

Anderson County Charter Commission

Rules of Procedure

- Rule I** No member of Charter Commission shall speak more than twice nor more than three minutes on the same motion—except the maker of the motion, who shall have the right to answer questions. The maker of the motion shall have the right to make closing comments prior to taking the vote on such motion. However, by majority vote, Charter Commission may extend the length of time and the number of times a member may speak on a given motion. Asking a question regarding the motion does not count as a Charter Commissioner’s time to speak on the motion.
- Rule II** Citizens and public officials will be allowed to address Charter Commission, subject to the conditions in Rule III, on items on the agenda as the item is brought forth during the meeting. Citizens and public officials may speak once on each item and will have up to three minutes to speak. Groups will be encouraged to select a spokesperson to present a comment from the group.
- Rule III** Comments by Charter Commissioners, public officials, and citizens must be professional and respectful and must refrain from outbursts, profanity, questioning motives, and personal attacks. The Chair can limit comments to those relevant to the item to be voted on and can stop inappropriate, disruptive, or overly repetitive speakers.
- Rule IV** A roll call shall be required on final charter item(s).
- Rule V** The Charter Commission Chair is authorized to take a position on any issue brought before the commission and to vote on any motion, or other action , before Commission. This is a deviation from Roberts Rules of Order.