

MEETING DATES & TIMES

The public is always encouraged to attend meetings of the City Council, boards, commissions, and committees, nearly all which occur at least once per month. For more information, contact City Hall at (831)648-3100.

MEETING INFORMATION

City Council: 1st & 3rd Wed. 6:00 p.m. at Council Chambers

Library Board: 2nd Tues. 7:00 p.m. at Community Center

Museum Board: 1st Wed. 3:30 p.m. at Museum Conference Room

Planning Commission: 1st & 3rd Thurs. 6:00 p.m. or 2nd & 4th Thurs. when first of the month falls on Thursday at Council Chambers

Recreation Board: 2nd Tue. 7:00 p.m. at Community Center

Architectural Review Board: 2nd & 4th Tue. 4:00 p.m. at Council Chambers

Arts Commission: 2nd Wed. 6:30 p.m. at Community Center

Beautification & Natural Resources Committee:
4th Tue. 5:30 p.m. at Museum Conference Room

Historic Resources Committee: 2nd Wed. 4:00 p.m. at CM Conf. Rm.

Traffic Safety Commission: 2nd Tue. 4:00 p.m. at Police Conference Room

ADA Compliance Advisory Committee: 4th Wed. at CM Conf. Rm.

Housing Committee: 2nd Thu. 4:00 p.m. at CM Conf. Rm.

Economic Advisory Committee: 4th Tue. 3:00 p.m. at CM Conf. Rm.

Golf Course Advisory Committee: 2nd Wed. 6:30 p.m. at GC Clubhouse

MEETING VENUES

Council Chambers: City Hall, 300 Forest Avenue, 1st Fl.

CM Conf. Rm. (City Manager's Conference Room): City Hall, 2nd Fl.

Com. Ctr. (Community Center): 515 Junipero Avenue

GC Clubhouse (Golf Course Clubhouse): 77 Asilomar Avenue

Museum Conference Room: 165 Forest Avenue

Police Conference Room: 580 Pine Street

A CITIZEN'S GUIDE TO:

Pacific Grove City Council



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Participating in City Council Meetings

The City of Pacific Grove and the City Council encourage all members of the public to participate in City government and attend City Council meetings.

Location: City Council Chambers, City Hall - Floor 1,
300 Forest Avenue

Time: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month
6:00 p.m.

There are key points as an introduction to participation in meetings:

- Citizens may speak during the Public Comment period of the agenda for three minutes on a topic not on the agenda, but within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council
- Citizens are able to speak on any item on the agenda once given recognition by the Mayor
- Each speaker should line up along the wall, behind the microphone until his or her turn to speak, giving name and address
- Speakers must adhere to the time limits, using the time limit lights as a guide
- When groups wish to address the Council on one topic, a spokesperson from the group may be requested
- Comments and statements should be addressed to the Council, not the audience
- Applauding or other displays of approval or disapproval are inappropriate for Council meetings
- The City is committed to provide access to all of its citizens. For disability-related accommodations, contact the City Clerk at 648-3106

Presentations: Special presentations by a Council member or staff member, including Mayor's Proclamations or special recognitions.

Oral Communication: Specific period during the meeting allowing time for citizens to speak on any topic *not* on the agenda.

Consent Agenda: Routine items for which a staff recommendation has been prepared. A public member or Council member may request that an item be pulled from the consent agenda and placed on the regular agenda for discussion.

Ordinances: Permanent acts of the Council, "legislative acts" that may be repealed by a subsequent ordinance. It must be introduced (for distribution) and "passed and adopted" (for final approval) at two separate Council meetings at least five days apart.

Resolutions: Express the policy of the Council on programs or items, or to direct types of action; can be changed with subsequent resolution and are approved as "passed and adopted."

Reports of Council Members/ Reports of Staff/ Reports of Commissions, Boards, Committees: Reports to the Council by a staff member, Council member, or commission.

Other Council Business: Reports, presentations, or discussion from other agencies, citizens, or community organizations.



CONTACTING YOUR COUNCIL MEMBERS

The Pacific Grove City Council is elected to listen to your concerns. In addition to attending City Council meetings, assisting on projects, and serving on boards, commissions, and agency boards, the council members also hear your thoughts, ideas, and comments.

While most council members have e-mail addresses to contact, citizens may contact a council member at home via a letter or correspondence. All letters may also be sent or delivered to Pacific Grove City Hall at the following address: 300 Forest Avenue, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.

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CITY COUNCIL

The Pacific Grove City Council consists of seven members: the Mayor, elected for a two year term, and six Council members elected to four-year terms. The Council selects one of its members to be Mayor Pro Tempore.

CITY GOVERNMENT

The City of Pacific Grove, a charter city, operates under the Council-Manager form of government. Over 300 cities in California operate under this form of government which is in use worldwide. Under the system, the City Council appoints a City Manager, City Attorney, and members of the City's boards and commissions.

The City Manager is the professional administrator for the City, serving as its "CEO" while advising the City Council. Responsibilities include operations of the City, administration, personnel relations, risk management, administration, preparation of the City budget, and implementation of the Council's policies.

Another key role of the City Manager is to appoint all staff to manage the City. This executive management team for the City includes: the City Manager, City Attorney, Fire Chief, Police Chief, Administrative Services Director, Community Development Director, Recreation Director, Public Works Director, Library Director, Museum Director, Equipment Maintenance Superintendent, and Golf Superintendent. Under each of these key management executives, a team of staff members take on the responsibility of each department.

Together, the City Council works hand-in-hand with the City Manager, with support and resources from City employees and the involvement of the Pacific Grove community.

