Public Hearing Format for Land Use Hearings
Before the Lyons Planning Commission

A. Opening of the Public Hearing & Rules of Conduct
   Chairperson
B. Declarations of Ex Parte Contact, Conflicts of Interest or Bias
C. Applicant’s Presentation of the Application
D. Staff Report
   Planning Consultant for the City
E. Proponent’s Testimony (Persons in Favor)
F. Opponent’s Testimony (Persons Opposed)
G. General Testimony of Individuals or Organizations
H. Questions of Clarification from the Planning Commission and Staff
I. Applicant’s Summary and Rebuttal
J. Staff Summary
K. Close of Public Hearing

Planning Commission Deliberation & Decision

*No public testimony is permitted during the Planning Commission’s deliberation. The Planning Commission will normally make a recommendation or a decision on an issue following a public hearing, but may continue their deliberation to either a special meeting or the next regular meeting of the Planning Commission.*

Guidelines for Public Testimony:

The Chair of the Planning Commission, as presiding officer, will recognize all speakers. If you wish to testify during the public hearing, please assist the Chairperson by abiding by the following rules:

1. State your name and address.
2. Indicate whether you support the application, oppose the application or wish to offer general testimony. Provide factual evidence and direct your testimony to the decision criteria.
3. Please keep your testimony brief and to the point. Limit comments to 3-5 minutes per person.
4. Direct any questions you have to the Chairperson. The Chairperson will direct your question to the applicant, city staff or other person who may be able to provide an answer.
5. The Chairperson may limit testimony when it is cumulative, repetitive, irrelevant or immaterial to the issues being considered.