

Regular Meeting, Introduction to Public Comments

The Victorville City Council is interested in your ideas and opinions, and furthermore endeavors to incorporate them into its deliberations. At the same time, the Council must be able to carry out its business in an organized and efficient manner free from material disruption. Therefore, this meeting will be administered in accordance with Government Code Section 54957.9, 54957.95 and the Council's established policies and procedures.

Individual speakers may address the City Council once per Public Comment period and once per each Public Hearing item for up to three minutes. Additional time may be allocated for Appeal Hearings in accordance with the City's adopted Policy and Procedures Manual. All testimony must be directed solely to the Council.

For those attending the meeting in person, prior to the meeting being called to order, please complete a speaker's card and place it in the clear box located on the counter. If you would like to comment on a Public Hearing item, please submit your request before the Public Hearing item is announced. Although these procedures are not requirements, they are meant to make meetings run more smoothly, to the benefit of all. If you cannot attend in person, remote viewing is available through YouTube and Zoom. Remote participation is available via Zoom using the information provided on the first page of each meeting's agenda. To provide public comment via a computer, laptop, or smart device please click the "Raise Hand" button and the Clerk will unmute you when it is your turn to speak. If joining via Audio only, dial *9 to "Raise Hand" and the Clerk will unmute you when it is your turn to speak.

Speakers are requested to comment as briefly as the subject permits. To ensure scheduled business is completed, the Presiding Officer may decrease the time allowed for public presentation depending on a variety of factors, including the number of persons wishing to be heard. The Presiding Officer may also take a poll of speakers for or against a particular issue and may ask that additional persons speak only if they have something new to add.

Open meeting laws do not confer any privilege or protection for expression beyond that otherwise provided by law, nor do they permit Council Members to engage in dialogue during the Public Comment periods.

Audience members may not disrupt, disturb, or otherwise impede the orderly conduct of the meeting, and those who do are subject to removal from the meeting pursuant to Penal Code 403. Your understanding and cooperation are appreciated.

Closed Session

All testimony during the closed-session portion of the agenda is limited to the closed-session items posted on the agenda. An opportunity to speak on other agenda items and non-agendized matters will be provided during the Public Comments section and/or during Public Hearings once the regular session reconvenes after closed session.

When comments are invited, the speaker will be called on by name then recognized by the Presiding Officer. The speaker will state the closed-session item number(s) that will be addressed.

Regular Session

Individuals may speak on agenda items or on issues not posted on the agenda during the Public Comments section, providing those issues are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council. Individuals may also address the Council during Public Hearings.

When comments are invited, the speaker will be called on by name then recognized by the Presiding Officer. The speaker will state the item number(s) that will be addressed or that the subject is a non-agendized matter.