

public deliberation initiative

FORUM GROUND RULES

DELIBERATION IS NOT A DEBATE. *It is coming together to wrestle with tough questions, consider various perspectives and look for common ground.*

DELIBERATION IS ABOUT VALUES *and identifying what is important to us. It is NOT about debating facts or statistics.*

Everyone is expected to **BE FULLY PRESENT & TO ENGAGE** *in the deliberation -- your voice matters!*

No one or two individuals should dominate. Be intentional about
BOTH LISTENING & SPEAKING.

The discussion should focus on the approaches using the discussion guide provided as a
COMMON STARTING POINT.

All the major choices should be considered fairly and will be given
EQUAL TIME & CONSIDERATION.

**PLEASE MAINTAIN AN OPEN
AND RESPECTFUL
ATMOSPHERE.**