

## Miyuki Yokoyama

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**Sent:** Monday, September 14, 2020 12:12 PM  
**To:** Miyuki Yokoyama; Shawn Christianson; Larry May; Al Royse; Jay Benton; Marie Chuang  
**Cc:** Ann Ritzma; Orna Resnekov  
**Subject:** For public comment session (September 14, 2020 City Council Meeting): Notice for City Council Meetings (not an agenda item for today's meeting)

### Meeting Information

The Hillsborough City Council holds its regular meetings on the second Monday of each month at 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers at Town Hall.

In addition to regular meetings, the City Council can meet on an as-needed basis as follows:

- Special meetings - Meetings outside the normal schedule that fulfill the 72 hour notice requirement.
- Emergency meetings - Under urgent conditions, Council can convene a meeting with only 24 hours notice.
- Study session - Meetings with staff to discuss current issues. These meetings are different from special meetings in that Council cannot take action on item discussed in the study session.
- Closed session - Meetings to address personnel, real estate or litigation matters. For reason of confidentiality, these sessions are closed to the general public.

This information is taken from the Town's website and deals with City Council Meeting information: <https://www.hillsborough.net/298/Procedural-Rules>

Dear City Council members,  
Above is information from the Town's website (<https://www.hillsborough.net/298/Procedural-Rules>) showing City Council meeting information.

I would like to request that the City Council cure and correct the violation of the 72 hr rule that occurred at the August 14th, 2020 City Council meeting (under Government Code 54960.1).

This meeting was labeled as a "Special Meeting" and 72 hour notice was not given.

According to the Town's website, the agenda for this meeting was posted at 12:04 PM on August 13th, 2020.

Holding special City Council meetings without giving the required 72 hr notice creates the appearance that the City Council does not care to facilitate participation by the Town's citizens in its meetings, including in the important public comment sessions.

August 14th, 2020 is not an isolated incident, I have tabulated all the special meetings that the City Council has held and many were not afforded 72 hr notice (I am happy to share the tabulation).

It is not clear to me why the City Council has a webpage with City Council Meeting Information and then does not abide by it.

In the interest of good governance and transparency, please cure and correct the violation of the 72 hr rule that occurred at the August 14th, 2020 City Council meeting.

Thank you for your service.

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