Montgomery County Election Public Comment Policy

The Montgomery County Election Commission adopts the public comment policy below on October 3, 2023. This policy is subject to change as needed and changes require a majority vote of the Election Commission for adoption.

The Public Comment Policy for the Montgomery County Election Commission includes:

- (a) The period for public comment will be listed as the first item on the agenda pursuant to Tennessee law that states the purpose of the period is to provide the public with the opportunity to comment on matters that are germane to items on the agenda.
- (b) The Commission shall allow a maximum of 10 people to speak during the public comment period. The Election Commission will take all practicable steps to ensure that opposing viewpoints are represented fairly including giving each view point an equal number of speakers, if any. No more than five speakers for a single view point will be allowed.
- (c) The Commission will provide each person with a maximum of 5 minutes to speak during the public comment period.
- (d) The Commission will utilize a physical sign-up sheet to be made available before the meeting begins for any person who wants to provide comments to the Election Commission. The sign-up sheet will include the name, address, topic on the agenda the speaker wishes to address, and whether the speaker is for or against the agenda item, if applicable. Speakers must be signed up at least 24 hours prior to the meeting to be allowed to speak.