BRIDGES OF COLORADO COMMISSION

POLICY ON PUBLIC COMMENT

ARTICLE I: AUTHORITY

The Bridges of Colorado Commission ("Commission") believes that information from the public is important to further the mission of the Office and achieve success for its clients. To that end, but also to ensure that Commission business may be completed in a timely manner, the Commission originally adopted a Policy on Public Comment at its publicly noticed meeting held March 25, 2024. This is a written promulgation of that policy.

ARTICLE II: PUBLIC COMMENT GUIDELINES

The Commission will set aside 15 minutes for public comment at the end of its regular meetings, unless in the discretion of the Chair, or as publicly noticed, the comment period is moved to another time on the agenda to accommodate invited speakers/staff members, public attendance, or for other reasons as appropriate.

At each meeting, the Commission will provide a sign-in sheet for individuals to provide public comment. The individual must provide his/her name, organization represented (if applicable), and topic on which the individual would like to speak. This information will assist the Chair of Commission, as well as provide accurate records.

The Chair is authorized to extend the public comment period, if necessary.

Each member of the public may be limited to three minutes for comment. Individuals with communications-related disabilities shall receive appropriate time accommodations.

Public comment is on a first-come, first-served, sign-in sheet basis.

Members of the public are prohibited from deferring his/her time to others.

Members of the public may comment on any topic, regardless of whether such topic is on the agenda; and

The Chair is authorized to terminate public comment if a person is harassing, intimidating, or disrupting.

ARTICLE III: **AMENDMENTS**

Procedures. This policy may be amended or repealed, in whole or in part, by a majority vote at any publicly noticed meeting of the Commission and shall be effective upon adoption or amendment.

Distribution. The latest version of this policy shall be made available to the public via the Bridges of Colorado website.

History. Adopted and approved effective this 25th day of March, 2024.

BRIDGES OF COLORADO COMMISSION:

Commission Chair

Commission Vice-Chair