

City of Pomona

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, September 8, 2025

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

CLOSED SESSION

A) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9)

- 1. Case Name: City of Pomona v. Shell USA, Inc. et al.
- 2. Case Number: No. 2:24-cv-03957-MWF-SP
- 3. Action: Approval of Settlement

B) PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1))

City Manager

CALL TO ORDER

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

<u>CITY ATTORNEY REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION</u>

City Attorney Carvalho advised the City Council by vote of 6-0 (Vice Mayor Lustro absent) to receive a settlement in the amount of \$11,250,000 for Closed Session Item A.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Ontiveros-Cole led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Tim Sandoval

Councilmember Debra Martin Councilmember Victor Preciado Councilmember Nora Garcia

Councilmember Elizabeth Ontiveros-Cole

Councilmember Lorraine Canales

Absent: Vice Mayor Lustro

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 the Month of September 2025 as "Childhood Cancer Awareness Month" in the City of Pomona

*This item was moved to the end of the agenda as no one was present to receive the proclamation.

MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Canales attended the District 6 CommUnity Pull-Up event and gave thanks to God's Pantry for their assistance at the event. Councilmember Canales invited folks to attend the upcoming Second Saturday Art Walk in downtown Pomona. Lastly, Councilmember Canales thanked Pomona P.D.'s Quality of Life Unit and Public Works staff for their work.

Councilmember Garcia attended the City of Chino City Council meeting to give comments about a good neighbor policy for their general plan and was accompanied by Deputy Director of the Office of Economic and Business Affairs Ata Khan. Councilmember Garcia reminded folks to use the PomonaGo App to report illegal dumping incidents.

Councilmember Ontiveros-Cole discussed strategies to deal with weather of high temperatures, thanked Public Works for installing the roundabouts and thanked the Pomona P.D. Quality of Life unit. Lastly, Councilmember Ontiveros-Cole gave comments to honor the lives lost during the events of September 11, 2001.

Councilmember Martin gave thanks to Pomona Police, City Manager Scott, Public Works staff, and Cal Trans for addressing the Park and Ride parking lot. Councilmember Martin gave thanks to Parks and Recreation staff for addressing concerns about mulch at Ganesha Park. Councilmember Martin advised the lights at Soto Park needed repair and discussed safety concerns near Dudley Ave. Councilmember Martin attended various neighborhood potlucks to hear concerns of the residents.

Councilmember Preciado discussed a recent decision from the Supreme Court regarding the operation of Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Councilmember Preciado gave thanks to the City and Athens for hosting the Material Dump Day. Lastly, Councilmember Preciado invited folks to join basketball pick-up games at Centennial Park on the first and third Wednesdays of the month.

Mayor Sandoval commented on the Supreme Court's decision about the operations of Immigration and Customs Enforcement and requested the City Attorney to summarize the Supreme Court action.

City Attorney Carvalho gave a summary about the Supreme Court's action in the Noem V. Perdomo case regarding the activity and operation of the Immigration and Customs Enforcement federal agency.

Mayor Sandoval continued his comment after the City Attorney's summary and shared a quote from Justice Sonia Sotomayor regarding the action of the Supreme Court. Mayor Sandoval gave closing comment encouraging folks to support each other and connect with community.

CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Scott requesting Consent Calendar Item No. 2 be pulled and continued to a future meeting and provided the QR code for people to donate to the Pomona Compassion fund.

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:

Francisco Sanchez discussed an incident of harassment from neighbors.

Victoria Hahn requested a status update on the City's evaluation of Fire services.

William Lane, St. Paul Episcopal Church, requested funds from the City for services the Church provides to the community.

Renee Barbee, Compassionate Pomona, discussed the upcoming Kindness Carnival event and requested funding from the City to support the event.

Gwendolyn Blume, Serenity Senior Advocate Group, discussed concerns and challenges at the property and thanked Pomona PD for their responses.

Eunice Russell inquired if any process has begun to counter Measure Y or to balance out the effects of the measure, and spoke in opposition to Measure Y.

Jeffrey Michaelson spoke in support of vocational training to help folks get out of poverty.

Gustavo Ramirez thanked everyone for their support of the immigrant community, requested support and discussed Narcan distribution.

Enrique Sanchez discussed traffic concerns with speeding violations on Dudley.

Ron Trepp discussed concerns about the time limits of cars parked on public streets.

Alejandra discussed raising awareness of the rise of COVID infections, and the increased risks of long COVID.

M. Joyce Bakersmith thanked the Public Works' graffiti removal team and spoke in opposition to Measure Y.

*Items were heard in the following order: Consent Calendar Item No. 2, Item No. 6, Item No. 3, Item No. 5, Item No. 9, Balance of the Consent Calendar, Discussion Calendar Item No. 11, Discussion Calendar Item No. 12, Discussion Calendar Item No. 13.

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION BY MAYOR SANDOVAL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA, CARRIED 6-0 (VICE MAYOR LUSTRO ABSENT), to approve the entire Consent Calendar except for Item No. 2 was continued to a future meeting, and Items No. 6 and No. 9 pulled for public comment, Item No. 3 pulled by Councilmember Canales and Item No. 5 pulled by Councilmember Ontiveros-Cole.

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:

July 11, 2025 Special Closed Session Meeting Minutes July 21, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes MAYOR SANDOVAL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA, CARRIED 6-0 (VICE MAYOR LUSTRO ABSENT), to approve City Council/Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency Meeting Minutes of July 11, 2025 and July 21, 2025.

2. Approval of the Appointment of One Police Oversight Commissioner

It is recommended that the City Council approve the appointment of one (1) new commissioner of the Police Oversight Commissioner pursuant to Section 806 of the City Charter.

Public Speaker Eunice Russell asked City Council to review all applicants.

NO MOTION WAS MADE; THIS ITEM WAS CONTINUED TO A FUTURE MEETING.

3. Gold Line (A Line) Parking Protection Plan

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

- Approve the Gold Line (A Line) Parking Protection Plan and mitigation strategies;
 and
- 2) Authorize implementation of the mitigation strategies in the Gold Line (A Line) Parking Protection Plan, as appropriate.

Public Works Director Meg McWade gave a presentation.

Councilmembers asked various questions and gave comments.

MOTION BY MAYOR SANDOVAL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER PRECIADO, CARRIED 6-0 (COUNCILMEMBER LUSTRO ABSENT), to approve the Gold Line (A Line) Parking Protection Plan and mitigation strategies; and authorize implementation of the mitigation strategies in the Gold Line (A Line) Parking Protection Plan, as appropriate.

4. Approve a Sole Source Procurement with Grundfos CBS, Inc. for Pumping Equipment and Control Systems

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

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^{*}This item was continued to a future meeting.

^{*}Item was pulled by Councilmember Canales

^{*}This item was heard after Consent Calendar Item No. 6

- 1) Approve a sole source procurement with Grundfos CBS, Inc. for pumping equipment and control systems, for a five (5) year term; and,
- 2) Authorize the City Manager to approve purchase agreements, and any extensions thereto, on behalf of the City.

MAYOR SANDOVAL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA, CARRIED 6-0 (VICE MAYOR LUSTRO ABSENT), to approve a sole source procurement with Grundfos CBS, Inc. for pumping equipment and control systems, for a five (5) year term; and authorize the City Manager to approve purchase agreements, and any extensions thereto, on behalf of the City.

5. Authorize Staff to Seek Planning Grant Opportunities for the Palm Lake Golf Course Site

It is recommended that the City Council authorize staff to partner with Trust for Public Land (TPL) to submit planning grant applications for reenvisioning recreational uses at Palm Lake Golf Course.

*Pulled by Councilmember Ontiveros-Cole for questions.

*This item was heard after Consent Calendar Item No. 3.

Councilmember Ontiveros-Cole asked questions.

Community Services Manager Mike Osoff answered her questions.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER PRECIADO, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA, CARRIED 6-0 (VICE MAYOR LUSTRO ABSENT), to authorize staff to partner with Trust for Public Land (TPL) to submit planning grant applications for reenvisioning recreational uses at Palm Lake Golf Course.

6. Adopt a Resolution to Amend the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Operating Budget by Appropriating \$58,000 from the General Fund Reserves and Establishing the Compassion Fund

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

1) Adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-109 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 OPERATING BUDGET BY APPROPRIATING \$58,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND RESERVES AND ESTABLISHING THE COMPASSION FUND

- 2) Allow for the transfer in the amount of \$62,000 from the Mayor and Council's Discretionary Fund to the Compassion Fund; and
- 3) Authorize the City Manager, or her designee, to execute all required Funding Agreements and/or Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) to facilitate the Compassion Fund program with the awarding agencies.

The following public speakers gave comments expressing support of the item.

Ezequiel Cruz	Edwin Juarez	Drew	Alejandra
Maribel Q.	Alexis Teodoro	Maria G.	Luis Ramos
Fernando Salazar	Fanelly Milan	Miranda S.	J. Sambrano
Jorge Valenzuela	Naomi Chavez	César Tlatoáni Alvarao	

Carlos Reyes Martha Vasquez Jose Galeano

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Ramon Lorenzo was called to speak but was not present.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER ONTIVEROS-COLE, CARRIED 6-0 (VICE MAYOR LUSTRO ABSENT), to adopt Resolution No. 2025-109; and allow for the transfer in the amount of \$62,000 from the Mayor and Council's Discretionary Fund to the Compassion Fund; and authorize the City Manager, or her designee, to execute all required Funding Agreements and/or Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) to facilitate the Compassion Fund program with the awarding agencies.

Mayor Sandoval called a recess at 8:35 p.m. after Consent Calendar Item No. 6.

Mayor Sandoval resumed the City Council meeting at 8:39 p.m.

7. Hope Approval of Lot Line Adjustment LLA2-2023 Between the Properties Located at 1400 and 1444 W. McKinley Avenue, Pomona CA, Assessor Parcel Numbers 8360-030-029 and 8360-030-028, Related to Future Upgrades of Two Existing Residential Properties (Council District 1)

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

1) Adopt the following Resolution:

^{*}This item was pulled for public comment.

^{*}This item was heard after Consent Calendar Item No. 2.

^{*}Please see attachment for emails submitted regarding this item.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-103 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT LLA2-2023 BETWEEN THE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 1400 AND 1444 W. MCKINLEY AVENUE, POMONA CA, ASSESSOR PARCEL NUMBERS 8360-030-029 AND 8360-030-028

2) Authorize the City Engineer to sign the Lot Line Adjustment LLA2-2023 on behalf of the City of Pomona.

MOTION BY MAYOR SANDOVAL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA, CARRIED 6-0 (VICE MAYOR LUSTRO ABSENT), to adopt Resolution No. 2025-103; and authorize the City Engineer to sign the Lot Line Adjustment LLA2-2023 on behalf of the City of Pomona.

8. Provide the 2024 California Power Source Disclosure Attestation for Pomona Choice Energy

It is recommended that the City Council provide the attestation specified under California's Power Source Disclosure Program for Pomona Choice Energy.

MOTION BY MAYOR SANDOVAL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA, CARRIED 6-0 (VICE MAYOR LUSTRO ABSENT), for City Council to provide the attestation specified under California's Power Source Disclosure Program for Pomona Choice Energy.

9. Adopt a Resolution Accepting Los Angeles County Measure A Funds for the Operation of the City of Pomona Local Solutions Funded Programs

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

1) Adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-108 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF \$1,142,491 IN MEASURE A FUNDS FOR THE LOCAL SOLUTIONS FUNDED PROGRAMS AND AMENDMENT OF THE FY 2025-2026 OPERATING BUDGET

2) Authorize the City Manager to execute all agreements, amendments, and any other documentation requested for acceptance of the award, distribution of the funding and operation of the Local Solutions Fund and H4H Interim Housing Programs, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

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^{*}This item was pulled for public comment.

*This item was heard after Consent Calendar Item No. 5.

Public Speaker Jeffrey Michaelson gave comments to express concern with the operations at Hope 4 Home.

MOTION BY MAYOR SANDOVAL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA, CARRIED 6-0 (VICE MAYOR LUSTRO ABSENT), to adopt Resolution No. 2025-108; and, authorize the City Manager to execute all agreements, amendments, and any other documentation requested for acceptance of the award, distribution of the funding and operation of the Local Solutions Fund and H4H Interim Housing Programs, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

10. Award a Contract to Z&K Consultants for Construction Management and Labor Compliance Services for the Rehabilitation of 252 E. 4th Street, Pomona, CA

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

- 1) Approve an award of contract to Z&K Consultants for Construction Management and Labor Compliance Services for the rehabilitation of 252 E. 4th Street, Pomona, in the Amount of \$177,092; and,
- 2) Authorize the City Manager, or her designee, to execute the professional services agreement and any amendments thereto, subject to review by the City Attorney.

MOTION BY MAYOR SANDOVAL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA, CARRIED 6-0 (VICE MAYOR LUSTRO ABSENT), to approve an award of contract to Z&K Consultants for Construction Management and Labor Compliance Services for the rehabilitation of 252 E. 4th Street, Pomona, in the Amount of \$177,092; and, authorize the City Manager, or her designee, to execute the professional services agreement and any amendments thereto, subject to review by the City Attorney.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

11. Discussion Regarding Class 4 Bike Path Alternatives Along Arrow Highway and Pedestrian Improvements along North Garey Avenue Related to Light Rail "A" Gold Line and First Last Mile Improvements

It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction related to the following improvements:

1) Arrow Highway Two Direction Class 4 Separated Bike Lane Improvements (south side of street)

- a. Alternative 1 Southside bulb-outs around utility poles/impediments from Lordsburg Court to Fair Avenue and full Class 4 bike lane in current parking lane from White Avenue east to Lordsburg Court and Fair Avenue to eastern City limits
 - i. Preserve all parking between Lordsburg Court and Fair Avenue;
 - ii. Approve bulb-outs design concept (with easements, as necessary) along the south side of Arrow Highway with locations still to be determined; or
- b. Alternative 2 Northside bulb-outs into street around utility poles/impediments from Lordsburg Court to Fair Avenue and full Class 4 bike lane in current parking lane from White Avenue east to Lordsburg Court and Fair Avenue to eastern City limits
 - i. Preserves most, but not all parking between Lordsburg Court and Fair Avenue:
 - ii. Approve bulb-outs design concept around utility poles (no easements required) along the south side of Arrow Highway; or
- c. Alternative 3 Full Class 4 Bike lane in parking lane from White Avenue to eastern City limit
 - i. Approve loss of all existing parking on the south side of Arrow Highway;
 - ii. Authorize use of parking lane along south side Arrow Highway. There is no bulb-out or easement design concept to approve for this alternative.

Public Works Director Meg McWade gave the staff presentation.

Roy Choy from San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments gave comments about the item.

Councilmember Martin expressed support to preserve existing parking spots along Arrowy Hwy and asked questions about the item.

Councilmember Garcia expressed support for preserving parking, for re-pavement of Arrow Hwy, and for expanding sidewalks.

Councilmember Preciado asked questions and expressed support for continuing the bike lanes throughout all of Arrow Hwy.

Mayor Sandoval asked various questions.

Councilmember Canales expressed support for the repaving of Arrow Hwy and for the use of bulb-outs.

Councilmember Ontiveros-Cole asked questions about the item and expressed support for preserving parking spots.

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Mayor Sandoval proposed alternative one to preserve parking on Arrow and to direct staff to research whether parking could be established on Fair Ave and to approve the widening of the sidewalks on Garey Ave and the paving.

City Councilmembers gave additional comments and asked further questions.

MOTION BY MAYOR SANDOVAL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER MARTIN, CARRIED 5-1 (COUNCILMEMBER PRECIADO OPPOSED, VICE MAYOR LUSTRO ABSENT) to move forward with Alternative one; and to direct staff to research feasibility of creating parking on Fair Ave; and to approve the widening of the sidewalks on Garey Ave; and to approve paving of Arrow Hwy.

12. Award a Contract to LAZ Parking CA, LLC for City-Wide Street Sweeping Enforcement

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

1) Adopt the following resolution (Attachment No. 1):

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-116 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE FY 2025-26 OPERATING BUDGET BY INCREASING REVENUE ESTIMATES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$800,000 AND APPROPRIATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$436,061 FOR STREET SWEEPING ENFORCEMENT CONTRACT

- 2) Award a contract to LAZ Parking CA, LLC for city-wide street sweeping enforcement in the amount of \$1,337,065 for a three-year term from October 1, 2025, to September 30, 2028; and two (2), one (1) year extensions.
 - 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the street sweeping enforcement agreement and any amendments thereto, subject to review by the City Attorney.

Police Sergeant Maxwell Moya gave the staff presentation.

Councilmembers asked various questions.

Police Sergeant Moya and LAZ Regional Manager Nick Copati answered questions.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER PRECIADO, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA, CARRIED 6-0 (VICE MAYOR LUSTRO ABSENT), to adopt Resolution No. 2025-116; and award a contract to LAZ Parking CA, LLC for city-wide street sweeping enforcement in the amount of \$1,337,065 for a three-year term from October 1, 2025, to September 30, 2028; and two (2), one (1) year extensions; and Authorize the City Manager to execute the street sweeping enforcement agreement and any amendments thereto, subject to review by the City Attorney.

13. Designate a Voting Delegate and Alternate(s) for the 2025 League of California Cities Annual Conference

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

- 1) Designate a voting delegate and voting alternate(s) for the 2025 League of California Cities Annual Conference scheduled to take place on October 8-10, 2025; and
- 2) Direct Staff to complete the Voting Delegate Form through the League of California Cities online submission portal.

Mayor Sandoval asked Councilmembers if any one was planning on attending. With no responses, Mayor Sandoval recommended himself as the voting delegate and Councilmember Canales as the voting alternate.

MOTION BY MAYOR SANDOVAL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER CANALES, CARRIED 6-0 (VICE MAYOR LUSTRO ABSENT), to designate Mayor Sandoval as the voting delegate and Councilmember Canales as the voting alternate for the 2025 League of California Cities Annual Conference scheduled to take place on October 8-10, 2025; and direct Staff to complete the Voting Delegate Form through the League of California Cities online submission portal.

ADJOURNMENT

The City Council meeting adjourned at 10:24 p.m. on September 8, 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

From: Emily Miranda

To: <u>City Clerk; CityClerk@ci.pomona.ca.us</u>

Subject: Public Comment September 8 2025 Agenda Item 6

Date: Monday, September 8, 2025 3:42:15 PM

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of your organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Dear Mayor Sandoval and City Council,

My name is Emily Miranda, I am a concerned community member and educator in the city of Pomona. I writing in support of the passage of the Compassion Fund and to ask council members to follow Mayor Sandoval's lead and pledge all of their discretionary funds to the Compassion Fund. This fund will benefit so many directly impacted community members, youth and families affected by the immigration raids sweeping across our community. The recent decision of the Supreme Court to remove the temporary restraining order, allowing roving immigration raids to continue, creates an immediate threat to public safety, quality of life, and mental health for the youth and families in Pomona. I urge you to declare a state of emergency and use every resource at your disposal to oppose the abductions of our community members.

Sincerely, Emily Miranda