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To our City Councilors,

First, I'd like to express my condolences for anybody having to be subjected to the hateful and disgusting statements at PS&T.

Second, moving forward, I respectfully recommend that all city council meetings use the webinar format.

It is our best protection against zoom-bombers. I agree that it may be a slight inconvenience (extra clicks) but consider the protection the community deserves. Innocent constituents who only want their voices heard, just as our elected officials, deserve not to be subjected to the crass, disgusting agendas of a small group who have nothing to offer the city but chaos and disfunction.

Our City Clerks who run these night meetings are skilled but the format currently being used is inherently open to zoom-bombing. I and my staff have a set of best practices and send out help files quarterly. We are ready and available to continue helping the clerks and discussing best practices for 2024.

I have emailed Lt. Henrickson the link to the video as well as a spreadsheet of attendees. IP addresses are not an option in Zoom reporting. I know that Chief Carmichael and NPD are also in contact with all of you and are ready to help.

FYI, the FBI has recommended that we report the incident at the Internet Crime Complaint Center (<u>www.IC3.gov</u>) which I am doing.

Respectfully, Joe

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