

Suggested Board Member Amendment:

Revise Appendix C – Section III.E – *Public Comment – State and Federal Representatives*

Item 6 in this section shall be amended from:

“Officials and/or candidates may not speak during the 90 days preceding a primary or general election, for which he/she is on the ballot”

to:

“Officials and/or candidates that speak within the 90-day time frame preceding a primary or general election, for which they are on the ballot, shall not use the opportunity to campaign for the pending election or mention they are a candidate”

Example:

E. Public Comment - State and Federal Representatives:

An opportunity to address the Board will be provided to representatives of state and federal government subject to the following constraints:

1. Comments must be of an informative, not political nature.
2. The request to speak must specify the topic(s) to be addressed.
3. Scheduling of speakers is at the discretion of the Chair of the County Board who will consider flow of business in determining whether to grant a particular speaking request.
4. Comments are subject to 5-minute time limitations (excluding questions and answers).
5. Officials may address the board once within a 12-month period.
6. Officials and/or candidates that speak within the 90-day time frame preceding a primary or general election, for which they are on the ballot, shall not use the opportunity to campaign for the pending election or mention they are a candidate. ~~Officials and/or candidates may not speak during the 90 days preceding a primary or general election, for which he/she is on the ballot.~~
7. These guidelines only apply to scheduled appearances. Officials speaking under “Public Comment” are subject to the same speaking guidelines imposed upon the general public.