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Dear LA City Councilmembers,

I am writing as a concerned citizen who occasionally wants to be to be more civically engaged but is discouraged and frightened by the language and conduct displayed during Council Meetings.

The disruptive behaviors, ranging from hate speech to disruptive antics, creates a hostile environment, deterring participation and undermines the purpose of these forums.

Instead of dialogue and problem-solving, time is wasted on chaos and disrespect.

How much longer do we have to endure this? Council Chambers should be where voices are heard and our time is not wasted. This is our forum, and should be a safe space for the people, I think we deserve better.

As a private citizen, I urge Councilmembers to take action by setting and enforcing clear expectations for respectful dialogue and professional conduct.

Our community deserves a public forum where everyone feels empowered to contribute, free from hostility and intimidation.

Sincerely,

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