



New Council Member Orientation

November 3, 2022

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November 8, 2022 Election outcome

Three new Council Members will be elected

Requirements to be a Council Member

Goal of Program

- Assist Council Member-Elects with resources to be more effective in decision making
- Balance critical operating information with policies and procedures



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Onboarding Program Includes:

- Oath of Office & Reorganization Ceremony
- Required Filings (Conflict of Interest filing, Ethics & Harassment trainings)
- Personnel Paperwork
- Digital Resource Directory
- One-day or Two-day Workshop Orientation



Discussion Sections

- 1. Introduction to the City Organization
- 2. Council Member Specific Information
- 3. Legal Update and Considerations while on Council
- 4. Council Meeting Procedures and Protocols
- 5. Policy Role in Land Use Planning
- 6. Financial Responsibilities, Budgeting and Performance Measurements
- 7. Communications and Community Engagement
- 8. Emergency Preparedness
- 9. Major Projects and Upcoming Items



Recommendations from the Committee

