

RULES OF ORDER FOR THE CONDUCT OF CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

(Resolution No. 10643 (CCS))

Persons wishing to address the City Council regarding items on the agenda must be present and submit their name and address (optional) in writing to the City Clerk **before the public hearing is opened for that item**. Request-to-speak forms are available prior to the meeting and throughout the meeting. Remarks from the public are limited to a total of 6 minutes per Council meeting, with a maximum of 2 minutes and a minimum of one minute per item. Except for the author of the request, public comment on 12-items are limited to 1 minute.

ORDER OF BUSINESS (may not be changed except by majority vote of the City Council.)

1. Closed Session.
2. Special Agenda Items (commendation, presentations, Special Joint Meetings).
3. Consent Calendar (all items considered in one motion unless removed by a Councilmember for discussion. Public comment shall be heard prior to council discussion).
4. Study Session.
5. Continued Items.
6. Administrative Proceedings.
7. Ordinances:
 - 1st reading.
 - 2nd reading (no public discussion permitted).
8. Staff Administrative Item.
9. Public Hearings.
10. Reports of Boards and Commissions.
11. Resolutions.
12. Written Communications other than Reports of Commission and Officers.
13. Councilmember Discussion Items.
14. Public Input (members of the public may address the City Council **only** on items not on the agenda, but within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City)

ALL PERSONS ATTENDING PUBLIC MEETINGS IN SANTA MONICA SHOULD STRIVE TO:

STANDARDS OF BEHAVIOR THAT PROMOTE CIVILITY AT ALL PUBLIC MEETINGS:

1. Treat everyone courteously;
2. Listen to others respectfully;
3. Exercise self-control;
4. Give open-minded consideration to all viewpoints;
5. Focus on the issues and avoid personalizing debate;
6. Embrace respectful disagreement and dissent as democratic rights, inherent components of an inclusive public process, and tools for forging sound decisions.

Addressing the City Council: State your name, address (optional), and neighborhood for the record; address the City Council as a whole, not as individuals. Questions of Councilmembers or staff should not be asked without the permission of the presiding officer. Please be courteous.

Members of the audience: Please refrain from clapping, whistling, or acts of disorderly conduct; do not distribute literature without prior authorization of the presiding officer; remain seated unless addressing the City Council; do not stand or sit in aisles; do not enter the well area of the dais or go behind rails unless authorized by the presiding officer.

ONLY MATERIAL RECEIVED BY 4:30 PM THE EVENING OF THE COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO COUNCIL PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

City Hall and the Council Chamber are wheelchair accessible. If you require any special disability related accommodations (i.e. sign language interpreting, access to an amplified sound system, etc.), please contact the City Clerk's Office at (310) 458-8211 or TDD: (310) 917-6626 at least 3 days prior to the scheduled meeting. Translators can be provided if prior arrangements are made with the City Clerk's Office (310) 458-8211.

Si desea comunicarse con alguien en español, llame a nuestra oficina al (310) 458-8211 y pida hablar con Maria Stewart.

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