



The City of San Diego

Rules Committee

2025 Work Plan

The Rules Committee 2025 Work Plan has been developed with the thoughtful input provided by Vice Chair Lee, Member Campillo, Member Moreno, and Member Elo-Rivera in their respective priority memoranda. Driven by the fundamental principle of good governance, this committee strives to ensure an open and transparent City Hall through attention to issues within the committee's purview.

As per Rule 6.10.7 in the Rules of Council, the responsibilities of the Rules Committee are: Rules of Council, City Charter, Open Government, Elections and Ballot Measures, Annexations, Boards and Commissions, Communications, Customer Service, Public Outreach, matters initiated by individual Councilmembers as provided in Rule 7.1, and Committee Composition and Responsibilities.

Based on the priority memos submitted by committee members, here are the priorities for the 2025 Rules Committee.

Council Policy Clean-Up

There are many Council Policies that have not been updated for years, or even decades. A top priority of the Rules Committee this year will be reviewing and updating or repealing Council Policies, with an eye to good governance. This review may reveal the need for new Council Policies to further the goals of this committee and the City as a whole.

Customer Service

Customer service is one of the highest responsibilities of municipal government. This committee requests an update from Performance and Analytics Department on the feasibility of 3-1-1 and Get It Done, including ongoing operations, performance data, and to solicit feedback on improvements. Further, this

committee welcomes robust discussions on how to enhance customer service citywide.

Early Consideration of Ballot Measures

Council Policy 000-21 governs the process for submitting and considering ballot measures by members of the public, Councilmembers, the Mayor, mayoral departments, independent department directors, or a public agency. The stated goal of this Council Policy is to encourage early consideration of ballot measures. This committee welcomes early submission of ballot measures to allow for public input and robust legal and fiscal review.

Open Government: Translation and Election Codes

An open and transparent government is a key priority of the City. This committee requests a presentation from the City Clerk on the status and impact of translation services as well as an update on their efforts to provide accurate information and maximize access to municipal government. Additionally, this committee will be considering potential election code updates to ensure compliance with state codes and accessibility for the public.

Charter Review

The City Charter is our guiding document, approved by the voters. This committee may wish to review and initiate potential Charter amendments.

Boards and Commissions

The City of San Diego has many municipal boards and commissions which serve as advisory bodies on critical city documents and priorities. Recruiting for these service positions can be difficult for a wide variety of reasons. This committee may consider reviewing the scope and workplans of various boards and commissions to ensure they are effectively achieving their goals while respecting volunteer time. Additionally, the committee may wish to discuss how to improve recruitment for these boards and commissions.

This is not an exhaustive list but is intended to guide the committee for the upcoming year. These issues do not limit the Committee from hearing items in conformance with Rule 7.1 nor exploring new policies and ideas which further our responsibilities for an open, transparent government.

Meeting Dates

Note: Additional meetings may be added to the legislative calendar. The public will be notified in accordance with Brown Act noticing requirements should special meetings be added.

January 29th, 2025 at 9:00 am
February 19th, 2025 at 9:00 am
March 19th, 2025 at 9:00 am
April 16th, 2025 at 2:00 pm
May 21st, 2025 at 9:00 am

June 25th, 2025 at 9:00 am
July 9th, 2025 at 9:00 am
September 17th, 2025 at 9:00 am
October 22nd, 2025 at 9:00 am
November 19th, 2025 at 9:00 am

Meeting Participation

Access

Committee meetings will be held in-person at the 12th Floor Committee Room and available to the public in-person or virtually via Zoom Webinar. Information for attending the meeting in-person, virtually or viewing the broadcast on CityTV can be found on the City Clerk's website and on each committee meeting agenda.

Non-agenda public comment

At each meeting, any member of the public can provide non-agenda public comment, which is held soon after the meeting begins. Non-agenda public comment is for offering remarks for any topic relevant to the Committee that is not being discussed as an agenda item. Speakers for non-agenda public comment will have 2 minutes to provide their remarks, although there will be no discussion among the committee members of the topics addressed during non-agenda public comment.

Public comment

Members of the public will have an opportunity to comment on each agenda item following staff presentations on the item. Depending on the number of speakers, each speaker will have 1-2 minutes to provide their remarks, which must be applicable to the item being heard. Following the conclusion of public comment, committee members will deliberate on the item. At the discretion of the chair, organized presentations can be arranged in advance. Instructions for providing public comment are included on the meeting agenda and are promulgated at the meeting.