

**Your Local Farmers Market Society
Vancouver Farmers Markets
Rules of Order**

“The object of Rules of Order is to facilitate the smooth functioning of the assembly and to provide a firm basis for resolving questions of procedure that may arise.”¹

Debate

- ❖ Speakers will address the Chair at all times and must be recognized before speaking. Upon recognition by the Chair, the speaker will state his or her name and, if representing an organization, the name of the organization.
- ❖ Only Members shall be entitled to the floor. No one may speak longer than two minutes at a time, or more than twice on the same question without permission of the Chair.
- ❖ All other speakers must obtain the permission of the Chair and then only to provide information.

Voting

- ❖ Members may vote in accordance with the bylaws of Your Local Farmers Market Society.
- ❖ Voting shall be in one of the following manners: by show of hands, roll call, or secret ballot.
- ❖ The Chair may designate any of the methods used.
- ❖ All voting on elections shall be by secret ballot.

General Rules

Robert’s Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall govern the meeting in all cases to which they are applicable, not specifically provided for in these Rules of Order and the bylaws of Your Local Farmers Market Society.

¹ From Robert’s Rules of Order Newly Revised, 9th Edition.