

**CITY OF GOLD BAR, WASHINGTON
ORDINANCE #759**

**AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GOLD BAR, WASHINGTON, AMENDING TITLE 2 RELATING
TO AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION DURING COUNCIL MEETINGS**

WHEREAS, the City of Gold Bar required citizens to state their name and address during the citizen comment portion of council meetings; and

WHEREAS, the council meeting process has changed significantly since COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, due to recent legislative changes, citizens are no longer required to state their address; and

WHEREAS, due to COVID-19, meetings are now held in a hybrid format;

NOW THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF GOLD BAR ORDAINS that Gold Bar Municipal Code Title 2.04, City Council shall be amended as follows:

Section I, Title 2.04.010(B) – Audience Participation During Meetings

Section II, Severability

Section III, Effective Date

Section I, Title 2.04.010(B) – Audience participation during meetings

B. (3) Persons addressing the city council will be requested to ~~step to the podium and~~ give their name and address for the record. All remarks will be addressed to the council as a whole. No one will be allowed to make personal, impertinent, slanderous, or abusive remarks while addressing the council, and anyone who does so or who becomes boisterous, threatening, or personally abusive will be stopped from speaking. Anyone addressing the council who does not stop speaking when asked to do so by the mayor or other chairperson of the meeting shall be considered a disorderly person and subject to removal from the meeting and arrested for disorderly conduct.

Section II, Severability

This ordinance is severable and if any portion of it shall be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining portion shall remain valid and enforceable.

Section III, Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect from, and after, its passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

Passed by the City Council of the City of Gold Bar this _____ day of _____, 2022.

Attest: _____, Lisa Stowe, Clerk/Treasurer

Attest: _____, Steve Yarbrough, Mayor