

City of Pomona

505 S. Garey Ave
Pomona, CA 91766

Regular Meeting Minutes

CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE



Committee Chair Latrice Jones
Vice Chair Angelica Morales
Committee Member Marcos Pineda
Committee Member Leticia Casillas Sanchez
Committee Member Francisco Sanchez
Committee Member Gwendolyn Blume
Committee Member Ron Cobas

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, February 19, 2026

6:30 PM

Chuck Bader Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Latrice Jones called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Committee Chair Jones led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Committee Chair Latrice Jones
 Committee Member Marcos Pineda
 Committee Member Leticia Casillas Sanchez (Arrived 6:40 p.m.)
 Committee Member Francisco R. Sanchez
 Committee Member Gwendolyn Blume
 Committee Member Ron Cobas

Absent: Committee Vice Chair Angelica Morales

STAFF PRESENT

Andrew Mowbray, Finance Director
Shar Perez, Revenue Operations Manager
Joan Kingston, Budget Officer

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

STAFF COMMUNICATION

1) Introduction of New Committee Member Gwendolyn Blume

2) Community Budget Meetings

These meeting will be held in the Council Chambers:

Monday, March 23, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

April 1, 2026 at 3:00 p.m.

CONSENT CALENDAR

3) Approval of the Meeting Minutes for the Regular Meeting Held on October 16, 2025

There was an error in the Meeting Minutes for October 16, 2025. The correction is on the first page under Roll Call: "Present: Committee Vice Chair Angelica Morales."

It is recommended that the Citizens Oversight Committee approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for October 16, 2025 with the afore-mentioned correction:

MOTION BY COMMITTEE MEMBER PINEDA, SECOND BY COMMITTEE MEMBER SANCHEZ, (COMMITTEE MEMBERS CASILLAS SANCHEZ AND VICE CHAIR MORALES ABSENT) CARRIED 5-0, to approve the October 16, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes with correction.

There was no public comment on this item.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

4) FY 2021-22 to FY 2025-26 Transaction and Use Tax (Measure PG) To Date

The Transaction and Use Tax to Date was presented by Revenue Manager, Shar Perez.

MOTION BY COMMITTEE MEMBER PINEDA, SECOND BY COMMITTEE MEMBER COBAS, (COMMITTEE MEMBERS CASILLAS SANCHEZ AND VICE CHAIR MORALES ABSENT) CARRIED 5-0, to Receive and File the FY 2021-22 TO FY 2025-26 Transaction and Use Tax (Measure PG) to Date.

There was no public comment on this item.

5) Sales Tax Update 3RD Quarter 2025 (July to September)

Revenue Manager Perez presented the Sales Tax Update.

Committee Member Casillas Sanchez arrived at the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Committee Members Cobas and Blume asked questions regarding if the consultant has helped and what the cost is. Revenue Manager Perez stated that the consultant looks at trends, and also finds businesses that underreport revenue. The consultants are paid by a flat rate of the items they are able to recover.

There was no public comment on this item.

MOTION BY COMMITTEE MEMBER PINEDA, SECOND BY COMMITTEE MEMBER CASILLAS SANCHEZ (VICE CHAIR MORALES ABSENT) CARRIED 6-0, to Receive and File the Sales Tax Update 3Q 2025 (July-September).

6) FY 2025-26 General Fund Mid-Year Budget Preview

Finance Director Mowbray presented the FY 2025-26 General Fund Mid-Year Budget Preview.

Committee Member Pineda inquired if the fire contract had been signed yet and how long it is for.

Director Mowbray stated that the Fire Contract is a long term contract for many years. The last fire contract was for 5 years which is just ending. The costs are estimated out over the five year term and on average are \$1.5 million a year.

There was no public comment on this item.

MOTION BY COMMITTEE MEMBER PINEDA, SECOND BY COMMITTEE MEMBER COBAS, (COMMITTEE VICE CHAIR MORALES ABSENT) CARRIED 6-0, to Receive and File the FY 2025-26 General Fund Mid-Year Budget Preview.

7) Budget Recommendation Discussion

Director Mowbray related that the Committee will have to discuss this. A person from the committee would participate in the sessions. All 7 of the members cannot be at the same meeting due to the Brown Act. Any resident can speak at the meeting.

Committee Member Casillas Sanchez indicated that in the past the committee had used the council priorities, however, this time, due to the budget deficit, the committee may not have any recommendations.

Finance Director Mowbray related that the council does have new priorities. The committee is encouraged to look at the council goals and priorities and if a member of the committee would like to speak, they can, or you may still attend and speak for yourself as a resident.

Committee Member Cobas inquired if a study on the out-sourcing of the Police Department had ever been completed.

Director Mowbray stated that one had been completed many years ago by a consultant.

It was related by Committee Member Pineda, that the last time the City talked about the outsourcing, the Sheriff's Department had been contacted. At that time, we would not have received the same number of Sheriffs as we have Police Officers.

Committee Members inquired about what Measure Z is about. Director Mowbray stated that Measure Y takes a certain percentage of the general fund which increases every year, and caps at 10%. The Proposed Measure Z would take a flat 10% of the Bradley Burns Sales Tax to help fund Measure Y.

There was no public comment on this item.

MOTION BY COMMITTEE MEMBER CASILLAS SANCHEZ, SECOND BY COMMITTEE MEMBER PINEDA, (COMMITTEE VICE CHAIR MORALES ABSENT) CARRIED 6-0, to Receive and File the Budget Recommendation Discussion.

8) Vote to Change Committee Time from 6:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

MOTION BY COMMITTEE MEMBER CASILLAS SANCHEZ, SECOND BY COMMITTEE MEMBER PINEDA, (COMMITTEE VICE CHAIR MORALES ABSENT) CARRIED 6-0, to change the Committee Meeting Time to 6:00 p.m. beginning with the April meeting.

9) Chair and Vice Chair Nominations

Francisco Sanchez volunteered to be Vice Chair. There were no other volunteers.

A VOTE was conducted: (COMMITTEE VICE CHAIR MORALES ABSENT) CARRIED 6-0, for Francisco Sanchez to be the Vice Chair of the Citizens Oversight Committee.

Leticia nominated Marcos Pineda. There were no other nominations.

A VOTE was conducted: (COMMITTEE VICE CHAIR MORALES ABSENT) CARRIED 6-0, for Marcos Pineda to be the Chair of the Citizens Oversight Committee.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMUNICATION

Committee Member Casillas Sanchez stated that she is working with the Pomona Community Foundation. They are relaunching their Pomona leadership network program and are looking for parents and individuals interested in early childhood 0-5 years. Applications are open. This is a Hybrid leadership program to shape early childhood systems. This leadership network program is for Parents, caregivers, educators, etc. Participants will build real skills and connect with other shaping childhood systems in Pomona, and they will receive an \$800 stipend for participation. Applications close on February 28.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Committee Chair Jones at 7:32 p.m. The next Citizens Oversight Committee meeting will be held on April 16, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the Chuck Bader Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

Brenda Karim
Senior Administrative Assistant

Latrice Jones
Chair of the Citizens Oversight Committee