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Hi,

What is the correct process to get a topic of discussion onto the meeting agenda?

I am the Owner of the cafe located inside 4th & King (going on 20 years), and for many years my employees and I have had to fight our own battles against transients who have assaulted our employees, stolen from my cafe, chased customers away and even vandalized my store.

The conductors and engineers who operate Caltrain have also expressed their concern with management, but nothing has changed and better working and operating conditions need to be discussed.

For example, my employee had to lock herself inside the cafe this morning to prevent an aggressive transient from forcing his way into the store. She was alone and felt as if her life was in danger, and was lucky that a few brave Caltrain employees stepped in to help her. Had there been an effective security officer (or an armed Sheriff) on-site to deter transients from sleeping and loitering in the station, she would not have had to ensure this traumatic incident.

Thank you and I look forward to hearing from you.

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