



# City of Pomona

505 S. Garey Ave  
Pomona, CA 91766

## Special Meeting Minutes

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### City Council / Housing Authority / Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency

*Mayor Tim Sandoval  
Vice Mayor Victor Preciado  
Councilmember John Nolte  
Councilmember Nora Garcia  
Councilmember Elizabeth Ontiveros-Cole  
Councilmember Steve Lustro  
Councilmember Robert S. Torres*

#### 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.*

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Monday, May 13, 2024

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Sandoval called the City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilmember Garcia led the pledge of allegiance.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Tim Sandoval  
Vice Mayor Victor Preciado – arrived at 7:05 p.m.  
Councilmember John Nolte  
Councilmember Nora Garcia  
Councilmember Elizabeth Ontiveros-Cole  
Councilmember Steve Lustro

Absent: Councilmember Robert Torres

#### **STAFF PRESENT**

Anita Gutierrez, City Manager  
Henry Castillo, City Attorney  
Rosalia Butler, City Clerk  
Diana Robles, Deputy City Clerk  
Christian Hsu, Deputy Police Chief

Maricela Miotto contracted by the City, provided translation services.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

*At the direction of the City Council Emergency Sub Committee, beginning with the July 18, 2022 Council meeting, emailed comments will no longer be read into the record during Council meetings. However, they will be included as part of the record/meeting minutes.*

**There were no Live Comments.**

### **DISCUSSION CALENDAR**

#### **1. Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget Study Session**

It is recommended that the City Council review the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Proposed Operating and Capital Improvement Program Budgets and provide staff direction. The Fiscal Year 2024-25 Proposed Operating Budget and Fiscal Year 2024-25 Proposed Capital Improvements Program Budget hard copy version have been provided to the Mayor and City Council and are available for viewing in the City Clerk's Office at City Hall.

Finance Director Andrew Mowbray gave the staff presentation and Public Works Rene Guerrero gave an overview of some upcoming CIP projects. Finance Director Mowbray noted that the adoption of the Proposed Operating and Capital Improvement Program Budgets will be on the June 3, 2024 City Council meeting agenda as a Public Hearing item.

Councilmember Garcia asked questions regarding the dumping fee paid by the City and noted the presentation is available to the public for viewing on the City's website through the posted agenda for this meeting.

Public Works Guerrero advised Councilmember Garcia that the dumping fee is not a new fee, and it applies to the smaller trash left behind by Athens when they pick-up illegally dumped bulky items.

Vice Mayor Preciado thanked staff for the report and the detailed breakdown, and he expressed excitement for the future completion of the CIP projects.

Councilmember Lustro thanked staff for the report and expressed appreciation for his colleagues on the City Council for supporting conservative and responsible financial decisions. Councilmember Lustro also asked questions to staff.

City Manager Gutierrez answered Councilmember Lustro's questions.

Councilmember Nolte thanked staff for the presentation, and expressed gratitude to his colleagues for making prudent financial decisions. Lastly, Councilmember Nolte expressed excitement for the future of Pomona.

Councilmember Ontiveros-Cole asked questions regarding the San Francisco St. project.

Public Works Director Guerrero advised the project should take place during the summer of this calendar year.

Vice Mayor Preciado asked more questions to staff.

Finance Director Mowbray and City Manager Gutierrez answered Vice Mayor Preciado's questions.

Mayor Sandoval thanked staff for preparing the report, and thanked the voters of Pomona for approving the removal of the sunset date on the Transaction Use Tax. Mayor Sandoval asked questions to staff regarding best practices for the employment placement of the Mental Health Worker that would be working with the PD H.E.A.R.T team.

City Manager Gutierrez advised the placement was under P.D. for the time being but it is not necessarily mandatory for the position of the mental health worker to be under the Police Department. City Manager Gutierrez advised it is currently being assessed whether or not the department placement of the mental health worker would be changed.

Mayor Sandoval asked questions regarding the court's opinion on how developer fees are established. Mayor Sandoval also requested more information from staff regarding the Supreme Court's upcoming decision on requiring two thirds yes votes on new taxes, rather than requiring a majority, as this may or may not retroactively affect the March TUT measure that was on the March 5<sup>th</sup> 2024 Primary Election.

City Manager Gutierrez answered Mayor Sandoval's questions regarding the developer fees and advised a nexus area region-wide study was completed.

Mayor Sandoval highlighted efforts to make a public community board to better connect residents with community-based organizations, and asked from where would that funding come.

City Manager Gutierrez advised the funding is budgeted under Community Services.

Mayor Sandoval asked if there would be a County measure on the November General Election ballot related to a Fire District. Mayor Sandoval also asked what effect would that type of measure have on a city like Pomona.

City Manager Gutierrez advised there is a measure going around currently collecting signatures for ballot placement but she has not seen the full language of the measure. City Manager Gutierrez advised she would provide an update at the next budget discussion if possible.

Lastly, Mayor Sandoval commented on the efforts to bring forward more of variety of community classes.

**THIS ITEM WAS FOR DISCUSSION ONLY, NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.**

2. Approval of Proposed FY 2024-25 Annual Updates to the current Master Fee Schedule

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-64 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING PROPOSED FY 2024-25 ANNUAL UPDATES TO THE CURRENT MASTER FEE SCHEDULE FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE CITY.**

Finance Director Mowbray gave the staff presentation.

Mayor Sandoval opened the public hearing, and with no public speakers, Mayor Sandoval closed the public hearing.

**MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER LUSTRO (COUNCILMEMBER TORRES ABSENT), CARRIED 6-0, to adopt Resolution No. 2024-64.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

The City Council meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m. on May 15, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

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ROSALIA A. BUTLER, MMC  
City Clerk/Secretary of the Pomona  
Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the  
to the Redevelopment Agency

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TIM SANDOVAL  
Mayor/Chair of the Pomona  
Housing Authority/Successor Agency  
Redevelopment Agency