

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Suggestion is to develop a policy to standardize and provide for public comment during any/all meetings of a Council Standing Committee, e.g. F&A, PH&S, PPW, and PR&A.

### **Purpose:**

To encourage and allow meaningful, effective, and timely exchange of information and perspectives between residents and council members during council committee meetings. Concurrently, it is not intended that non-productive prolonging of the duration of Council committee meetings be allowed.

Chesterfield City Council Members wish to encourage and solicit public input into the decision making process, and

Members of the public may have additional information previously unknown to members of council, and

The Mayor and Council Members wish to create a welcoming and inclusive culture and atmosphere within the City of Chesterfield;

Members of the public should be allowed and encouraged to ask questions and provide relevant information to agenda items during meetings of Council Standing Committee meetings.