RESOLUTION NO. 2025- 58

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PLANTERSVILLE, TEXAS, ADOPTING RULES REGARDING THE PUBLIC'S RIGHT TO ADDRESS THE GOVERNING BODY OF A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION AT AN OPEN MEETING OF THE BODY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PLANTERSVILLE, TEXAS:

<u>Section 1</u>. The following rules are established for the conduct of City of Plantersville Board meetings:

- of any public meeting requiring an agenda and there shall be included on the agenda an explanation of the opportunity to speak and the rules that govern said speaking. If the "Public Comments" agenda item and the explanation of the same are present on the agenda and called in due order as the agenda progresses, that opportunity shall preempt any further right to speak on any item when it comes up as the agenda progresses after the "Public Comments" opportunity was permitted for those wishing to speak;
- (2) Citizens shall comply with these rules if the following language has been posted on the agenda:

"Please note that due to Open Meetings Act regulations, the Board cannot deliberate on non-agenda items raised during this time. Such items may be scheduled for a future meeting if Board action is required. Comments should be directed to the entire Board, not individual members. Engaging in verbal attacks or comments intended to insult, abuse, malign or slander any

individual shall be cause for termination of speaking privileges and expulsion from chambers. Your comments are limited to two (2) minutes."

- (3) The Board expects any citizen to speak in a civil manner, with due respect for the decorum of the meeting, and with due respect for all persons attending;
- (4) Any citizen may speak up to but not more than two (2) minutes;
- (5) The City may not prohibit public criticism of the governing body including criticism of any act, omission, policy, procedure, program or service but does not apply to public criticism that is otherwise prohibited by law; and
- (6) A citizen of the public requiring translation assistance through a translator shall be allowed such assistance as stated in Section 551.007 of the Government Code.

Section 2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 2/day of July, 2025.

APPROVED:

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ATTEST:

City Secretary