

Responses to Council Questions and Comments

7/15/2024

Item #8: Resolution Appointing Individuals to Public Safety Advisory Committee, Tree Advisory Committee, and Historic and Cultural Preservation Committee

- **Question:** Does the city have a code of conduct for committee and commission appointments?
 - **Response:** No. Nor does the City have a code of conduct for City Council members, as do some cities. We do have the Council meeting rules and the Planning Commission and the Airport Commission have meeting rules. None of these include a code of conduct applicable to the Council or the other legislative bodies conducting City business, especially when doing so away from a public meeting. There is a Debate and Decorum section in the Council rules, which addresses how Council members and members of the public are to maintain decorum in Council meetings, and also enforcement of meeting decorum. Here is a link to the Council rules: [City Council Rules & Procedures - Petaluma \(cityofpetaluma.org\)](http://cityofpetaluma.org) The Debate and Decorum Article is Article IV. There are no comparable decorum rules in the Planning Commission meeting rules, which are procedural. The Airport Commission rules are similarly procedural.