

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

A *public comment* period is scheduled during each meeting for anyone wishing to address the Board on topics or issues not on the meeting's agenda. On agenda topics, the Board takes comments before proceeding to the next item, except Work Session items. The Board cannot consider testimony if the topic to be addressed has had a public hearing, and that comment period has closed.

A time period of **three minutes** will be allotted to each individual. The individual testimony period is flexible and can be extended, based upon the number of people wishing to comment. Those wishing to comment must **sign-in** on the sheet provided at the Information Table located near the meeting room's entrance.

Individuals may request additional time for testimony by contacting the Board Support office [503-945-7210] at least two days in advance of the meeting. In fairness to others, groups are encouraged to consolidate their comments and have one or two spokespersons present the remarks on behalf of the group.

The maximum amount of time for all public comments under this agenda item will be **thirty minutes**.

Written comments provide a valuable reference and may be submitted prior to, or during, the meeting for consideration. Written comments received prior to the meeting will be copied and distributed to the Board. Otherwise, please bring 10 copies of your comments to give to the Board during your testimony. A copy of written comments will be included in the minutes of the meeting; oral comments will be summarized.