

# Welcome to eComment

## eComment comes to Sacramento

Constituents can now comment on upcoming agenda items via our website using eComment. To leave a comment users click on eComment on our agenda page, select the item they wish to comment on, indicate a position, and submit their written comment. eComment is available at the time the agenda is published and then closes at 12:00 pm on the day of the meeting. Comments are exported into a report, sorted by agenda item.

## eComment Supports the City's Green Initiatives

eComment reduces fuel emissions, traffic congestion, parking and other environmental side effects associated with travel to public meetings. Additionally eComment will support our digital agenda sustainability efforts as the eComment report will be published to the agenda package eRoom and become part of the permanent record.

## eComment Improves Meeting Participation

Due to work, school, and family commitments constituents are not always able to attend City Council meetings. The eComment solution provides constituents an opportunity for participation when they can not be at a City Council meeting in person. Using eComment allows any person, anywhere to leave a comment on an agenda item via the internet.

## eComment is Transparent Government

eComment is also a valuable tool for staff. Significant staff time saving can be realized by encouraging constituents to post their comments using eComment as opposed to sending emails or leaving phone messages with City staff. Having a central repository for comments ensure that the Council and City staff are in compliance with the Brown Act by having a transparent, predictable process for managing public comment that occurs outside the council chamber.



## Getting Started with eComment

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Users will go to the webpage, just as they do now to view the agenda, and select eComment.

### Sacramento Streaming Media Archive



Archived videos are arranged by date, with the most recent at the top of the list. Click **Video** to watch the meeting with documents, or **Agenda / Minutes** to see just the documents. You can also search the archives by typing keywords into the Search box.

Windows Media Player is required to view the videos. This can be downloaded for free from the [Microsoft website here](#).

The minimum system requirements for watching the Archived video [are available here](#).

[Streaming video support](#)

#### Upcoming Events

Name	Date
11/10/09 Council Agenda [Closed Session Starts at 5:30 P.M.]	November 10, 2009 - 6:00 PM

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Users are prompted to enter their personal information, which is optional. This information is kept as part of the record, but only a user's name is listed on the eComment report. Users then click save and the agenda is displayed.

Your Details Select Agenda Item Comment

First Name  Last Name

E-mail

Street

Area

City/Town

State  Zip

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Users scroll through the agenda and click Comment on the item that they wish to leave remarks. Users may only comment on one item at a time. However, they can go back and select additional items and may comment as many times as they like.

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Your Details Select Agenda Item Comment

Select an item to comment on

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[Consent Calendar \(Items 1 - 14\) Estimated Time: 5 minutes](#)

[1. \(City Council/Financing Authority/Housing Authority/Redevelopment Agency\) Approval of Minutes for October 27, 2009](#)

[2. Parks and Recreation Commission - Consideration of Applicants \[To Be Delivered\] \[Updated on 11-9-09 at 10:30 a.m.\] \[Updated on 11-10-09 at 9:20 a.m.\]](#)

[3. Planning Commission - Consideration of Applicants \[To Be Delivered\] \[Updated on 11-9-09 at 9:20 a.m.\] \[Updated on 11-10-09 at 9:20 a.m.\]](#)

[4. Open an Application Period for Various Boards and Commissions](#)

[5. \(City Council/Redevelopment Agency/Housing Authority\) Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency \(SHRA\) Conflict of Interest Code Amendment](#)

[6. Agreement: Sacramento International Airport Terminal Modernization Program \(TMP\)](#)

Your Details Select Agenda Item Comment

**Selected Item**

Roll Call

**Your Comment**

I hope that the council votes to support the staff recommendation on this project. I think that this new shopping center will be great for our neighborhood and bring economic vitality to my area.

You have 304 characters remaining.

**Position**

Support  Oppose  Neutral

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Type the two words: 

**Submit**

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Once an item is selected the user will be shown a text box and will type in their remarks.

Users also may click to show their position (support, oppose, or neutral)

To protect eComment from spammers, users must enter the code words they see at the bottom of the screen.

Your Details Select Agenda Item Comment

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Congratulations!

We appreciate your comments which will become part of the official record.

**Back to Agenda** **Comment on Another Item**

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After users click submit the congratulations screen assures users that their comments been received. Users may go back to the agenda or chose to comment on another item.

Agenda Item	Name	District	Position	Comment
19. Estimated Time: 45 minutes Green Waste Ballot Initiative	Steve Vincent	District 4	Oppose	Please do not force bins on downtown residents. Bins do not make sense in the central city. 1) We don't have room for another large bin in our tiny driveways 2) We don't have big lawns like suburbs so don't have much green waste except in the fall 3) When we have green waste? it's leaves in the Fall- more than any bin can handle 4) Bins will not prevent leaves or reduce mosquitos. The City has pushed bins & been negligent scooping leaves. Give us service and we will be billed for or refund us
19. Estimated Time: 45 minutes Green Waste Ballot Initiative	Brandie Humphreys	District 4	Oppose	If we are forced on containers? it will make downtown our tree. Leaves are the only yard waste we have. We need to keep the claw in downtown.
19. Estimated Time: 45 minutes Green Waste Ballot Initiative	Joshua Lurie-terrell	District 3	Oppose	I don't want a bin. I don't see the piles of (usually dry) leaves as an eyesore or a breeding-ground for mosquitoes. Let us keep the claw.
19. Estimated Time: 45 minutes Green Waste Ballot Initiative	Jeremy Goldberg	District 3	Oppose	We are opposed to moving from pile pick up to mandatory bins. Our neighborhood features several large trees in excess of 20 ft tall. During the Fall we will simply not have enough space in a bin to fit all of our leaves. As a result? people will either dump their excess leaves into the street anyway or not pick them up at all (since there will be no room). If the City actually picked the leaves up every week (instead of doing it sporadically)there would be no issues regarding mosquitos.

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