

## Guide to City Council Meetings

### Regular City Council Meetings

Regular meetings of the City Council are held at 5:00 pm every Tuesday, except the last Tuesday of each month.

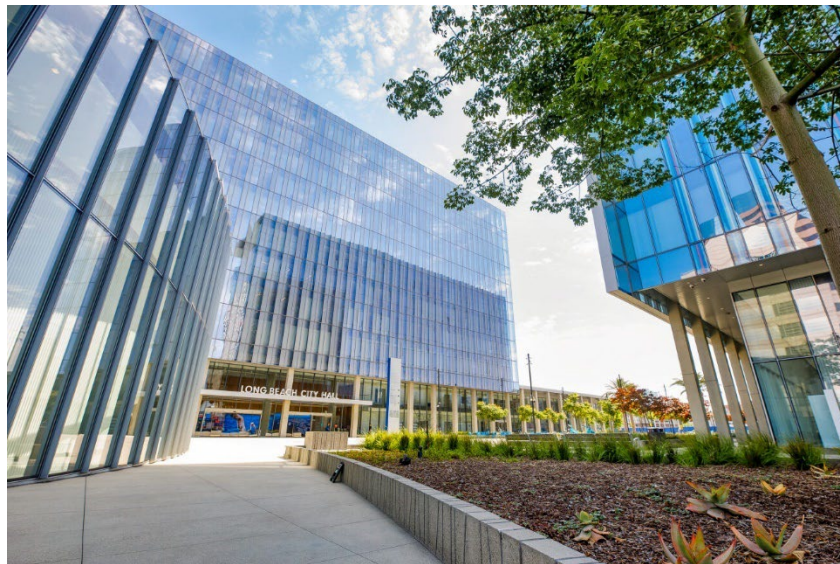
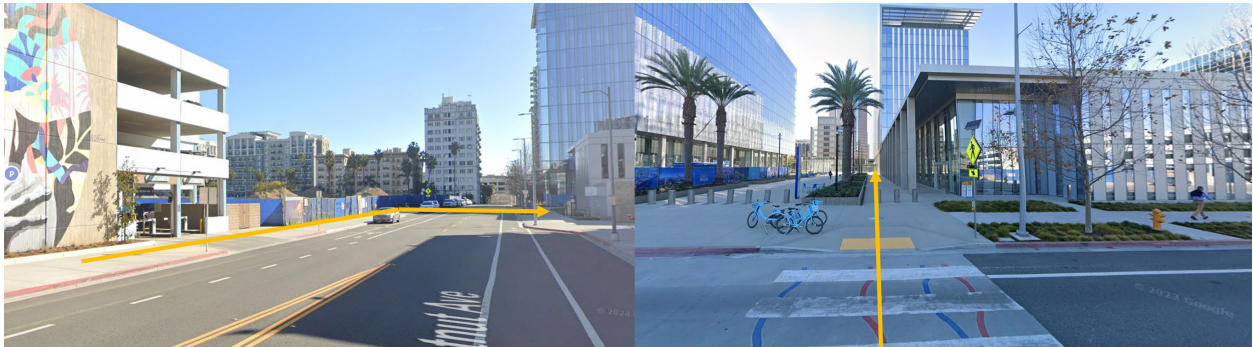
Special meetings of the City Council may be called by the Mayor or 5 members of the City Council. If a Special Meeting is called, notice is provided to the public stating the time, place, and business to be discussed. Study Sessions or Closed Sessions are considered special meetings and will be noticed 24 hours in advance.

### Getting to the City Council Meeting

Parking Structure Address: [332 W Broadway, Long Beach, CA 90802](#)

City Hall Address: [411 W Ocean Blvd, Long Beach, CA 90802](#)

Parking is free for City Council meetings.



## **Alternative Modes of Transportation**

Taking Public Transportation? [Plan your trip to City Hall here.](#)

Riding a bike, skateboard, or scooter? [Check out our Interactive Bike Route Map here.](#)

## **Security Procedures at City Council Meetings**

To help the City of Long Beach provide a safe platform, residents attending City Council meetings are required to enter through metal detectors and bags may be searched.

## **Decorum at City Council Meetings**

The City of Long Beach strives to make City Council meetings an inviting place for members of the public to have their voice heard. The City has established rules and guidelines to make sure the City can conduct business while having active public participation. [View the ordinance regarding disturbing Council meetings here.](#)

## **Where to Sit**

Members of the public may sit anywhere within the public seating area.



















## Where is the Agenda and When is it Posted



Agendas for meetings of the City Council, and its Boards, Commissions, and Committees, are posted on the OneMeeting public portal. [View the public portal here.](#)


1. To view and download agenda item attachments click on the HTML Agenda.

### Current And Upcoming Meetings

[View All Boards And Commissions](#) 

Meeting Title	Date/Time	Documents	Options
Board of Examiners Appeals and Condemnation - Cancelled	Sep 16, 2024 01:30 PM	 HTML Agenda  Agenda	
Government Operations and Efficiency Committee	Sep 17, 2024 03:45 PM	 HTML Agenda  Agenda	
Government Operations and Efficiency Committee (Attorney/Client)	Sep 17, 2024 04:00 PM	 HTML Agenda  Agenda	
City Council Special Meeting - Closed Session	Sep 17, 2024 04:15 PM	 HTML Agenda  Agenda	
City Council - Revised	Sep 17, 2024 05:00 PM	 HTML Agenda  Agenda	

2. Click on the item's recommendation to view the staff report and attachments. You will have the option to view attachments by clicking the eye icon  or download the attachment by clicking the cloud icon .

9. 24-54865 Recommendation to approve the minutes for the City Council meeting of Tuesday, September 3, 2024 

**Office or Department:** City Clerk

**Suggested Action:** Approve recommendation.

  [091724-Consent Calendar-9-staff report](#)

  [091724-Consent Calendar-9-attachment](#) 

The City Council agenda for regularly scheduled meetings are posted on Monday the week prior to the City Council meeting. This provides time for the Councilmembers and the public to review and research the Council items, engage with neighbors and constituents, and attend the Council meeting prepared to have a discussion.

3. On the Friday before the City Council meeting, the City Clerk will post the Supplemental agenda which includes items of urgency that did not meet the Monday submission deadline. For an item to be placed on the Supplemental agenda, three Councilmembers must approve the item as urgent, and the item must include a *Statement of Urgency* explaining why it should be added.

4. [LinkLB](#) is a subscription that will provide an email to you each time the City Council agenda is published. To sign up to receive these emails you will need to create an account and provide an email address.

### **Making Public Comment in person at the Council Meeting:**

All members of the public are encouraged to speak at City Council meetings. Public Comment is an opportunity for a member of the public to provide information to the Council. To provide public comment at a Council meeting it is required to sign up to speak. See [Order of Business](#) for more information here.

The City Council will listen to public comment and not engage in a discussion or respond to public comment to avoid violating the Brown Act.

The "Brown Act," officially known as the Ralph M. Brown Act, is a California law that mandates open and public meetings for local legislative bodies, ensuring transparency in government decision-making by requiring public notice of meetings and the opportunity for citizens to attend and participate in discussions.

### **Levine Act**

The Mayor, City Council members, and **anyone participating** in public comment must disclose either verbally or by filling out the Levine Act form of a contribution of more than \$500 made to a City Officer within 12 months prior to the date of the proceeding AND if they have a financial interest in the decision of the proceeding during their public comment.

*Ex: "I'm disclosing under the Levine Act, that I or the company I represent made a contribution to a City Officer that exceeds the threshold within the last 12 months and have financial interest in this item."*

The key agenda items that trigger the Levine Act include: (1) business, professional, and trade licenses and permits; (2) entitlements for land use; (3) contracts valued over \$50,000 (other than competitive bid, labor, or personal employment contracts); and (4) franchises.

### **Submitting a Speaker Card for Items on the Agenda**

Speaker cards can be found outside of the City Council Chambers as you are walking in and at the City Clerk desk inside the Chambers (front left). Speaker cards can be submitted at the City Clerk desk inside the Chambers.

For agenda items, the cutoff time to submit a Speaker Card is once the City Clerk has read the item. There is no limit to how many people can speak. If less than 10 speakers sign up for the item, each speaker will receive 3 minutes to speak. If 10 or more speakers sign up, the time is limited to 90 seconds or less, determined by the Chair.



**CITY OF LONG BEACH SPEAKER CARD ON AGENDA ITEMS  
SUBMIT TO CITY CLERK PRIOR TO THE ITEM BEING READ**

Spanish interpretation required/necesita interpretaciones en español

Item No(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Name (Optional): \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** This is a public document subject to posting on the City's website.



Scan above for more information on the City Council Order of Business.

**When to go Speak**

If you have submitted a Speaker Card to the City Clerk, the Mayor will call your name when it is your turn to queue up during the item's public comment period.

**Items Not on the Agenda "Non Agenda Public Comment"**

At any Council meeting, the public may speak about items not on the agenda during the public comment period. There is an opportunity for up to 10 members of the public to speak on non-agenda items at the beginning of the meeting, and the remaining people who want to speak on non-agenda items will have the opportunity to speak at the end of the meeting. Starting 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start of the meeting, the City Clerk will hand out 10 speaker cards for the first 10 speakers and these cards must be submitted before the scheduled start of the meeting. The 10 speakers will get 3 minutes to speak each.

**Interpretation Services**

Spanish interpretation is available for all City Council meetings.

If oral language interpretation for non-English speaking persons is desired or if a special accommodation is desired pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, please make your request by phone to the Office of the City Clerk at (562) 570-6101, 72 business hours prior to the City Council meeting.

**Submitting Written Public Comment for a Council Meeting**

The comment period for each regular meeting agenda will begin once the agenda is posted. The comment period will close one hour before the meeting; however, you may still email a comment to the City Clerk via the [cityclerk@longbeach.gov](mailto:cityclerk@longbeach.gov) address. Although Online Public Comment will be distributed electronically to the City Council at the beginning of the regular

Council meeting, or shortly thereafter depending on the volume of comments received, Online Public Comment users should not expect responses to their comments.

Please see the instructions below for submitting Online Public Comment. You may also [watch the instructional video here](#).

To submit an Online Public Comment, access the City's [OneMeeting portal here](#) and select the "Thought Bubble" for the appropriate meeting.

The screenshot displays the OneMeeting portal interface. At the top, there is a "Sign In" button and a search bar labeled "Text Search" with a "Search" button. Below the search bar is an "Advanced Search" section with a plus sign. The main content area is titled "Current And Upcoming Meetings" and includes a "View All Boards And Commissions" button. A table lists three meetings:

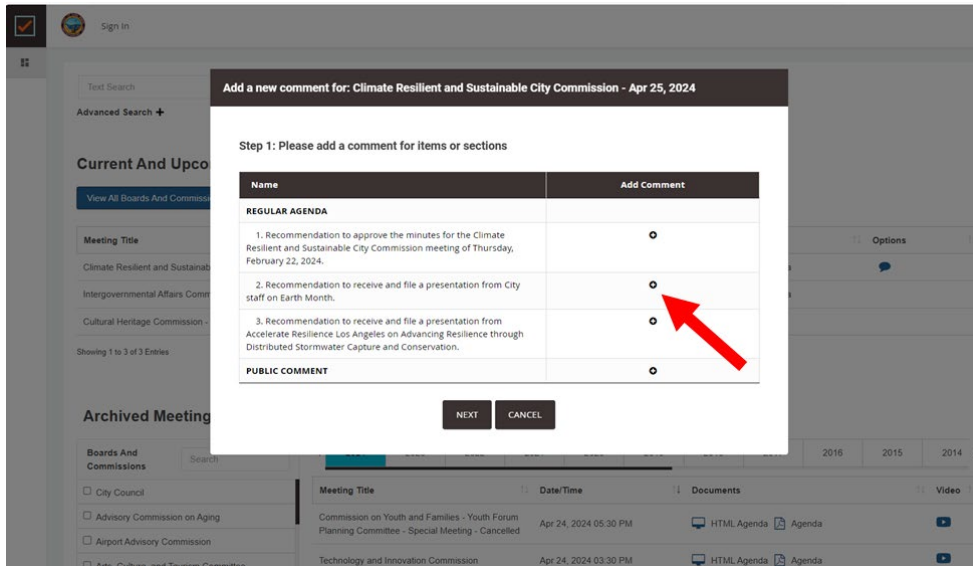
Meeting Title	Date/Time	Documents	Options
Climate Resilient and Sustainable City Commission	Apr 25, 2024 04:00 PM	HTML Agenda	Thought Bubble icon
Intergovernmental Affairs Committee	Apr 29, 2024 12:01 PM	HTML Agenda	Thought Bubble icon
Cultural Heritage Commission - Cancelled	Apr 30, 2024 05:00 PM	Notice of Cancellation	

Below the table, it says "Showing 1 to 3 of 3 Entries". Underneath is the "Archived Meetings" section, also with a "View All Boards And Commissions" button. A year selector shows "2024" as the active year. Below this is another table:

Meeting Title	Date/Time	Documents	Video
Commission on Youth and Families - Youth			
Forum Planning Committee - Special Meeting	Apr 24, 2024 05:30 PM	HTML Agenda	Video icon

A red arrow points to the "Thought Bubble" icon in the "Options" column of the first meeting in the "Current And Upcoming Meetings" table.

Select the desired item and follow its instructions to submit the Online Public Comment.



### **Emailing Written Public Comment for a Council Meeting**

Written public comments can be submitted via email to the City Clerk at [cityclerk@longbeach.gov](mailto:cityclerk@longbeach.gov). Please include the item number and topic in the subject line of the email.


### **Watching a Meeting Online**

The City Council meetings may be watched online through [OneMeeting](#) and YouTube. To watch City Council meetings via [OneMeeting](#), please find the desired meeting and click on the “play” icon (pictured below). The meeting must be currently happening or happened previously for this link to be available.

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Advanced Search +

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### Archived Meetings

**Boards And Commissions**

- City Council
- Advisory Commission on Aging
- Airport Advisory Commission
- Arts, Culture, and Tourism Committee
- As the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Long Beach
- Belmont Shore Parking and Business Improvement Area Advisory Commission
- Bixby Knolls Parking and Business Improvement Area Association
- Board of Examiners, Appeals and Condemnation
- Board of Health and Human Services

2024
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Technology and Innovation Commission	Apr 24, 2024 03:30 PM	HTML Agenda  Agenda	
Civil Service Commission	Apr 24, 2024 09:00 AM	HTML Agenda  Agenda	
Civil Service Commission - Special Meeting	Apr 24, 2024 08:30 AM	HTML Agenda  Agenda	
City Council - Revised	Apr 23, 2024 05:00 PM	HTML Agenda  Agenda	

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Showing 1 to 5 of 152 Entries

To watch a City Council meeting via YouTube, please [visit LBTV's YouTube channel](#).