



MEETING AGENDA

Monday, April 22, 2024

Chester City Hall

6:30pm

100 West End Street

Chester, SC

In Person/Virtual

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83177660947>

1. Call to Order

- a. Roll Call
- b. Prayer
- c. Pledge of Allegiance
- d. Civility Pledge – *“I pledge to build a stronger and more prosperous community by advocating for civil engagement, respecting others, and their viewpoints, and finding solutions for the betterment of The City of Chester.”*

2. Addressing Chester City Council

- a. Citizens Forum -*Each citizen will be limited to two (2) minutes.*
- b. Petitioner -*Each petitioner will be limited to three (3) minutes.*
 - a. Elouise McCree/American Red Cross - Blood Drive Support
 - b. Valeria Erwin/SL Finley Restoration Association- Security and Vandalism
 - c. LaTanya Williams - Battered But Not Broken – Lighting & Patrol

3. City Council Meeting Minutes Approval

4. Monthly Administrative Report - Information Only

5. Consideration of Ordinances and Resolutions

- a. Ordinance 2024-004 *Ordinance Amending The Business License Ordinance of the City of Chester*- Second Reading
- b. Ordinance 2024-005 Ordinance Amending Meeting Agenda Ordinance (Mayor) – First Reading
- c. Proclamation- National Cities, Towns and Villages Month (National League of Cities)
- d. Proclamation-Fibromyalgia

6. City Administrator's Updates**7. Committee Reports**

- a. Economic Development
- b. Properties

8. Unfinished Business (None)**9. New Business**

- a. Bids - Firehouse Ramp
- b. SC General Assembly's passage of H3594- Constitutional Carry Law – Policy review may be needed
- c. Goal Work plan update
- d. Tri-State Development, Inc. Request

10. Executive Session

- a. Receipt of Legal Advice related to pending claim and discussion of settlement regarding Bennett's Landfill – S.C. Code Ann. § 30-4-70(a)(2)

11. Possible Action on Items from Executive Session

The SC Freedom of Information Act limits municipal executive sessions to four open meeting exceptions (Section 30-4-70).

1. Discussion of employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline or release of an employee, or an appointment to a public body.
2. Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements, discussions of a proposed sale or purchase of property, receipt of legal advice, settlement of legal claims or discussions of the public agency's position in adversary situations, discussion about development of security personnel or devices
3. Investigative proceedings or allegations of criminal misconduct; and

4. discussion of matters concerning the proposed location, expansion or provision of services encouraging location or expansion of industries or other businesses in the area served by the public body.

12. Adjourn

GUIDELINES FOR ADDRESSING CHESTER CITY COUNCIL

Citizens Forum:

- Please sign the sign-in sheet upon arrival.
- Must state name and address.
- Each citizen will be limited to two (2) minutes.

Petitioners: (A maximum of five petitioners will be allowed per meeting.)

- Must be placed on the agenda prior to noon on the Thursday before the Council Meeting on Monday.
- Must state name and address.
- Each petitioner will be limited to three (3) minutes.

Public Hearings:

- Must sign the sign-in sheet upon arrival.
- Must state name and address.
- Each speaker will be limited to a three-minute presentation.

When introduced, Please:

- Approach the podium.
- Speak loudly and clearly making sure that the microphone is not obstructed.
- **DO NOT** address the audience - direct all comments to Council.
- **DO NOT** approach the Council table unless directed.
- Allow Council the opportunity to ask questions when finished.

Anyone addressing Council will be called out of order if you:

- Use profanity.
- Stray from the subject.
- Make comments personally attacking an individual member of Council.
- Exceed the time limit.
- Speak from the audience when not on the agenda.
- Make threats or derogatory remarks toward individuals.