

# New Meeting Schedule & Rules

## Important Things to Know

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- **The Board of Commissioners Meeting is THE meeting when resolutions and policies are introduced, debated, and voted on.** The vast majority of resolutions and policies will still be read twice at consecutive meetings before any vote happens to allow time for public and commissioner review.
  - **The Board of Commissioners Meeting will always start at 7pm.** Previously, due to the Ways and Means Committee Meeting happening directly before the Board Meeting, the actual Board meeting didn't have a specific start time, which could confuse people wishing to participate.
  - **Public Comment at the Board of Commissioners Meeting has NOT changed.** You will still have 3 minutes to speak and are not limited to topic.
  - Working Session is still focused on informal discussions, updates, and reports for the Board of Commissioners. **No action will be taken by the Board at this meeting.**
  - Due to the need to stay on schedule for the Board meeting and previously low participation, public comment at Working Session has been reduced to one minute per person. **Members of the public are encouraged to come to the full Board meeting or use the new public comment portal on the Board's Website if they wish to offer longer public comment.**
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*These changes to the structure of Board of Commissioners meetings are intended to improve accessibility and help the public more effectively engage with decisions being made by their County Government. The Board is open to amending these changes if we find that improvements need to be made to better support public access and engagement.*