



# City of Yamhill

A small taste of Oregon

The five P's of effective meetings:

## **Purpose · Planning · Preparation · Participation · Progress**

In partnership with all community members, the City of Yamhill has embraced a vision for productive and inclusive civic conversations. This vision supports physical and emotional safety for everyone, as well as promoting equality for all people. The City of Yamhill will take steps to uphold this vision as we gather together in civic dialogue to conduct city business.

In recognition of the fact that public meetings are a prominent place for the public to share concerns with their governing leaders, the public will have the opportunity to speak at the beginning of the City Council Meetings. Individual public comments will have the opportunity to speak for three minutes, and community groups will have the opportunity to speak for five minutes during the public comment time.

### **Rules of Decorum**

No person(s) or group(s) shall be allowed to engage in unnecessary conversations, make unnecessary noise, engage in disorderly, disruptive, disturbing behavior, or make personally offensive or slanderous remarks, or actions that are boisterous, threatening or personally abusive in nature, such as, but not limited to, unnecessary handclapping, stomping of feet, whistling, or use of profane language or obscene gestures, yelling, engaging in violent or distracting action, conduct resulting in the intentional injury of persons, furnishings or of the interior of the Council chambers or similar demonstrations, which conduct substantially interrupts, delays, or disturbs the peace and good of the order.

These rules of decorum also apply to those in attendance in a remote setting.

After being warned by Council, failure to comply to these rules may result in the mayor or a designee asking the noncompliant person to remove themselves from the meeting or end their connection when attendance is in a virtual setting. If the noncompliant person fails to leave as requested, they may be escorted from the meeting or disconnected from their virtual connection at the request of the mayor or designee.

Respectfully,  
Mayor Potter & City Council