

How to Participate at a Board of Zoning Adjustment Public Hearing

What is the Board of Zoning Adjustment?

The Board of Zoning Adjustment (BOZA) is made of 7 individuals appointed by the Mayor. The purpose of the Board is to guide economic growth and physical development within Louisville Metro, consistent with Plan 2040, to assure the health, safety, and general welfare of all members of the community, like you!



Why was I invited?

Because your opinion matters! You are a community member that may be affected by a proposed development being discussed at today's hearing. The Board of Zoning Adjustment wants to hear your input to help guide their decision on proposed developments.

Do you have the staff report?

Make sure you have a copy of the staff report! This document details the Office of Planning's staff analysis and summary of each case. You can view a digital version by using the link or QR code to the right.

Want to participate?

Fill out a [speaker form](#) if you would like to give your testimony to the Board at the hearing. You are required to disclose your name and address (mailing preferred) before giving your testimony.

Order of Events for Each Case

1. Staff member will present a summary of the case
2. The applicant or representative for those in support will speak | **15 minutes**
3. Others in support will speak | **3 minutes each**
4. A representative for those in opposition will speak | **15 minutes**
5. Other in opposition will speak | **3 minutes each**
6. The support representative will be provided an opportunity for rebuttal of any comments made during public testimony | **5 minutes**
7. The Board will discuss and take action



How to Provide Good Testimony

To most effectively participate in a public hearing, ask yourself these questions:

1. How will the proposed project impact public health, safety, or welfare?
 2. How does the proposal change the physical character of the area?
 3. Is the proposal Consistent with Plan 2040?
- Does it promote **Connected, Healthy, Authentic, Sustainable, and Equitable** growth and development?

Answers to these questions will help provide the most effective testimony when called by the Commission to speak.



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Please Be Respectful

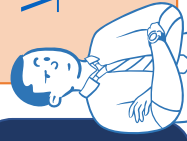
When providing testimony or waiting for your case, please refrain from insulting, heckling, or arguing with the Board members, staff, applicant, or other members of the public. If you need to have a conversation, please do so in the lobby.

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