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## CITIZENS' RIGHT TO ADDRESS COUNCIL CITY OF WAUSAU

## **RULE 16**

- A. <u>Right Declared</u>. A citizen may address the council under either or both of the following council rules:
  - 1. Rule 5 (12), comments and suggestions from citizens present:
  - 2. Rule 5 (5), provided the following conditions are met:
    - a. The citizen registers with the clerk before the meeting is called to order, and indicates his or her interest to address the council; and
    - b. The citizen's comments relate to a matter on the agenda for that meeting.
- B. <u>Time Limit</u>. Except for informational and public hearing, speakers shall be limited to three minute addresses unless the council consents, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present to extend the time.
- C. <u>Other Restrictions</u>. If the presiding officer decides that the comments are not relevant or are abusive, the presiding officer may:
  - 1. Order the citizen to modify his or her comments;
  - 2. Order the citizen to refrain from speaking;
  - 3. Order the citizen to leave the council chambers;
  - 4. Take such other steps as may be necessary to ensure the efficient conduct of the council's business.

If you wish to address the council, please complete this form and forward to the City Clerk, 407 Grant Street, Wausau, WI 54403, prior to the meeting.

	Date of Council meeting:
Print Name:	
City/State/Zip:	
Phone Number:	
Agenda item (be specific):	
File Number:	

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