



Town of Dumfries
Council Meeting

Meeting Date: July 10, 2012

Agenda Item# X - A

AGENDA ITEM FORM

TYPE OF AGENDA ITEM:

- CONSENT AGENDA
- PRESENTATION
- ACTION ITEM
- TOWN MANAGER & STAFF COMMENTS
- PUBLIC HEARING
 - Duly Advertised

PURPOSE OF ITEM:

- INFORMATION ONLY
- DISCUSSION ONLY
- DISCUSSION AND/OR DECISION
 - Introduction Resolution
 - Ordinance Grant/MOU
 - By Motion Bylaws
 - Certificate

PRESENTER: G.M. Foreman

PRESENTER TITLE: Mayor

AGENDA ITEM: Citizen's being allowed to address anything on or off the Agenda.

BACKGROUND / SUMMARY:

There is already a place on the Council Agenda for Citizen Comments. Citizens have three minutes and Organizations have five minutes. I am not asking for this slot to change. I am not asking to allow citizens to talk and address subjects during the meeting other than at their allotted Citizen Comment Period at the beginning of the meeting.

At the start of the meeting, after approval of the Consent Agenda, the public will be invited to comment on any item to include items on that meeting's agenda. This allows citizens an opportunity to address agenda items before Council takes action on them.

As fellow citizens of our Town, citizen input and comments should be valuable to the Council and staff. In the best interest of time, Citizens Comments is scheduled at the beginning of each meeting.

Traditionally, Citizens Comment Period is not a dialogue. Rather, it is an opportunity to be heard by the Council and staff regarding issues of concern. Citizens should not expect this to be an opportunity for a two-way conversation.

Due to the necessity of efficiently running a meeting with a set agenda, there is not an expectation for the Council to be able to address a Citizen's concern immediately. Rather, expect that the concern will be recorded and an effort will be made to address it in the near future. However, it is possible that a Citizen will receive an immediate response to their concern(s) or comment(s).

ATTACHMENTS:

REQUESTED ACTION:

NO ACTION REQUESTED

A vote to be taken to modify current Council policy to allow citizens the opportunity to comment on any item to include items on that meeting's agenda.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

Phone#:

Name:

E-mail:

FOR USE DURING MEETING

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VOTE:

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