

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: This is my comment for 2/11/2025's meeting. The meeting last Friday was ridiculous when it came to public comment. I wasn't there but I watched parts of it on YouTube and you were repeatedly denying people the right to speak on issues that mattered to them because you used a backdoor way to not allow general comment by cancelling the regular meeting that the City Charter requires you to have and scheduling a "special meeting" around the same time the regular meeting was supposed to happen. After sitting through your excessive amounts of presentations and virtue signaling, people tried to talk about things including incidents involving the LAPD (a department that is repeatedly violent and violating people's rights) and everyone was denied any opportunity to speak unless they were talking to the limited amount of items on the agenda that didn't have a hearing in committee (since you consider a committee hearing to be "sufficient," despite the fact that no committee even comes close to comprising every member of the Council.) Stop making it harder to give public comment. Restore call-in comment, hear every speaker, and allow general comment at every meeting. The meetings should be held in the evenings and at different locations sometimes too