



# City of Pomona

505 S. Garey Ave  
Pomona, CA 91766

## Meeting Minutes

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

*Mayor Tim Sandoval  
Council Member Rubio R. Gonzalez  
Council Member Adriana M. Robledo  
Council Member Cristina Carrizosa  
Council Member Elizabeth Ontiveros-Cole  
Council Member Ginna E. Escobar  
Vice Mayor Robert S. Torres*

#### 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.*

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Monday, January 22, 2018

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

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**5:30 P.M.**

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

#### **Public Comment:**

#### **A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - PENDING LITIGATION (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1))**

Sabey v. City of Pomona  
Hijazi v. City of Pomona  
Singleton v. City of Pomona  
City of Pomona v. Gold Line Construction Authority

#### **B. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6)**

Part Time Unrepresented Employees  
Part Time General Employees Unit  
Unrepresented Group A and B Employees  
Unrepresented Mid-Management Group C-2 Employees  
Pomona City Employees' Association, a Chapter of Teamsters Local 1932  
Pomona Mid-Management Confidential Employees Association (PMMCEA)  
Pomona Police Officers Association (PPOA)  
Pomona Police Managers Association (PPMA)

Labor Negotiators: Linda Lowry and Linda Matthews

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**C. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS  
(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8)**

Property: 101 W. Mission Blvd.; APNs 8341-008-912, 913, 914 and 915  
Negotiating Party: Value Add Properties, LLC, John Pena, LLC and MCA Properties  
Successor Agency's Negotiator: Linda Lowry, City Manager  
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

Property: APNs 8349-002-900, 901 & 902 and 8349-003-900 1600 Block of W. Mission  
Negotiating Party: Golden Ticket Mission 71, LLC  
Successor Agency's Negotiator: Linda Lowry, City Manager  
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman stated that the City Council convened into Closed Session at 5:37 p.m., and that the items listed on the agenda had been announced prior to recessing into Closed Session. He stated that prior to recessing one member of the public spoke regarding 101 W. Mission Boulevard.

City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman reported the following:

All members of the City Council were present.

Item A: The first two matters were discussed, direction was provided to legal counsel; however, no final action was taken, and there was nothing further to report. The other two matters regarding Singleton v. City of Pomona and City of Pomona v. Gold Line Construction Authority will be discussed when the City Council recesses back into Closed Session following the open portion of the meeting.

Item B: This matter will be discussed when the City Council recesses back into Closed Session following the open portion of the meeting.

Item C: The first matter regarding 101 W. Mission Boulevard was briefly discussed, and further discussion will take place when the City Council recesses back into Closed Session following the open portion of the meeting, along with the item concerning 1600 W. Mission Boulevard.

**7:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The City Council meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

## **ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Tim Sandoval  
Council Member Rubio Gonzalez  
Council Member Adriana Robledo  
Council Member Cristina Carrizosa  
Council Member Elizabeth Ontiveros-Cole  
Council Member Ginna E. Escobar  
Council Member Robert Torres

## **STAFF PRESENT:**

Linda Lowry, City Manager  
Arnold Alvarez-Glasman, City Attorney  
Eva M. Buice, City Clerk  
Genoveva Rocha, Deputy City Clerk

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Sandoval led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER COMMUNICATIONS**

In accordance with AB1234, the Mayor and Councilmembers reported on the following:

Councilmember Escobar provided an update on her work with the Water Education for Latino Leaders (WELL) group, and noted that she would be making a presentation to 80 State legislators in Sacramento regarding the Human Rights to Water Act.

Councilmember Gonzales reported that he had attended the following events: Cops for Kids Graduation at Kingsley Elementary School and Emerson Middle School; Martin Luther King Peace and Unity March, Martin Luther King Project Awards at Pilgrim Congregational Church, Gangs to Grace Boxing Grand Opening, and the Red Cross Smoke Alarm event. He noted that they had installed 139 smoke alarms in District 1.

Councilmember Torres stated that he had attended the New Mayor and Councilmember Academy in Sacramento and had learned more about his role as a Councilmember, as well as how to work with staff to accomplish City Council goals and objectives. He noted that while he was there he had met with the City's lobbyist regarding City issues that were being negatively impacted by State laws and propositions.

Councilmember Robledo thanked Assembly Member Freddy Rodriguez for attending an event at the Club over the weekend. She stated that they had spoken about several areas of concern for the City, and would be bringing them to the City Council at a future time.

Councilmember Carrizosa congratulated Councilmember Escobar for the work that she had been doing regarding water issues as part of the WELL group. She also thanked the Police Department for the consistent work they had been doing to address issues on Holt Avenue.

Councilmember Ontiveros-Cole reported that she had attended the Cops for Kids Graduation at the Village Academy, and noted that it was a great opportunity for the students to learn more about the work of the Police Department.

Mayor Torres recognized Three Valleys Water District Board Member John Mendoza, and Pomona Unified School District Board Member Frank Guzman. He also recognized Vietnam Veteran Bulldog Jessie, and announced that they were working on an event to honor veterans, which would take place on March 31, 2018.

### **CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS**

City Manager Lowry announced that the Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count would take place on January 23, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. She encouraged the community to participate in the count, and advised that volunteers could obtain further information at the Ganesha Park Community Center.

City Manager Lowry also announced that Development Services Director Mark Lazaretto had been appointed as the City Manager for the City of San Gabriel, and that this meeting would be his last meeting with the City of Pomona. .

Development Services Director Lazzaretto thanked the City Council, City Manager Lowry, and his colleagues for working together for the good of the community. He stated that he had grown to love the community during his employment with the City of Pomona.

Councilmember Escobar thanked Director Lazzaretto for helping her throughout the years with an array of projects, and wished him and his family well.

Councilmember Robledo thanked Director Lazzaretto for putting the community first in all of the years he has been with the City of Pomona.

Councilmember Ontiveros-Cole stated that it had been a pleasure working with Director Lazzaretto, and that he had taught her many things in the year that she has served on the City Council.

Councilmember Gonzalez stated that it had been a pleasure working with Director Lazzaretto as a Commissioner on the Historic Preservation Commission and as a Councilmember.

Councilmember Carrizosa expressed her gratitude to Director Lazzaretto, and for helping the Council navigate through many projects throughout the years. She stated that Director Lazzaretto was a professional that brought his knowledge to a level that everyone could understand.

Mayor Sandoval thanked Director Lazzaretto for his service to the City, and for being customer service oriented, and that it showed in every interaction that he had with him, along with his patience and fairness. He stated that the City Council appreciated his service and dedication to the residents, and to the City of Pomona.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Douglas Pierce, Pomona, expressed concern with “Dreamers” being deported back to Mexico.

Juan Garcia, Cal Poly Student Government representative, announced that they were hosting a Town Hall event on February 7, 2018, and invited the City Council to attend. He noted that the goal was to encourage people to become more civically engaged in their communities.

Jorge Grajeda, Pomona, stated that he had a list of people that had been helping to clean up the City for many years, and requested that they be recognized for their efforts.

John Mendoza, Three Valleys Water District Board Member, advised that he had been appointed as the liaison between the City and the Water Board. He invited the City Council to attend the Water District’s Leadership Breakfast, “Fostering Innovations Within Utilities,” on January 31, 2018 from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. at the Sheraton Fairplex.

Dale Coleman, Fairplex representative, provided updates on upcoming events at the Fairplex.

Eunice Russell, Pomona, expressed concern with a proposed ordinance regarding wage issues at Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center (PVHMC), the need to bring commerce to the City, and with the issue of other cities sending their homeless individuals to Pomona.

Vernon Price, Pomona, expressed concern with a proposed living wage ordinance for PVHMC employees, and urged the City Council to provide for City workers prior to stepping into private business wage issues.

Jessie “Bulldog” Gonzales, Pomona, announced that an event honoring veterans and Gold Star mothers would take place on March 31, 2018.

Ian Pushla, Pomona Unified School District representative, expressed the need for the City and the School District to work together to hire a grant writer.

Victor Preciado, Pomona, announced that the Pomona Beautification Day 2018 would take place on May 12, 2018. He stated that projects could be submitted on the Pomona Beautification Day website, and encouraged everyone to volunteer to help make Pomona beautiful.

Randy Beckendam, Pomona, encouraged everyone to shop at the Pomona Farmers Market on Saturday mornings from 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. located in the parking lot of the Purpose Church. He noted that they would be meeting with the Inland Valley Hope Partners to look at ways to expand the market.

Elinor Crescenzi, Pomona, stated that she had submitted a draft resolution to the City regarding Zero Waste, and urged the City Council to schedule a presentation regarding the Zero Waste ordinance.

Dennis Walstrom, Pomona, stated that when homeless and mentally ill individuals were arrested, they could then receive help and treatment. He urged the Police Department to proceed with arrests in order for the homeless and mentally ill to obtain the help they needed.

M. Joyce Bakersmith, Pomona, thanked Interim Police Chief Oliveri for attending the Willie White Park Focus Group Neighborhood Watch meeting. She also thanked Councilmember Carrizosa and Councilmember Gonzales for attending the Martin Luther King Project Awards at Pilgrim Congregational Church.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

**MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER CARRIZOSA, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER ROBLEDO, CARRIED 6-0-1-0 (COUNCILMEMBER ESCOBAR ABSENT), to approve the Consent Calendar, Items No. 1-6.**

1. Award of Bid to Morton Salt for a Three-Year Term, with an Option to Renew for an Additional Two-Years, for the purchase of Sodium Chloride in the Amount of \$110.58 per Ton
2. Approve Purchase of an Esri Software Suite by Authorizing a Sole-Source Purchase of a Small Utility Enterprise License Agreement (ELA) for a Three-Year Term, for an Annual Amount of \$25,000
3. Award a Three Year Purchase Contract (with 2 optional One Year Extensions) to 10-8 Retrofit for Police Patrol Unit Build Outs in an Amount Not to Exceed \$19,597 for Each Police Patrol Unit Build Out
4. Award a Purchase Contract to Long Beach BMW Motorcycles for Three (3) BMW New/Replacement Motorcycles for the Police Department's Traffic Bureau in an Amount Not to Exceed \$89,192
5. Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of Continuum of Care Program Grant Award for Pomona Operation Porchlight-Rapid Rehousing Program from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Totaling \$604,936 in Grant Funding and Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with Volunteers of America, Los Angeles (VOALA) in the amount of \$575,897

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-5**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF TWO CONTINUUM OF CARE PROGRAM GRANT AWARDS FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT TOTALING \$604,936 IN GRANT FUNDING AND AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA, LOS ANGELES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$575,897**

6. Adopt a Resolution Approving the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS 18-19) for the Period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, Approving the Administrative Budget for the Same Period, and Authorizing the Transmittal of the ROPS and Administrative Budget to the Oversight Board for Approval

**RESOLUTION NO. SA 2018-1**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, SITTING AS THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2018 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2019, "ROPS 18-19" AND APPROVING THE ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET**

**DISCUSSION CALENDAR**

7. Finding of Public Benefit to the Community at Large: Recommended Expenditures and Recap of Approved Funds

**CURRENT REQUESTS:**

- A) Amount to be determined to the Pomona American Little League in support of the 2018 baseball/softball season - Amount requested: \$300
- B) Amount to be determined to the Pomona National Little League in support of the 2018 baseball/softball season - Amount requested: \$902

**MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER ROBLEDO, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER CARRIZOSA, CARRIED 7-0, to approve the Finding of Public Benefit to the Community at Large, Items A-B.**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

8. Request to Open the Public Hearing and Continue it to March 5, 2018 - General Plan Amendment (GPA 9043-2017) to amend the Adopted 2013-2021 Housing Element

**MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER ROBLEDO, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER CARRIZOSA, CARRIED 7-0, to open the Public Hearing regarding General Plan Amendment (GPA 9043-2017) to amend the Adopted 2013-2021 Housing Element, and continue it to the March 5, 2018 City Council meeting.**

9. Request to Continue Public Hearing - Tobacco Retailer License Ordinance

**MOTION BY MAYOR SANDOVAL, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER ROBLEDO, CARRIED 7-0, to continue the Public Hearing regarding the Tobacco Retailer License Ordinance to the February 26, 2018 City Council meeting.**

**MATTERS INITIATED BY CITY COUNCILMEMBERS**

Councilmember Gonzales inquired, and City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman informed, that the vote the City Council had taken on January 8, 2018, to hear the item regarding the SCIU UHW issue, was a valid vote as none of the City Council members were members of the SCIU, and none received wages under that union.

Councilmember Robledo asked, and City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman advised, that the decision was just to review and analyze the matter regarding the SCIU UHW initiative.

Mayor Sandoval requested that a Mayor's Committee be established to look at the issue of wages in the City of Pomona, and that it include a diverse group including small business owners, non-profit organizations, and residents. He asked that an item be brought back at the next City Council meeting regarding a Request for Proposals (RFP) for City Attorney services. Mayor Sandoval requested that an evaluation process be established for setting goals and work plans for the City Clerk and the City Manager. He noted that Consultant Bill Mathis had been working with the City Council, and asked that he be included in the process.

Vice Mayor Torres requested that a Labor Management Committee be considered to look at ways to cut costs and generate revenue, and that it include workers from various levels. He also requested that an ethics commission be established to look at City Council campaign contributions, and stipends from boards and commissions on which City Councilmembers sat, to determine if certain votes were in line with Conflict of Interests regulations.

Mayor Sandoval asked that the City Manager provide feedback to the City Council on how the requests for the various committees and commissions would impact the workload.

Councilmember Carrizosa requested that the statistics regarding traffic check points include the number of vehicles that were towed. She also requested that staff research placing a cap on the amount of funds that were provided to the Pomona Valley Transportation Authority. She expressed concern with the amount of time that many Public Works projects were taking to come to fruition. She asked that the City Council be provided updates on projects, and information on how the projects were prioritized. She noted that there was quite of bit of money in the Public Arts fund, and requested that staff look at using some of it to improve the bridge on First Street and in some of the medians.

City Manager Lowry advised that due to staffing shortages, the Cultural Arts Commission and the Public Arts funding had not been a priority. She suggested hiring an outside consultant to review the Public Arts ordinance, streamline the process, and that it be brought back to the City Council for input.



City Manager Lowry requested, and the City Council concurred, that the Zero Waste presentation be brought back for discussion on February 26, 2018.

**RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION**

The City Council recessed into Closed Session at 8:41 PM.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The City Council meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m. in memory of Dolores Reyes, a long time educator in the City of Pomona.

The next regular City Council meeting will be held on Monday, February 5, 2018, Closed Session will begin at 5:30 p.m. and the open session shall commence at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

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

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