

Political Leadership:

Public Engagement Mechanisms

- i. **Local Government Websites:** These websites often have sections dedicated to public engagement. Look for sections titled "Public Participation," "Community Engagement," "Public Meetings," or similar. These sections usually provide information about upcoming public meetings, opportunities for public comment, and other ways for community members to get involved.
- ii. **Municipal Codes, Statutes, and Ordinances:** These documents can provide information about the legal requirements for public engagement in local government decision-making. They can be found on the local government's website, usually under a section titled "Municipal Code," "City/County Ordinances," "County Regulations," or similar.
- iii. **Public Meetings:** Many local governments hold regular public meetings where community members can express their views and influence decisions. Agendas and minutes for these meetings, usually available on the local government's website, can provide insights into the issues being addressed and the opportunities for public input.
- iv. **Online Engagement Platforms:** Some local governments use online platforms to facilitate public engagement. These can include online forums, surveys, or tools for submitting public comments or questions.
- v. **Community Surveys or Consultations:** Some local governments conduct surveys or consultations to gather community input on specific issues. Information about these efforts, and the results, may be available on the local government's website.