



**TOWN OF LOS GATOS
SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL AND PLANNING
COMMISSION
STUDY SESSION AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 12, 2023
110 EAST MAIN STREET AND VIA TELECONFERENCE
LOS GATOS, CA
7:00 PM**

*Maria Ristow, Mayor
Mary Badame, Vice Mayor
Matthew Hudes, Council Member
Rob Moore, Council Member
Rob Rennie, Council Member*

*Jeffery Barnett, Chair
Steven Raspe, Vice Chair
Susan Burnett, Commissioner
Kathryn Janoff, Commissioner
Melanie Hanssen, Commissioner
Emily Thomas, Commissioner*

PARTICIPATION IN THE PUBLIC PROCESS

How to participate: The Town of Los Gatos strongly encourages your active participation in the public process, which is the cornerstone of democracy. If you wish to speak to an item on the agenda, please follow the participation instructions on page 2 of this agenda. If you wish to speak to an item NOT on the agenda, you may do so during the “Verbal Communications” period, by following the participation instructions on page 2 of this agenda. The time allocated to speakers may change to better facilitate the Town Council meeting.

Effective Proceedings: The purpose of the Town Council meeting is to conduct the business of the community in an effective and efficient manner. For the benefit of the community, the Town of Los Gatos asks that you follow the Town’s meeting guidelines while attending Town Council meetings and treat everyone with respect and dignity. This is done by following meeting guidelines set forth in State law and in the Town Code. Disruptive conduct is not tolerated, including but not limited to: addressing the Town Council without first being recognized; interrupting speakers, Town Council or Town staff; continuing to speak after the allotted time has expired; failing to relinquish the podium when directed to do so; and repetitiously addressing the same subject.

Deadlines for Public Comment and Presentations are as follows:

- Persons wishing to make an audio/visual presentation on any agenda item must submit the presentation electronically, either in person or via email, to the Clerk’s Office no later than 3:00 p.m. on the day of the Council meeting.
- Persons wishing to submit written comments to be included in the materials provided to Town Council must provide the comments as follows:
 - For inclusion in any Addendum: by 11:00 a.m. the Monday before the Council meeting
 - For inclusion in any Desk Item: by 11:00 a.m. on the day of the Council Meeting

***Town Council Meetings Broadcast Live on KCAT, Channel 15 (on Comcast) on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m.
Rebroadcast of Town Council Meetings on the 2nd and 4th Mondays at 7:00 p.m.
Live & Archived Council Meetings can be viewed by going to:
www.LosGatosCA.gov/TownYouTube***

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, IF YOU NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT THE CLERK DEPARTMENT AT (408) 354-6834. NOTIFICATION 48 HOURS BEFORE THE MEETING WILL ENABLE THE TOWN TO MAKE REASONABLE ARRANGEMENTS TO ENSURE ACCESSIBILITY TO THIS MEETING [28 CFR §35.102-35.104]

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

This is a hybrid meeting and will be held in-person at the Town Council Chambers at 110 E. Main Street and virtually through the Zoom webinar application (log-in information provided below). Members of the public may provide public comments for agenda items in-person or virtually through the Zoom webinar by following the instructions listed below. The live stream of the meeting may be viewed on television and/or online at www.LosGatosCA.gov/TownYouTube.

PARTICIPATION

To provide oral comments in real-time during the meeting:

- Zoom webinar: Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device: Please click this URL to join: <https://losgatosca.gov.zoom.us/j/82368611139?pwd=NW1qazZwWjZMQ1Q2VHZwMk5JbmZUdz09>
Passcode: 147042 You can also type in 823 6861 1139 in the “Join a Meeting” page on the Zoom website at <https://zoom.us/join>.
 - When the Mayor announces the item for which you wish to speak, click the “raise hand” feature in Zoom. If you are participating by phone on the Zoom app, press *9 on your telephone keypad to raise your hand.
- Join by telephone: Join by Telephone: Dial: USA 877 336 1839 US Toll-free or 636 651 0008 US Toll. Conference code: 686100
 - If you are participating by calling in, press #2 on your telephone keypad to raise your hand.
- In-Person: If you wish to speak during the meeting, please complete a “speaker’s card” located on the back of the chamber benches and return it to the Town Clerk. If you wish to speak to an item on the agenda, please list the item number. The time allocated to speakers may change to better facilitate the Town Council meeting.

When called to speak, you may be asked to provide your full name and your town/city of residence. This identifying information is optional and not a requirement for participation. Please limit your comments to three (3) minutes, or such other time as the Mayor may decide, consistent with the time limit for speakers at a Council meeting.

If you are unable to participate in real-time, you may email to Clerk@losgatosca.gov the subject line “Public Comment Item #__” (insert the item number relevant to your comment). Comments received by 11:00 a.m. the day of the meeting will be reviewed and distributed before the meeting.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

APPROVE REMOTE PARTICIPATION *(This item is listed on the agenda in the event there is an emergency circumstance requiring a Council Member or Commissioner to participate remotely under AB 2449 (Government Code 54953)).*

RULES OF DECORUM AND CIVILITY

To conduct the business of the community in an effective and efficient manner, please follow the meeting guidelines set forth in the Town Code and State law.

The Town does not tolerate disruptive conduct, which includes but is not limited to:

- Addressing the Town Council or Planning Commission without first being recognized;
- Interrupting speakers, Town Council members, Planning Commissioners, or Town staff;
- Continuing to speak after the allotted time has expired;
- Failing to relinquish the microphone when directed to do so;
- Repetitiously addressing the same subject.

Town Policy does not allow speakers to cede their commenting time to another speaker.

VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS *(As a Special Meeting, members of the public may address the Town Council and Planning Commission only on the agenda items. Unless additional time is authorized by the Mayor, remarks shall be limited to three minutes.)*

OTHER BUSINESS *(Up to three minutes may be allotted to each speaker on any of the following items.)*

1. Receive and Discuss Information Regarding Statewide Housing Laws that Apply to Applications for Housing Development Projects in the Town.

ADJOURNMENT

Writings related to an item on the Town Council meeting agenda distributed to members of the Council within 72 hours of the meeting are available for public inspection at the front desk of the Los Gatos Town Library, located at 100 Villa Avenue, and are also available for review on the official Town of Los Gatos website. Copies of desk items distributed to members of the Council at the meeting are available for review in the Town Council Chambers.

Note: The Town of Los Gatos has adopted the provisions of Code of Civil Procedure §1094.6; litigation challenging a decision of the Town Council must be brought within 90 days after the decision is announced unless a shorter time is required by State or Federal law.