## Rule 40 of the Rules of Procedure and Paragraph 39 of the Finance Committee Procedure

### Rule of 40 of the Rules of Procedure

# 40. Adjournment of Debate or of Proceedings of a Committee of the Whole Council

- (1) A Member who has risen to speak on a question in the Council may move without notice that the debate be now adjourned. Thereupon the President shall propose the question on that motion.
- (2) When a motion that the debate be now adjourned has been agreed to, the debate on the question then before the Council shall stand adjourned and the Council shall proceed to the next item of business.
- (3) When a motion that the debate be now adjourned has been negatived, the debate on the question then before the Council shall be continued and no further motion that the debate be now adjourned shall be moved during that debate except by a designated public officer.
- (4) When the Council is in committee a Member may move without notice that further proceedings of the committee be now adjourned. Thereupon the Chairman shall propose the question on that motion. If the motion is agreed to, the Council shall resume; but if the motion is negatived, the committee shall continue its proceedings.

#### Paragraph 39 of the Finance Committee Procedure

#### **Rules of Speaking**

39. A member when speaking on a proposal in the Committee may move without notice that discussion on an item or further proceedings of the Committee be now adjourned. Thereupon the Chairman shall propose the question on the motion to adjourn [Rule 40]. A member, when speaking on the question, may not speak more than once [Rule 38] and shall not make a speech for longer than any time period as decided by the Committee, or where no such decision has been made, for more than three minutes. When no or no more member indicates his intention speak on the question, Chairman shall forthwith put the question on the motion to the Committee for its decision. No member may speak on the question after it has been put [Rule 33].

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- (5) It shall not be in order to move an amendment to a motion under the provisions of this Rule.
- in subrule (6A), a debate adjourned under the provisions of subrule (2) may be resumed at a subsequent meeting of the Council provided that the Member or public officer who moved the motion for that debate, or in the case of a debate on a bill, the Member or public officer in charge of the bill, shall give notice in writing to the Clerk of his intention to resume the debate not less than 5 clear days before the day on which the debate is to be resumed: (L.N. 107 of 1999)

Provided that the President may in his discretion dispense with such notice.

- A debate adjourned under the (6A) provisions of Rule 49B(2A) (Disqualification of Member from Office) shall be resumed at the earliest meeting of the Council at which normal business is transacted after the report investigation committee has been laid on the Table of the Council. (L.N. 107 of 1999)
- (7) Proceedings of a committee of the whole Council adjourned under the provisions of subrule (4) may be resumed at a subsequent meeting of the committee provided that the Member or public officer in charge of the bill to which the adjourned proceedings relate shall give notice in writing to the Clerk of his intention to resume the proceedings not less than 5 clear days before the day on which the proceedings are to be resumed:

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Provided that the Chairman may in his discretion dispense with such notice.  (8) The provisions of subrules (1), (2), (3), (4) and (5) shall apply to any debate or proceedings resumed under the provisions of subrules (6) and (7).	