

Vehicle Parking District
Board of Parking Place Commissioners
October 9, 2025

505 S. Garey Ave
Pomona, CA 91766

Regular Meeting Minutes

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*Chairperson Joseph Mladinov III
Vice-Chairperson Glenda Barillas
Commissioner Carolyn Hemming
Commissioner Brian Mundy
Commissioner Alejandra M. Tessier
Commissioner Sergio Cervantes
Commissioner Manuel Vizcarra*

VISION STATEMENT

*Pomona will be recognized as a vibrant, safe, beautiful
community that is a fun and exciting destination and the home of
arts and artists, students and scholars, business and industry.*

Thursday, October 9, 2025

6:00 PM

City of Pomona Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Vehicle Parking District (VPD) Board of Parking Place Commissioners was called to order by Chairperson Mladinov III at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by a Scout Leader.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chairperson Mladinov III
Vice-Chair Barillas
Commissioner Hemming
Commissioner Mundy
Commissioner Tessier – Arrived at 6:01 pm
Commissioner Cervantes

Absent: Commissioner Vizcarra

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

STAFF COMMUNICATION

Motion made by Chair Mladinov, seconded by Vice Chair Barillas, to move staff communication to the first item, so the City Clerk can speak.

City Clerk Rosalia Butler introduced herself and provided an overview of the responsibilities carried out by the City Clerk's Office. Ms. Butler reminded the Commissioners about their required Form 700 and ethics training. She noted that the City Manager's Office has authorized her to submit the names of any Commissioners who have not completed their Form 700 or ethics training to the Ethics Commission. Commissioners who need assistance accessing their accounts to complete either requirement may contact the City Clerk's Office for support.

Management Analyst Sylvia Gonzales briefed Commissioners on the planned restriping of Lot 10 scheduled for October 13. As a courtesy, Senior Management Analyst Lindsay McElwain and Ms. Gonzales visited the lot to place reminder flyers on all vehicles, and the contractor also posted signage about the project. Ms. Gonzales additionally reported that she has observed several expired permits while monitoring the VPD lots. Parking Enforcement cited twelve vehicles during the week of October 6 and will continue checking all VPD lots to ensure permits are current.

COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATION

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Vice Chair Barillas, Seconded by Commissioner Hemming, carried 6-0, to approve items 1-4 on the Consent Calendar.

1. Approval of the September 11, 2025 Vehicle Parking District Board of Parking Place Commissioners Regular Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of the Vehicle Parking District Revenue and Expenditure Report for September 2025
3. Ratification of New Vehicle Parking Permits One (1) New Vehicle Parking Permit September 2025)
4. Receive and File the Vehicle Parking District Board of Parking Place Commissioners Attendance Report through September 2025

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

5. Discussion on the Vehicle Parking District (VPD) Lot Improvements Using the Remaining RDA Funds

Deputy Director of the Office of Economic and Business Affairs Ata Khan provided an overview of future activation opportunities for the VPD Lots and potential reinvestment of available RDA funds. He noted that ideas would be evaluated based on economic, social, and environmental value and recommendations for appropriations would be presented to the City Council at the beginning of the year. Topics discussed included parking and

leasing revenue, land development, frontage activation, special events, public art, landscaping, shading, water use, and solar/EV charging infrastructure.

Commissioner Feedback

Chair Mladinov

- Emphasized the importance of financial solvency for the VPD Lots.
- Recommended strengthening leasing agreements to increase revenue.
- Opposed selling any VPD Lots west of Garey Avenue.

Commissioner Hemming

- Requested that the City consider renegotiating the lease with Western University.
- Stated that Western University profits from use of the lots without contributing to their upkeep and that revenues should support VPD.

Vice Chair Barillas

- Supported exploring rainwater capture systems, acknowledging potential costs.
- Asked follow-up questions regarding leasing revenue strategies; Mr. Khan explained these would follow a fee study model with Council approval.
- Requested that any land development within VPD Lots benefit the downtown area.
- Noted trash issues in Lots 10 and 12 during events and asked about the planning process for future loading zones; Mr. Khan explained that Public Works would initiate the CIP process with community engagement.
- Suggested emphasizing community input early, as it requires minimal upfront funding.
- Recommended traffic calming improvements near 1st Street, such as a roundabout with public art.
- Asked about the cool pavement that was mentioned in the staff report. She wanted to know what it looks like for the city and the cost to implement. Mr. Khan responded that there could be tree planting or shade areas to combat the heat in the summer, similar to the parks. City Engineer Arnold Dichosa added to this by mentioning the City of LA has been testing cool pavement/asphalt, and the only problem with that is the color is gray.

Commissioner Tessier

- Asked whether the \$13M in RDA funds could be used entirely for VPD; Mr. Khan clarified that it is not solely allocated to VPD, and no specific amount has been determined.
- Inquired about relocating or installing trash enclosures; Senior Management Analyst Lindsay McElwain noted this would be addressed at a future meeting.
- Agreed with Commissioner Hemming on exploring a trash compactor system.

Commissioner Mundy

- Recommends adding EV charging stations in Lot 13 (Manuel Castijellos Plaza).

Commissioner Tessier (additional comment)

- Suggested that EV charging stations be centralized in one VPD Lot rather than located in Lot 13.

Vice Chair Barillas (additional comment)

- Suggested installation of EV charging stations near 1st Street by the train tracks to support commuters and downtown visitors.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:59 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

Sylvia Gonzales,
Management Analyst

Joseph Mladinov III
Chair of the Vehicle Parking District
Board of Parking Place Commissioners