



CITY OF POMONA COUNCIL REPORT

July 6, 2026

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Anita D. Scott, City Manager

Submitted By: Karla Shipman, CMC, Acting City Clerk

**SUBJECT: OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS OF THE JUNE 2, 2026 PRIMARY
MUNICIPAL ELECTION**

RECOMMENDATION:

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-81 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, RECITING THE FACT OF THE PRIMARY MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD JUNE 2, 2026 DECLARING THE RESULT AND SUCH OTHER MATTERS AS PROVIDED BY LAW

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Pursuant to Sections 10262 and 10263 of the California Elections Code, the Elections Official shall certify the results to the governing body and the governing body shall adopt a resolution reciting the fact of the election, declaring the official results and such other matters as provided by law, no later than the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting following presentation of the canvass, or at a special meeting called for that purpose. Due to the City of Pomona's agenda posting deadlines defined in the City's Charter, the next regularly scheduled meeting for this item to be considered and approved after receiving the official canvass results from Los Angeles County was July 6, 2026.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact to this action at this time.

DISCUSSION:

On June 2, 2026, a Primary Municipal Election was held in consolidation with the Los Angeles County Local and Municipal Consolidated Primary Elections for the purpose of electing three

members of the City Council for Districts 2, 3, and 5, for the full term of four years and voting on the following measure:

- MEASURE Z – Pomona Kids First Funding Amendment. Shall the measure to amend the City Charter and adopt an ordinance amending the funding for the “Pomona Children and Youth Fund” Initiative (Measure Y) to provide guaranteed, measurable funding at 10% of the City’s Bradley-Burns Local Sales and Use Tax rather than a percentage of the City’s General Fund, and updating procedures to administer the Fund under the Act, be adopted?

The Los Angeles County Election Department conducted a canvass of all election returns and has verified that all ballots have been counted and accounted for. The Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk has certified the results and submitted the Official Canvass Certificate and Statement of Votes Cast. The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors declared the election results official on June 26, 2026. The results are marked as “Exhibit A” to the attached resolution (Attachment No.’s 1 & 2).

The canvass of this election verified that the number of registered voters in Pomona for this election was 80,289. For Measure Z, a total of 22,850 ballots were cast in the City (4,190 in precincts and 18,660 vote-by-mail), resulting in a 28% turnout. Voter turnout in the specific districts was as follows:

- District 2: 2,693 ballots cast out of 11,979 registered
- District 3: 2,538 ballots cast out of 11,543 registered
- District 5: 5,323 ballots cast out of 15,417 registered

Measure Z received 14,250 “yes” votes (67.10% of the total votes) and 6,986 “no” votes (32.90% of the total votes). Therefore, Measure Z was carried and shall be deemed adopted and ratified.

To determine the results of the Primary Elections for members of the City Council, Article IX, Sec. 901 (b) of the Pomona City Charter states:

“If any candidate for Mayor or Council receives a majority of all votes cast for Mayor or for a specific Council office, that candidate shall be declared elected and no general municipal election shall be held for that office. If no candidate for Mayor or for a specific City Council office receives a majority of all votes cast for that office, the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes for that office at the primary nominating election shall be the candidates and the only candidates for that office whose names shall be printed upon the ballots to be used at the general municipal election.”

For the office of District 2, no candidate received a majority of all votes cast. The following top two candidates will be placed on the ballot for the November 3, 2026 General Municipal Election:

- Victor Preciado – received 1,154 votes or 45.38% of the total casted votes for that office.
- Jacky Elizalde – received 840 votes or 33.03% of the total casted votes for that office.

For the office of District 3, Nora Garcia has been elected by a majority vote. Incumbent Councilmember Garcia received 1,681 votes or 71.87% of the total casted votes for that office. There will be no District 3 election in the November 2026 General Municipal Election.

For the office of District 5, LA County Registrar's office reported 5,323 ballots were cast of which 2,458 votes were cast for Yvonne Cobarrubias and 2,446 votes were cast for Elliot Rothman, leaving a difference of 419 votes that went to neither candidate. The City Clerk's office inquired with the LA County Registrar's office about the 419 ballots. Per LA County Registrar's office, those 419 ballots represent undervotes (voters who left the District 5 Council office blank) and overvotes (voters who selected more than one candidate, making the vote invalid). While votes for a qualified write-in candidate would have counted toward the denominator, LA County Registrar's office did not report any because no one had qualified as a write-in candidate in accordance with California election laws. Thus, to determine whether a candidate in the District 5 Council office primary election achieved the majority of all votes cast for this seat, a denominator of 4,904 was used rather than a denominator of 5,323 because the City Charter specifies all "votes cast for the specific Council office". Since the votes cast for candidate Cobarrubias was 2,458 of 4,904 votes cast for the Council office, that is 50.12%. Thus, Candidate Cobarrubias has been elected by a majority vote. There will be no District 5 election in the November 2026 general municipal election.

The City Council is required by State Law to adopt a resolution certifying the election results. The installation of the newly elected officers will proceed after the General Election results have been certified in December to allow for the current elected officials to complete their current term.

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ATTACHMENT(S):

Attachment No. 1 – Resolution No. 2026-81 – Declaration of Election Results
Attachment No. 2 – Exhibit A – Election Official's Certificate of Canvass