

**TOWNSHIP OF ROCKAWAY  
COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**ORDINANCE NO. O-22-01**

**AMENDING CHAPTER 2 (ADMINISTRATIVE CODE), ARTICLE 3, SECTION 2-5.14  
(ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL) OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF  
THE TOWNSHIP OF ROCKAWAY, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40:48-2 permits a municipality to make and amend an ordinance as it may deem necessary and proper for good government, order, and protection of persons and property, and for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the municipality and its inhabitants; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Rockaway (“Township”) desires to amend Chapter 2, Article 3, Section 2-5.14 (Addressing the Council), to provide for more orderly and efficient meetings of the Council and to maximum the number of members of the public who may wish to address the Council;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Council of the Township of Rockaway, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1.**

§2-5.14 (Addressing the Council) shall be amended to read as follows: Any person desiring to address the Council shall first seek recognition by the presiding officer. A portion of all regular and special public meetings shall be open for public comment. Upon recognition by the chair, all persons desiring to address the Council shall provide their name and address in an audible tone of voice. Unless further time is granted by the presiding officer, any statement by a member of the public during the regular public portion of any Council meeting shall be limited to three minutes. Any person desiring to address the Council outside of the public portion of any Council meeting in connection with the adoption of an ordinance or when otherwise required by applicable law shall, after recognition by the presiding officer, limit any statement to two minutes unless further time is granted by the presiding officer. All statements shall be addressed to the Council as a body through the presiding officer and not to any individual Council member. A Council member shall not engage in colloquy with a member of the public without recognition by the presiding officer.

**SECTION 2.**

This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and approval in accordance with law.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Christina Clipperton, Township Clerk of the Township of Rockaway, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of an Ordinance introduced by the Township Council of the Township of Rockaway at a duly convened

meeting held on January 3, 2022, and adopted at a duly convened meeting held on January 18, 2022.

  
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Joe Jackson, Acting Mayor

  
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Christina Clipperton, Township Clerk

  
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Jonathan Sackett, Council Vice President

**PURPOSE**

This ordinance is being amended to provide for more orderly and efficient meetings of the Council and to maximum the number of members of the public who may wish to address the Council;

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
D. Brookes			X			
R. Brookes			X			
E. Friedlander		X	X			
H. Kritz			X			
M. Noon			X			
A. Salberg			X			
J. Quinn	X		X			
J. Sackett			X			