or disrespectful conduct during others' presentations, is not permitted.
- Banners, flyers, or signage are not permitted.
- Backpacks, large bags, and sharp objects are not permitted. Clear bags, not tinted in color, that do not exceed 12"x6"x12", will be permitted and are subject to search.
- Food and beverages, including in metal canisters, are not permitted.
- Cell phones must be placed on silent prior to entering the meeting room.
- Individuals must remain seated. Public comment speakers are permitted to stand only when providing public comment.
- Small hand-held devices may be used only while seated and the user must refrain from interfering with the view or hearing of other individuals.

**Individuals or groups failing to adhere to these rules will be asked to cease such disruptive conduct and failure to comply will result in their being subject to removal from the meeting by the Sergeant-At-Arms.**