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How to speak at a council meeting

We need people to speak before City Council on this issue, especially people who can represent the economic and ethnic diversity of Strathcona. On Oct. 2, city engineering staff is tentatively scheduled to present their report and recommendations. Before Council votes, time will be allowed for people from the public to speak for up to three minutes. It's a great chance to witness and participate in government in action.

The catch is that the meeting agenda and opportunity to sign up to speak only happens a week before the council meeting. Which means the Oct. 2 date could change. It's critical that you sign up as quickly as possible once the form is online so you can speak early. What you can do now is get on our list.

Penny Crawford is coordinating speakers from the SRA, and can keep you updated by e-mail or phone as soon as the speaker form is available. She'll also help coordinate speaking points. Contact her at notprior@strathcona-residents.org.

The City has an online of tips to prepare your presentation: <https://vancouver.ca/your-government/speak-at-city-council-meetings.aspx>