



The Metropolitan Human Relations Commission will reserve time for Public Comment during all meetings. The meetings are held monthly on the first Monday of each month at 4pm at the Howard Office Building unless otherwise specified. Pursuant to Section 8-44-112 of the Tennessee Code Annotated, it is the responsibility of MHRC to formulate policies and procedures necessary to facilitate the public comment period, including access to language interpretation and other related accessibility needs. The information below pertains specifically to the Public Comment period during Commission meetings.

Submission of Public Comments

- You may email your public comments if you cannot attend the public comment period at the scheduled meeting. Comments must be emailed by 12:00 pm the Friday prior to the meeting to mhrc@nashville.gov. Please include your name and address and the name of the organization if you are speaking on their behalf.

Public Comment Procedures

Public Comment is limited to 10 minutes total during Commissioners meetings.

- Each speaker is allowed up to 2 minutes to speak; time can be extended at the discretion of the Chair.

- Public comments must be germane to a matter listed on the Commission meeting agenda or the general mission of the MHRC.
- For persons wishing to speak, a physical sign-up sheet will be available on the day of scheduled meetings. Please sign up upon arrival.
- Any written materials such as handouts and/or other literature should be emailed to the MHRC for approval by Friday at 12pm prior to the meeting. These items must contain the speaker's name, date, organization name (if applicable), telephone number, and address.
- All speakers and members of the public are asked to be respectful. The Commission Chair has discretion to end a speaker's time if speakers are disruptive or off topic.
- Suspension of the rules is allowable when additional speakers or additional time are needed.
- Persons needing interpretation services and/or accessibility accommodations should contact 615-880-3370 or mhrc@nashville.gov.