

Vehicle Parking District  
Board of Parking Place Commissioners  
April 9, 2026

505 S. Garey Ave  
Pomona, CA 91766

**Regular Meeting Minutes**



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Regular Meeting Minutes  
Vehicle Parking District  
Board of Parking Place Commissioners**

*Chairperson Carolyn Hemming  
Vice-Chairperson Joseph Mladinov  
Commissioner Glenda Barillas  
Commissioner Brian Mundy  
Commissioner Alejandra M. Tessier  
Commissioner Manuel Vizcarra  
Commissioner Daniela Franco*

**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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Thursday, April 9, 2026

6:00 PM

City of Pomona Council Chambers

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Vehicle Parking District (VPD) Board of Parking Place Commissioners was called to order by Chairperson Hemming at 6:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Barillas.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Chairperson Hemming  
Vice-Chair Mladinov  
Commissioner Barillas  
Commissioner Mundy  
Commissioner Vizcarra – Arrived at 6:05 PM

Absent: Commissioner Franco  
Commissioner Tessier

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATION**

Chair Hemming informed the Commission that Pomona Day at the Fair will occur on the same date as the regularly scheduled May Commission meeting and recommended cancellation of the meeting. The Commissioners agreed, and it was determined that the next Commission meeting will be held on June 11, 2026.

Commissioner Barillas informed staff and the Commission that this would be her final meeting, as she would need to resign due to relocating outside of Pomona in June.

Vice Chair Mladinov discussed the recent meeting held with downtown business owners regarding the VPD fee study and recommended that at least one Commissioner attend future meetings to better understand and hear the concerns of the downtown business community. Vice Chair Mladinov also requested Brown Act training opportunities for newer Commissioners. He concluded his comments by noting that the Los Angeles Dodgers are currently tied for the best record in Major League Baseball and mentioned an upcoming Hello Kitty Night event.

Commissioner Vizcarra raised concerns regarding the parking situation in Lot 12 involving Bazaar, specifically noting that residential parking spaces are not being respected.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

***Motion by Vice Commissioner Barillas, Seconded by Vice-Chair Mladinov, carried 5-0, to approve items 1-4 on the Consent Calendar.***

1. Approval of the March 12, 2025 Vehicle Parking District Board of Parking Place Commissioners Regular Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of the Vehicle Parking District Revenue and Expenditure Report for March 2026
3. Ratification of the Sale of Four (4) New Vehicle Parking Permits Issued in March 2026
4. Receive and File the Vehicle Parking District Board of Parking Place Commissioners Attendance Report through March 2026

### **DISCUSSION CALENDAR**

5. Continued Discussion of Vehicle Parking District (VPD) Fees and Ongoing Citywide Fee Study

VPD staff held a VPD Fee Community Meeting on Tuesday, April 7, from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., with 13 attendees representing downtown businesses, tenants, and property owners. The purpose of the meeting was to gather community feedback regarding parking operations and proposed fee structures. Key feedback included requests for greater flexibility regarding time-of-use restrictions, consideration of fee waivers for community events, and the need for clearer

parking signage, including signage in both English and Spanish. Attendees also expressed concerns regarding citations issued to customers who exceed the two-hour parking limit, parking meters not consistently functioning properly, potholes within parking lots, and the need for street parking and VPD parking systems to operate under a unified platform. Additional ideas included increased parking costs after 7:00 p.m., notifications within the new parking application regarding rate changes, availability of a prepayment option within the app, and the impact of non-residential vehicles occupying residential parking spaces which limits parking availability for residents.

Commissioner Vizcarra referenced parking operations at Warners Theatre in Fresno, noting that parking fees are only charged on concert nights and parking is otherwise free after 5:00 p.m. Commissioner Barillas mentioned that the Rose Bowl in Pasadena charges \$40.00 for parking during events. Chair Hemming stated an interest in exploring a parking model like downtown Riverside.

### **STAFF COMMUNICATION**

Sylvia Gonzales, Management Analyst reported that a purchase order is being prepared for the installation of solar lighting in Lot 12. Ms. Gonzales noted she has continued working with Bazaar to obtain the required certificate of insurance (COI) and approval of the parking and operations plan for the Lot 12 valet parking agreement. Until the agreement is finalized, temporary permits have been issued for spaces 3–17 in Lot 12; however, no valet parking operations are authorized at this time. Any unauthorized valet activity should be reported to [VPD@pomona.gov](mailto:VPD@pomona.gov).

Ms. Gonzales further noted that the Western University amendment remains under review by Western University. Allied Universal submitted a request for one-day passes for the use of 150 parking spaces to accommodate staff transportation for the Coachella Music and Arts Festival. The request includes use of Lots 6 and 50 spaces in Lot 7 on April 16-20, 2026, and April 23-27, 2026, and is expected to generate \$3,000.00 in revenue for VPD. Additionally, the Fox Theater will utilize VPD Lots 15 and 20 on Saturday, April 25, 2026.

Staff also announced that the LAZ staff report is scheduled to be presented to Council at a future meeting.

Meg McWade, Public Works Director, thanked Commissioner Barillas for her work on the Commission.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

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Sylvia Gonzales,  
Management Analyst

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Carolyn Hemming,  
Chair of the Vehicle Parking District  
Board of Parking Place Commissioners