



505 South Garey Avenue
Pomona, CA 91766

City of Pomona Planning Commission

Action Minutes

Chairperson Delana Martin-Marshall
Vice-Chairperson Andrew R. Kane
Commissioner Alfredo Camacho
Commissioner Marcos Molina
Commissioner John Ontiveros
Commissioner Philip Chu
Commissioner Edgar Rodriguez

Wednesday, February 25, 2026

7:00 PM

Council Chambers & Hyatt Regency Washinton on Capitol Hill, 400 New Jersey Ave, NW, Washington

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Delana Martin-Marshall called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Delana Martin-Marshall led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioner Alfredo Camacho
Commissioner Marcos Molina
Commissioner Philip Chu
Vice-Chairperson Andrew R. Kane
Commissioner Edgar Rodriguez (via teleconference)
Chairperson Delana Martin-Marshall

Absent: Commissioner John Ontiveros

Staff Present: Betty Donovanik, Development Services Director
Geoffrey Starns, Planning Manager
Vinny Tam, Supervising Planner
Alina Barron, Senior Planner
Max Pastore, Associate Planner
Irene Moure, Assistant Planner

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Oscar Mauricio, resident, voiced his concerns about the speed of drivers on Park Avenue & White Avenue and Wisconsin & Orange Grove Avenue intersections.

Jasmine Jimenez, resident & co-lead of a cycling group, is helping to host a bike safety audit on March 7, 2026. She said she lives near the bike lane on La Verne which is not useable due to illegal car parking. She stated what is the purpose of using taxpayer money, energy, & resources to install this bike lane if it is unusable. She mentioned how can residents believe that Pomona is progressive in their active transportation and mobility for all, when we are not putting it to practice with the existing structure that is in place.

Chair Martin-Marshall asked if staff can be looked at for complete streets.

Associate Planner Pastore that this project was with Public Works and Cal Trans through a grant. He said the primary concern is there are bulb outs between the buffer portion between the bike lane and park vehicle. This is where you will install the delineators, but Athens need to sweep this area.

Kari Guthrie, resident, mentioned that the Police Department does not enforce and 25 miles an hour does not make a difference. She is disappointed in the number of stores that sell alcohol.

COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS:

Commissioner Molina mentioned the Art Walk is coming up on March 14, 2026. Day One is hosting with Overspray, nonprofit organization, several sketching classes from 5pm-10pm at 175 E. Second Street.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. Approval of Action Minutes from the Planning Commission meeting of February 11, 2026.

Moved by Commissioner Molina, seconded by Chair Martin-Marshall, to approve. Motion carried (6-0-0-1).

Ayes: Camacho, Molina, Chu, Kane, Rodriguez, Martin-Marshall.

Noes: None.

Abstention: None.

Absent: Ontiveros.

In Opposition: None

In Support: None

DISCUSSION TIME: 1 minute (7:11 p.m. to 7:12 p.m.)

PUBLIC HEARING:

1. Conditional Use Permit (CUP-000583-2025) for 3024 W. Temple Avenue (APN: 8707-022-147)

Planning Manager Starns requested that the Commission continue the item to the meeting scheduled for March 11, 2026. The project planner had a family emergency.

Moved by Commissioner Molina, seconded by Commissioner Chu, to continue the item to the meeting scheduled for March 11, 2026. Motion carried (6-0-0-1).

Ayes: Camacho, Molina, Chu, Kane, Rodriguez, Martin-Marshall.
Noes: None.
Abstention: None.
Absent: Ontiveros.

In Opposition: None.

In Support: None.

DISCUSSION TIME: 1 minute (7:13 p.m. to 7:14 p.m.)

2. Zoning Code Amendment (CODE-000378-2025)

Planning Manager Starn asked the Commission to continue the item to a date uncertain due to a change in State law.

Moved by Commissioner Camacho, seconded by Commissioner Chu, to continue the item to a date uncertain. Motion carried (6-0-0-1).

Ayes: Camacho, Molina, Chu, Kane, Rodriguez, Martin-Marshall.
Noes: None.
Abstention: None.
Absent: Ontiveros.

In Opposition: None

In Support: None

DISCUSSION TIME: 1 minute (7:15 p.m. to 7:16 p.m.)

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Pomona Complete Streets Ordinance & Quick Build Project Update

Associate Planner Pastore presented this item.

1. Complete Street is equally mixed (balanced street) for bicycling, walking, refuge and shade, driving and walkable sidewalk.
2. Quick Build is changeable and removable. Considered: Orange Grove Avenue & Park Avenue for protected bikeway intersection. Road diet on Orange Grove (White to Garey) with Buffered Class II bike lane on Orange Grove. Modification of intersection protects pedestrians by keeping cars further away and more visibility.
3. All changes to existing street designs tie back to these policies: Street Classifications, Enhances Streetscapes, Truck Routes, Traffic Calming, Transit Corridors and Bike Network.
4. 29 Total Major Arterial Street Types, 32 Total Minor Arterial Street Types and 60 Total Collector Street Types
5. Most substantial changes are seen in Pomona's bikeway network.

6. Upgrade as much as we can away from Class III for the Bikeway Network
7. Emphasis on high-capacity buses on Holt Avenue
8. Garey Avenue is always going to have vehicular conflicts; it doesn't mean we shouldn't make improvements for bikes and pedestrians. Use parallel routes instead.
9. Potentially a Class I on Garey Avenue/Mission Blvd., creates a superhighway for bike and pedestrians, permanent on-street parking is no longer there, a lot of it is red line
10. Alternative 2 changes happen on Mission Blvd – off-peak on-street parking
11. Mentioned that this is a living document and we can make changes to it. Additionally, this will live in the Municipal Code.
12. Stakeholder outreach: Pomona Artwalk, Roosevelt Elementary Trunk-or-Treat, CAC meeting 1, Cal Poly ATC meeting, Chalk Art Festival, Metro Tabling at City Hall, TAC Meeting 1, Walk Audit 1 at Lincoln Elementary and Walking Tour with Christmas on Columbia
13. August is the end point of the Ordinance (Quick Build installation Jun-July)
14. Tabling at Palomares Park on February 26 at 5:30pm-7:00pm. Looking for feedback on Quick build, route network & intersection.

Supervising Planner Tam stated that a reduction from two lanes to one lane at the intersection of Orange Grove Avenue & Park Avenue protects pedestrians.

Commissioner questions/concerns:

1. The Commission agreed with staff's proposal at Orange Grove Avenue & Park Avenue
2. Commissioner Molina asked if there is a Leading Pedestrian Interval (LPI) at the intersection
3. Commissioner Chu asked how far away the school from the intersection is
4. Commissioner Chu asked how many of our local streets do not have sidewalks
5. Commissioner Molina asked about an overlay this with the Enhanced Data Path (EDP)
6. Commissioner Chu asked if there is a bike lane connectivity on Holt Avenue (West Valley connector)
7. Commissioner Molina asked about an upgrade of Garey Avenue to Class IV
8. Commissioner Camacho would like to see a consisted connection to Bonita to get to Claremont
9. Commissioner Kane stated will on-street parking be lost on northbound Garey continuing to La Verne
10. Commissioner Molina commented that it's difficult for folks to envision this concept
11. Commissioner Molina asked will there be a dedicated chapter on green space & tree canopy
12. Commissioner Camacho asked staff what are you capturing during engagement

Planning Manager Starns mentioned that there is an urban forestry manual that City Council approved and it has species of street trees for every street of the city.

Discussion only, no action taken.

DISCUSSION TIME: 1 hour 38 minutes (7:17 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.)

STAFF COMMUNICATION:

Planning Manager Starns stated that the Code Amendment will be brought to the Commission on April 8, 2026. We are in the process of having neighborhood meetings with all our historic district. Public Works will join us during the meeting to show the different types of light bulbs for Lincoln Park.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 P.M. to the meeting of March 11, 2026 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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