



## Public Notice of LaDDC January 2024 Council Meeting

January 5, 2024

[Act 393 of the 2023 Regular Session](#) amended Open Meetings Law to allow for remote operations (i.e. by electronic means or virtually) of public bodies that meet specific requirements detailed in the bill. The Act also requires each individual agency to promulgate its own rules for remote meetings. Since Council members are Governor appointed, the Council has to follow rules set by the previous Open Meetings Law until a rule is released by the Louisiana Department of Health.

The Louisiana Department of Health's (LDH) Legal Office was contacted in November, and stated, "LDH is still in the process of having a Rule promulgated. Hopefully, the final rule will be published no later than March 2024." LDH Legal also stated if the Council proceeds to meet remotely without an official, uniform promulgated rule, we risk the chance of all votes and/or business conducted at our January meeting being considered null and void. The Council is considering important decisions at the upcoming meetings, and cannot risk being in violation.

Therefore, all public Council meetings will be held in-person only. All efforts will be made to stream our meetings live on our [YouTube channel](#), but public comment will only be accepted in-person. We apologize for the inconvenience.

The January Council Meeting, will be held **January 17th -18th** at the Council's office, **5615 Corporate Blvd. Suite 300A**, in Baton Rouge. **Please note that the floor/suite has changed.**

The January 2024 Council Meeting schedule is as follows:

### **Wednesday, January 17, 2024**

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Executive Committee
10:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Act 378 Subcommittee
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Self-Determination / Community Inclusion
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Education / Employment Committee

### **Thursday, January 18, 2024**

8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Council Meeting
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Meeting documents will be posted on the [Council's website](#) upon receipt.

All Council meetings are public meetings and all citizens are welcome to attend in person.

### **Accommodations**

Closed captioning will be provided during this meeting. If you require another access service to fully participate or have any questions about accessibility, please contact [Bridgette.Talley@la.gov](mailto:Bridgette.Talley@la.gov) at least

3 business days prior to the meeting or call (225) 342-6804 to ensure you are provided with the best experience possible.

## Contact Us

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