

## **Civic 101 Videos Topic List**

*Submitted by Co-Vice Chair Graves:*

- City of Santa Rosa History, Basic Information (office address(es), office hours), and Organizational Chart
- City of Santa Rosa Online Resources - Website, Social Media, Alerts, Apps, City Connections newsletter
- All about City Council, Districts and How to Participate (Contact, View Meeting, Comment at meeting, submit a proclamation)
- All about City Boards and Commissions

*Submitted by Member Harper:*

Here are my topics for the academy shorts:

- What to expect from a city council, committee, board or commission
- What is the city council and what do they do
- What is the role of the Mayor and Vice Mayor
- What is a board, committee or commission
- City finance basics
- Police basics
- Park planning basics
- Permit basics
- Community Engagement basics
- Community Advisory Board basics
- Difference between City and County Government
- How to provide public comment
- Serving on a boards, committees, or commissions
- Running for city council 101
- Transportation (bus system)
- Public works
- Fire Department 101
- Where you water comes from
- Virtual trip to the sewer system
- Tourism, dining and shopping in Santa Rosa

*Staff Recommendations:*

- What is civic engagement? Why participate in your local government?
  - How does this differ from community engagement? What is community engagement?
- How do I make a public records request?
- How to find Council meeting agendas and posting requirements
- Once adopted: Open Government Ordinance
  - What is it and why is it important?
  - What are the different sections?