



City of Pomona

505 S. Garey Ave
Pomona, CA 91766

Regular Meeting Minutes

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

*Mayor Tim Sandoval
Vice Mayor Steve Lustro
Councilmember Debra Martin
Councilmember Victor Preciado
Councilmember Nora Garcia
Councilmember Elizabeth Ontiveros-Cole
Councilmember Lorraine Canales*

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.*

Monday, June 2, 2025

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Mayor Lustro led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Vice Mayor Steve Lustro
Councilmember Debra Martin
Councilmember Victor Preciado
Councilmember Nora Garcia
Councilmember Elizabeth Ontiveros-Cole
Councilmember Lorraine Canales

Absent: Mayor Tim Sandoval

STAFF PRESENT

Anita D. Scott, City Manager
Sonia Carvalho, City Attorney
Rosalia A. Butler, City Clerk
Diana Robles, Deputy City Clerk
Michael Ellis, Pomona Police Chief

PRESENTATIONS

*A Proclamation of the City Council of the City of Pomona Recognizing June 2025 as “Gun Violence Prevention Month” in the City of Pomona.

Vice Mayor Lustro presented the proclamation to Pedro Payne, Office of Violence Prevention Manager, Vanessa Moreno, OVP Senior Analyst, and Augusto Dolce, Executive Director of God’s Pantry.

*A Proclamation of the City Council of the City of Pomona Recognizing June 21, 2025 as “God Skateboarding Day” in the City of Pomona.

Vice Mayor Lustro presented the proclamation to Tony Hoang, Community Services Technical Specialist II, Kaylee Barnitt, Community Services Specialist I, Nathan Alton, Technical Specialist II, and Ricardo Aguilar, Recreation Coordinator.

MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Ontiveros-Cole gave condolences to the Baldwin Park Police Department and expressed concern for excess illegal dumping of clothing on various streets and for traffic hazards in District 4.

Councilmember Garcia discussed receiving concerns about open storage in District 3, thanked staff for prompt removal of downed trees and requested staff respond to a downed streetlight.

Councilmember Canales attended an event hosted by the National Council of Negro Women and the Juneteenth flag raising event at City Hall. Councilmember Canales invited the community to attend an upcoming Juneteenth community celebration and gave thanks to the PD Heart Unit and the Code Compliance Division for their work.

Councilmember Preciado expressed condolences to the Baldwin Park Police Department and thanked the Pomona Police officers who participated in the Special Olympics Torch Run. Councilmember Preciado also attended the Juneteenth Flag raising event at City Hall and advised the Pride flag would be raised later in the month.

Councilmember Martin gave thanks to Public Works Director Meg McWade and City Manager Scott for helping to address issues in District 1 with Cal Trans. Councilmember Martin shared some concerns regarding the rehabilitation of the historic stairs at Ganesha Park. Councilmember Martin attended a Kiwanis scholarship giveaway event and a community outreach day at Kiwanis Park. Lastly, Councilmember Martin announced the upcoming District 1 Area Commander meeting.

Councilmember Garcia advised her wedding would be taking place this month and would therefore not be available during her wedding and honeymoon days.

Councilmember Canales gave thanks to Public Works Director McWade for her responsiveness to community members and announced the upcoming District 6 Area Commander meeting.

Vice Mayor Lustro attended the Memorial Day event at the Pomona Cemetery and stated the music was provided by the Pomona Concert Band.

CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Scott advised the new street sweeping signs would be revealed during the month of June. The new street sweeping routes would begin on July 1, 2025 with soft enforcement for the first ninety days.

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.

Live Comments were as follows:

Kyle Brown from Clean and Green discussed concerns regarding pedestrian safety and asked questions about daylighting laws.

Ira Mazer from the Hope 4 Holt initiative expressed concerns for homelessness in the City and the County.

Vanessa Peñaloza requested safety measures be added to street intersections in her neighborhood.

Enriqueta Velazquez expressed concern for the conditions of the asphalt on Grand Ave and spoke about the need to increase road safety measures.

Susana Pascual expressed a desire for the City Council to repeal Measure Y and requested road improvements.

Mireya Escobar spoke about the importance of repealing Measure Y.

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER PRECIADO, CARRIED 6-0 (MAYOR SANDOVAL ABSENT), to approve the entire Consent Calendar except for Consent Calendar Item No. 4 which was pulled by Councilmember Garcia.

1. Approval of City Council/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency Meeting Minutes

It is recommended that the City Council approve the following City Council/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency Meeting Minutes:

May 12, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER PRECIADO, CARRIED 6-0 (MAYOR SANDOVAL ABSENT), to approve City Council/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency Meeting Minutes of May 12, 2025.

2. A Resolution to Amend the FY 2024-25 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Budget to Modify Funding for the Holt Avenue Corridor Improvements,” Project No. 428-2590-XXXXX-68575 to Accurately Reflect Expenditures

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-59 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, TO AMEND THE FY 2024-25 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) BUDGET BY APPROPRIATING \$403,169 OF AVAILABLE PROPOSITION C FUNDS TO AND UNAPPROPRIATING \$403,169 OF MEASURE M FUNDING FROM “HOLT AVENUE CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS,” PROJECT NO. 428-2590-XXXXX-68575

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER PRECIADO, CARRIED 6-0 (MAYOR SANDOVAL ABSENT), to adopt Resolution No. 2025-59.

3. Approval of the FY 2025-26 Annual Engineer of Record Report and a Resolution of Intent Setting July 21, 2025 as the Public Hearing Date Regarding Annexation of Additional Territory and the Levy of Annual Assessments for the Consolidated Citywide Street Lighting and Landscaping Maintenance District

It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Approve the Engineer’s Report for the Consolidated Citywide Street Lighting and Landscaping Maintenance District for FY 2025-26, including annexation of 125 additional parcels and the annual levy of assessments; and
- 2) Adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-66 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, TO ANNEX NEW TERRITORY AND LEVY FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 ASSESSMENTS FOR THE CONSOLIDATED CITYWIDE STREET LIGHTING AND LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT AND TO SET JULY 21, 2025 AS THE DATE FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE MATTER

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER PRECIADO, CARRIED 6-0 (MAYOR SANDOVAL ABSENT), to approve the Engineer's Report for the Consolidated Citywide Street Lighting and Landscaping Maintenance District for FY 2025-26, including annexation of 125 additional parcels and the annual levy of assessments; and adopt Resolution No. 2025-66.

4. Award a Professional Consulting Services Contract for Developing the City's Safety Action Plan Related to Roadway Safety

It is recommended that the City Council take the following actions:

- 1) Award a professional consulting services contract to TJKM Transportation Consultants for "Pomona Safety Action Plan," Project 428-2590-XXXXX-68590, for developing the City's Safety Action Plan, in the amount of \$481,409; and
- 2) Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the contract and any related documents and subsequent change orders on behalf of the City.

*Pulled by Councilmember Garcia.

Public Speaker Kyle Brown expressed concerns about the scope of work described and asked questions.

Councilmember Garcia requested additional language be included to ensure community outreach be done in-person and expressed support to have collaboration with the Planning Division and with Pomona Unified School District.

Public Works Director Meg McWade gave comments about the consultants that would be conducting community outreach.

Councilmember Martin and Councilmember Canales asked questions about the item and expressed support for collaboration with Pomona Unified School District.

Vice Mayor Lustro expressed support for in-person meetings over virtual meetings.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBE GARCIA, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER PRECIADO, CARRIED 6-0 (MAYOR SANDOVAL ABSENT), to award a professional consulting services contract to TJKM Transportation Consultants for “Pomona Safety Action Plan,” Project 428-2590-XXXXX-68590, for developing the City’s Safety Action Plan, in the amount of \$481,409 with the condition that any findings would inform Complete Streets and community outreach would be done at a grassroots level if possible; and authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the contract and any related documents and subsequent change orders on behalf of the City.

5. Approve a Memorandum of Understanding Between the City and 909 Open Market for a 2025 Summer Concert Series

It is recommended that the City Council take the following actions:

- 1) Approve a one-year Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Pomona and 909 Open Market to host a four-concert summer series in June - September 2025, with a one-year extension option; and
- 2) Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents and future amendments of the Memorandum of Understanding, related with this action on behalf of the City, subject to review and approval as to form by the City Attorney.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER PRECIADO, CARRIED 6-0 (MAYOR SANDOVAL ABSENT), to approve a one-year Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Pomona and 909 Open Market to host a four-concert summer series in June - September 2025, with a one-year extension option; and authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents and future amendments of the Memorandum of Understanding, related with this action on behalf of the City, subject to review and approval as to form by the City Attorney.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

6. Public Hearing: Adoption of Resolutions Approving the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 City of Pomona Operating Budget, Housing Authority Budget, Five Year Capital Improvement Program Budget, Establishing the FY 2025-26 Gann Appropriations Limit, Personnel Related Actions, and Approve Section 115 Trust Payment to CalPERS

It is recommended that the City Council and the City Council sitting as the Commission of the Housing Authority conduct the public hearing and after receiving comments and testimony, adopt respectively the following resolutions:

- 1) **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-70 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA ADOPTING THE CITY'S OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-26**
- 2) **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-71 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA SITTING AS THE COMMISSION OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF POMONA, ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 HOUSING AUTHORITY BUDGET**
- 3) **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-72 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 TO FISCAL YEAR 2029-30 FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND ADOPTING A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-26**
- 4) **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-73 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA ESTABLISHING THE GANN APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT OF THE CITY OF POMONA PURSUANT TO ARTICLE XIII OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-26**
- 5) **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-74 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING APPENDIX A OF THE COMPENSATION PLAN FOR EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT GROUP A AND B EMPLOYEES BY ADDING THE CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR CLASSIFICATION**
- 6) **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-75 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING APPENDIX B OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE POMONA MID-MANAGEMENT/ CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION BY ADDING THE CLASSIFICATIONS OF ARTS IN PUBLIC PLACES PROGRAM MANAGER AND BUILDING & SAFETY SUPERVISOR**
- 7) **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-76- A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING APPENDIX B OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE POMONA CITY EMPLOYEES' CHAPTER OF THE TEAMSTERS LOCAL 1932 BY ADDING THE CLASSIFICATIONS OF SENIOR PLANS EXAMINER AND STORMWATER MAINTENANCE CREW LEADER**
- 8) **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-77 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE CITY OF POMONA'S SALARY SCHEDULE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 TO MEET THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS TITLE 2, SECTIONS 570.5 AND 571**

Finance Director Andrew Mowbray gave the staff presentation and Public Works Director McWade presented part of the staff presentation.

Vice Mayor Lustro opened the public hearing.

Public Speaker Jeffrey Michaelson gave comments about the presentation and suggested the City Council hold off on approving the item.

Public Speaker Karl Guthrie expressed concerns.

Vice Mayor Lustro closed the public hearing.

Councilmembers asked various questions and gave comments about the item.

Councilmember Martin expressed not being able to support the item due to the Police Department hiring freezes and the reduced library funds.

Vice Mayor Lustro gave closing comments regarding the budget challenges facing the City.

City Manager Scott gave comments to address concerns raised during the Public Hearing.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER PRECIADO, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER ONTIVEROS-COLE, CARRIED 4-2 (COUNCILMEMBER MARTIN AND COUNILMEMBER CANALES OPPOSED, MAYOR SANDOVAL ABSENT), to adopt Resolution No. 2025-70, Resolution No. 2025-71, Resolution No. 2025-72, Resolution No. 2025-73, Resolution No. 2025-74, Resolution No. 2025-75, Resolution No. 2025-76, and Resolution No. 2025-77.

ADJOURNMENT

The City Council meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m. on June 2, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

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

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