



CITY OF MELISSA PUBLIC MEETING RULES OF CITIZEN AND VISITOR DECORUM

Citizens and other visitors attending Melissa city council meetings and other City of Melissa public meetings shall at all times conduct themselves with decorum and with respect for the proceedings, the public officials, and those persons present. Any person who makes abusive, disrespectful, indecent, irrelevant, profane or slanderous remarks or who becomes boisterous while addressing the city council or while attending a city council meeting shall be removed from the room if the city manager, or his designee, is so directed by the presiding officer or by city council action. The person shall be barred from further audience before the city council for the remainder of the meeting.

Remarks from unrecognized speakers, stamping of feet, whistles, yells, and similar disruptive behavior shall not be permitted by the presiding officer, who may direct the city manager, or his designee, to remove such persons from the room. Signs and placards shall not be permitted in the city council chambers. Aggravated cases and behavior constituting the elements of Hindering Proceedings by Disorderly Conduct, Disorderly Conduct, or disrupting the Meeting or Procession shall be prosecuted on appropriate complaint in accordance with the law. These rules are not intended to infringe on any lawful expression of free speech by any person.