

MEETING RULES & GUIDELINES

- Moderators understand that many topics evoke strong emotions and reactions, abusive and/or bullying language, by any participating party towards another, is strongly discouraged. The purpose of this meeting is to facilitate productive dialogue on past issues and next steps.
- All public participants, Council members, City staff, and members of City leadership are encouraged to come prepared for thoughtful, meaningful, and direct dialogue on these complex and difficult issues.
- Comments or questions directed to Council Members & City staff, will be given an opportunity for response from respective parties.
- Participants are encouraged to ask questions and give comments in concise formats so that they may be directly addressed in dialogue.
- To ensure that as many people as possible have the opportunity to participate, each question or comment should not be duplicated by a previous question or comment.
- Members of the public wishing to participate in discussion are encouraged to select a spokesperson to represent coinciding viewpoints and concerns in order to facilitate timely and efficient discussion.
- During public input a group or individual may only be recognized once for discussion until all others wishing to participate have been given an opportunity to be recognized for discussion.
- Council Members and City staff will have an opportunity to generally respond, ask questions, or comment, before moving forward with discussion. Council Members and City staff should be mindful of time limitation as well. No participating parties from the public or Council Members and City staff can be required or compelled to answer or address a concern, question, or comment directed at them.
- Moderators will make every attempt to allow for as much public input and dialogue as possible. The rules listed here are subject to the discretion of the meeting Moderators and will be used as general guidelines to facilitate productive discussion.