City Council Mantra

Read before each Council meeting...

- 1. I am on the City Council as an advocate of quality and effective City services. I will do what I can to promote cost sensitive and professional services to City residents and visitors. I will do what I can to promote a safe environment for business and families.
- 2. It is my responsibility to contribute to a stabilized environment for the City. I am an opponent of uproar, dissension, and conflict. I believe in cooperation.
- 3. I believe in routine. The greatest gift I can give to City residents is to provide services that are predictable.
- 4. Every comment I make and every vote I cast will be motivated by the question, "What is good for the city residents and visitors?"
- 5. What I want for my family is what I want for all patrons of the City.
- 6. I will "champion" the City. I will compliment and reinforce often. I will suggest and recommend when necessary.
- 7. I will support a majority position of the Council. I may not agree, but once the vote is taken, I'm with the others.
- 8. I will never come to a Council meeting having made a promise to an individual or group.
- 9. At all times, I will remember I am a City official whose purpose is to serve and represent others and to act on their behalf.
- 10. Courtesy is a rule. I will not break that rule.
- 11. A Council meeting is a business meeting. It is not entertainment. It is not a social hour. It is not a question and answer session. It is a business meeting.
- 12. I am busy. Other Council members and the Mayor are busy. The City staff and Administrator are busy. Everyone is busy. At this meeting, I will do what I have to do. I will do it as fast as possible. I will respect the time of other people.