



Local Government 101

An Introduction to YOUR Local Government

Wednesday, October 8th

7:00 p.m., City Hall, Room B-8

Please RSVP to 714-536-5404 or at jflynn@surfcity-hb.org

(Children welcome to attend)

Lately I have seen an interest expressed by HB residents to know how Huntington Beach City Hall and our local government operate. As your City Clerk, I would like to offer the opportunity to meet in a casual setting and go over some topics that I think are of interest to you. If there is interest to delve into further topics, we can set an additional session(s).

How is City Hall Organized and What Ways Can I Express My Views?

- Who is who in City Hall and how do I make contact?
- What information is available on the city's website?
- How do I complain or make a suggestion or leave a comment?
- How do I address the city council at a meeting? What do I need to know? Can I show a PowerPoint? Can I deliver handouts? Can I share my time?

What are My Rights?

- What is the Ralph M. Brown Act? What is the Voting Rights Act? What is the California Public Records Act?
- How does this legislation protect me?

How does the Election and Candidacy Process Work?

- What is a 700 form? How do I find out who is giving a candidate or Political Action Committee money?
- How do I register to vote or check on/modify my registration? What is the election Process?
- How can I vote at a polling place, by mail, provisionally?
- How is Huntington Beach's Mayor chosen?

What is Government Transparency?

- What is Open Government/Sunshine?
- How does my City embrace transparency?

Follow-Up Questions and Wrap Up.