

**CITY OF BOULDER PLANNING BOARD  
VIRTUAL MEETING GUIDELINES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Board must have a quorum (four members present) before the meeting can be called to order.

**AGENDA**

The Board may rearrange the order of the agenda or delete items for good cause. The Board may not add items requiring public notice.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The public is welcome to address the Board (3 minutes\* maximum per speaker) during the Public Participation portion of the meeting regarding any item not scheduled for a public hearing. The only items scheduled for a public hearing are those listed under the category PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS on the Agenda. **Any exhibits introduced into the record must be provided to the Board Secretary for distribution to the Board and admission into the record via email 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting time.**

**DISCUSSION AND STUDY SESSION ITEMS**

Discussion and study session items do not require motions of approval or recommendation.

**PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

A Public Hearing item requires a motion and a vote. The general format for hearing of an action item is as follows:

**1. Presentations**

- Staff presentation (10 minutes maximum\*).
- Applicant presentation (15-minute maximum\*). Any exhibits introduced into the record at this time must be provided to the Board Secretary for distribution to the Board and admission into the record.
- Planning Board questioning of staff or applicant for information only.

**2. Public Hearing**

Each speaker will be allowed an oral presentation (3 minutes maximum\*). The pooling of time will not be allowed.

- Speakers should introduce themselves, giving name and address. If officially representing a group, homeowners' association, etc., please state that for the record as well.
- The board requests that, prior to offering testimony, the speaker disclose any financial or business relationship with the applicant, the project, or neighbors. This includes any paid compensation. It would also be helpful if the speaker disclosed any membership or affiliation that would affect their testimony.
- Speakers are requested not to repeat items addressed by previous speakers other than to express points of agreement or disagreement. Refrain from reading long documents and summarize comments wherever possible. Long documents may be submitted via email 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting time and will become a part of the official record.
- Speakers should address the Land Use Regulation criteria and, if possible, reference the rules that the Board uses to decide a case.
- Any exhibits introduced into the record at the hearing must be emailed to the Secretary for distribution to the Board and admission into the record **24 hours prior to the meeting**.
- Citizens can email correspondence to the Planning Board and staff at [boulderplanningboard@bouldercolorado.gov](mailto:boulderplanningboard@bouldercolorado.gov), up to **24 hours prior to the Planning Board meeting**, to be included as a part of the record.
- Applicants under Title 9, B.R.C. 1981, will be provided the opportunity to speak for up to 3 minutes prior to the close of the public hearing. The board chair may allow additional time.

**3. Board Action**

- Board motion. Motions may take any number of forms. With regard to a specific development proposal, the motion generally is to either approve the project (with or without conditions), to deny it, or to continue the matter to a date certain (generally in order to obtain additional information).
- Board discussion. This is undertaken entirely by members of the Board. The applicant, members of the public or city staff participate only if called upon by the Chair.
- Board action (the vote). An affirmative vote of at least four members of the Board is required to pass a motion approving any action. If the vote taken results in either a tie, a vote of three to two, or a vote of three to one in favor of approval, the applicant shall be automatically allowed a rehearing upon requesting the same in writing within seven days.

**MATTERS FROM THE PLANNING BOARD, DIRECTOR, AND CITY ATTORNEY**

Any Planning Board member, the Planning Director, or the City Attorney may introduce before the Board matters which are not included in the formal agenda.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Board's goal is that regular meetings adjourn by 10:30 p.m. and that study sessions adjourn by 10:00 p.m. Agenda items will not be commenced after 10:00 p.m. except by majority vote of Board members present.

**VIRTUAL MEETINGS**

For Virtual Meeting Guidelines, refer to <https://bouldercolorado.gov/government/board-commission/planning-board> page for the approved Planning Board's Rules for Virtual Meetings.

\*The Chair may lengthen or shorten the time allotted as appropriate. If the allotted time is exceeded, the Chair may request that the speaker conclude his or her comments