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RES 32029 – General Rules and Procedures

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Interjections During Deliberations

Beginning on p. 43 of Attachment 1 to Resolution 32029, make the following changes to Section XI. Public Participation and Access:

H. Public Access to CMs and Offices.

- 1. No individual other than the Legislative Department staff may approach the CMs or the Clerks while the Council or a committee is in session, unless permitted to do so by the President or Chair.
- 2. During committee meetings and Council Briefing meetings, no persons other than Legislative Department staff shall join the prescribed forum, unless specifically invited by the committee Chair to provide information necessary to committee business. Once a motion is made and seconded, no person other than a CM or, as allowed by the CM serving as the Chair, Legislative Department staff, may speak.
- 3. Physical access to CM office areas is limited and provided only in accordance with established policies and procedures of the Legislative Department.
- 4. Individuals desiring to electronically tape (audio, video, etc.) or photograph a CM or CMs within the CM office area(s) may only do so with the permission of the respective CM(s) or their respective staff members, when so delegated.
- 5. Access by media shall be in accordance with Legislative Department policy.
- 6. The presiding officer or designee may temporarily suspend or modify this Rule XI.H to protect the safe and responsible functioning of the Council.

Effect: This amendment would more explicitly provide the Chair of a Committee with the power to determine whether Legislative Staff can address Committees and Council Briefing sessions during consideration of a motion that has been duly made and seconded. This amendment would create a new rule that presenters who are not Legislative Staff are not allowed to address Committees and Council Briefings during consideration of a motion that has been duly made and seconded.

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