

263—9.11(368) Committee decision.

9.11(1) After the final public hearing and filing of briefs, the committee will meet to decide whether or not to approve the petition.

- a.* Notice of the meeting will be provided pursuant to subrule 9.2(4).
- b.* The committee may consider all information and arguments presented at the public hearing and in the briefs that were filed.
- c.* No additional oral or written testimony will be taken or considered.
- d.* The committee may conduct its deliberations in closed session pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5 but shall announce its decision in open session.
- e.* Within 90 days after the final public hearing, the committee shall approve or disapprove the petition or plan and shall file its written decision for record.
- f.* The committee may amend the petition or plan prior to approving it.
- g.* Decisions shall be in writing and rendered following the hearing. The decision shall include:
 - (1) Identification of parties and basic issues.
 - (2) Summary of findings of fact.
 - (3) Summary of conclusions of law.
 - (4) Ruling.
 - (5) Reasons for ruling.
 - (6) Order for implementation of the decision.

9.11(2) Committee decisions, orders or rulings shall be signed by the chairperson or the chairperson's authorized designee. Copies of the written decision shall be mailed to the parties.

9.11(3) A request for a decision that seeks only a change in the effective date shall be made by motion filed, served and acted upon in a like manner as other motions.

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