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Question

I am trying to help a city who is looking for policies from other cities regarding the practice of placing plaques, framed photos, etc. in the city council chamber or meeting room to honor or memorialize individuals. The city is particularly interested in policies that guide who will be honored in this way and how that decision is made.

Does your city have such a policy or guideline and would you be willing to share that information with us?

Responses

Brentwood Kirk Bednar Assistant City Manager	We don't do this except for former city commissioners.
615-371-0060 Murfreesboro Melissa Wright City Recorder mwright@murfreesborotn.gov	We do not have a policy. We do have pictures of past Mayors and City Council Members in our City Manager's admin. offices, but not on our Council Chamber or other meeting rooms. It may be something we should consider, but it has not occurred to us yet.
Clarksville Sylvia Skinner, CMC Clarksville City Clerk One Public Square, 4th Floor Clarksville, TN 37040 Phone: (931)648-6121 Fax: (931)221-0122	Clarksville does not have a policy regulating memorials in the Council Chambers.
Knoxville Cindy Mitchell City Recorder	The City Council of Knoxville meets in a building/meeting room shared by City Government, County Government, The Metropolitan Planning Commission, the Court System, School Board, etc. It is run and operated by the Public Building Authority. There are currently no photos of individuals hung in the Council Chambers and there are no policies in place to hang photos in the

	future. The city does however have a gallery in the 5th Floor Atrium of the City-County Building that houses portraits of all former Mayors of the City of Knoxville. We also have a Public Property Naming Committee that names/renames streets and other public properties.
Johnson City Missy Hollifield 423-283-5815	Policy provided

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