

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS

REGULAR MEETING

June 15, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council met in Regular Session at 5:34 p.m., Monday, June 15, 2026, in the Council Chamber located at 3191 Katella Ave., Los Alamitos, CA 90720, Mayor Doby presiding. Mayor Pro Tem Nefulda announced he would be participating remotely, per Government Code 54953, due to a contagious illness.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members: Hasselbrink, Loe
Mayor Pro Tem Nefulda, Mayor Doby

Absent: Council Members: Hibard

Present: Staff: Chet Simmons, City Manager
Michael Claborn, Chief of Police
Craig Covey, Chief Orange County Fire Authority
Michael S. Daudt, City Attorney
Eleanor Granflor, Deputy City Clerk
Craig Koehler, Finance Director
Emeline Noda, Rec. & Comm. Svcs/Intergovt. Affairs Director
Ron Noda, Assistant City Manager/Dev. Services Director
Windmera Quintanar, MMC, City Clerk/Director of Communications

3. CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Daudt read the items aloud.

A. Conference With Labor Negotiator

City Negotiator: Chet Simmons, City Manager
Employee Organization: Teamsters Local 911
Authority: Government Code Section 54957.6

B. Conference With Labor Negotiator

City Negotiator: Chet Simmons, City Manager
Employee Organization: Police Officers Association
Employees Authority: Government Code Section 54957.6

C. Conference with Labor Negotiator

City Negotiator: Chet Simmons, City Manager
Employee Organization: Executive Management, Non-Represented

Authority: Government Code Section 54957.6

D. Public Employee Performance Evaluation

Title: City Manager

Authority: Government Code Section 54957

E. Conference with Labor Negotiator

City Negotiator: Michael S. Daudt, City Attorney Employee: City Manager

Authority: Government Code Section 54957.6

F. Conference With Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code § 54956.9(d)(2), (e)(3): (1 case)

RECESS

The City Council recessed into Closed Session at 5:36 p.m.

RECONVENE

The City Council reconvened in Regular session at 6:02 p.m.

City Attorney Daudt Stated there was no reportable action.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Hasselbrink led the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. INVOCATION

Mayor Doby gave the Invocation.

6. PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Doby facilitated the listed presentations.

A. Presentation of Awards to the Annual Police Honorees for 2025 by Police Chief Claborn

B. Presentation of Certificates in Recognition of Parks Make Life Better Month to the Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission and the Recreation and Community Services Department

C. Presentation of a Certificate in Recognition of Being Featured in the Mayor's Business Spotlight to Soccer IQ Institute Representatives

D. Presentation Regarding Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) Voter Poll Executive Results by Probolsky Research

Adam Probolsky gave a presentation and answered questions from the City Council.

E. Presentation Regarding City Council Strategic Goals by Marie Knight, Knight Leadership Solutions

Marie Knight provided an overview of the process and provided a summary of the City Council's strategic goals for the next three years.

F. Introduction to the Community Regarding the New Business Alliance Program by the Development Services Department

Development Services Manager Irving Montenegro, Jr. and Management Analyst Matthew Lightner gave a PowerPoint presentation and answered questions from the City Council.

7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

At this time, any individual in the audience may come forward to speak on any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council. Remarks are to be limited to not more than five minutes per speaker.

Mayor Doby opened Oral Communications.

Frank Facey, Rossmoor Homeowners Association reported on the Rossmoor graduation parade and thanked Staff for it's support.

Mayor Doby closed Oral Communications.

8. UPDATES FROM THE MAYOR

At this time, the Mayor may report on items not specifically described on the Agenda that are of interest to the community, provided no action or discussion is taken.

Mayor Doby thanked the Recreation and Community Services support team, Department Secretaries Lauren Pavelec and Jewelina Miranda, for their assistance in the registration of over 1,000 summer program participants.

Mayor Doby invited the community to the America 250 Block Party, Thursday, June 25, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. on Pine Street.

9. UPDATES FROM THE CITY STAFF

At this time, City Staff may also report on items not specifically described on the Agenda that are of interest to the community, provided no action or discussion is taken except to provide direction to Staff to place an item on a future agenda.

City Manager Simmons stated there was nothing to report.

10. WARRANTS

A. Warrants (Finance)

The attached Warrant Register contains checks and electronic fund transfers for the period from May 1 to May 31, 2026.

Motion/Second: Hasselbrink/Loe

Unanimously Carried: The City Council ratified the Warrants from May 1 to May 31, 2026, for \$1,625,850.81.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Doby	Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Nefulda	Aye
Council Member Hasselbrink	Aye
Council Member Hibard	Absent
Council Member Loe	Aye

11. CONSENT CALENDAR

All Consent Calendar items may be acted upon by one motion unless a Council Member requests separate action on a specific item.

Motion/Second: Hasselbrink/Loe

Unanimously Carried: The City Council approved the following Consent Calendar Items:

A. Approval of Minutes (Administration)

Approved the City Council Minutes of April 20, 2026, and Adjourned Regular City Council Minutes of May 26, 2026.

B. Adoption of City Council Strategic Objectives (Administration)

Council has actively participated in the strategic planning process, providing direction, feedback, and consensus throughout. The proposed strategic goals reflect the priorities identified during this collaborative effort. Adoption of these goals will formalize the shared vision and guide organizational focus, resource allocation, and policy decisions moving forward.

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2026-22, entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE CITY'S STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES".

C. Resolutions Pertaining to the November 3, 2026 General Municipal Election (Administration)

The City of Los Alamitos General Municipal Election will be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026. It is the City's practice to consolidate the local election with the County of Orange. To enable such consolidation, it is necessary to adopt resolutions calling and giving notice of the election,

requesting consolidation with the County, and adopting regulations pertaining to materials prepared by any candidate for a municipal election, including costs of candidates' statements.

The City Council:

1. Adopted Resolution No. 2026-12, entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, CALLING FOR THE HOLDING OF A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2026, FOR THE ELECTION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AS REQUIRED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THE CITY'S CHARTER AND FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF A QUESTION RELATING TO HOTEL TAX MEASURE (TOT MEASURE)"; and,
2. Adopted Resolution No. 2026-13, entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF ORANGE TO CONSOLIDATE A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2026, WITH THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE DATE PURSUANT TO § 10403 OF THE ELECTIONS CODE"; and,
3. Adopted Resolution No. 2026-14, entitled "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE PERTAINING TO CANDIDATES STATEMENTS SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2026"; and,
4. Adopted Resolution No. 2026-15, entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, SETTING PRIORITIES FOR FILING WRITTEN ARGUMENTS REGARDING A CITY MEASURE AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE AN IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS"; and,
5. Adopted Resolution No. 2026-16, entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, PROVIDING FOR THE FILING OF REBUTTAL ARGUMENTS FOR CITY MEASURES SUBMITTED AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS".

D. Resolution No. 2026-18 - Annual Appropriations Limit for Fiscal Year 2026-27 (Finance)

Article XIII B of the California Constitution specifies the amount of allowable revenue the City of Los Alamitos can appropriate from the proceeds of taxes.

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2026-18, entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-27."

E. Los Alamitos Museum Association: Proposed Schedule, Yearly Recap, and Budget (Development Services)

The Los Alamitos Museum Association's proposed schedule, yearly recap, activity plan, and budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 are being presented to the City Council for review and approval.

The City Council:

1. Approved the Los Alamitos Museum Association's proposed schedule, activity plan, and budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027; and,
2. Authorized the City Manager or his designee to approve any change to the schedule, activity plan, and budget, as needed.

F. General Plan and Housing Element Annual Progress Reports (Development Services)

Government Code Sections 65400 and 65700 require cities to submit an Annual Progress Report (APR) on the implementation of their General Plan. The City is also required to submit an Annual Progress Report each year on the status of the Housing Element implementation of the General Plan in a format adopted by the Governor's Office of Land Use & Climate Innovation. This item requests that the Council receive and file the Reports for submittal to the appropriate State agencies.

The City Council received and filed the 2025 General Plan Annual Progress Report and the 2025 Housing Element Annual Progress Report.

G. Resolution No. 2026-17 - Local Synchronization Plan for Measure M (M2) Program and 7-Year Capital Improvement Plan (Development Services)

Annual submittal of Measure M2 eligibility documentation to the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) is required to remain eligible to receive Measure M2 sales tax revenue funds. The submittal documentation this year requires City Council approval of an updated Measure M2 Seven-Year Capital Improvement Program and adoption of a resolution attesting to the update to the Local Signal Synchronization Plan (LSSP).

The City Council:

1. Approved and authorized Staff to submit the Measure M2 Seven-Year Capital Improvement Program for Fiscal Years 2026/27 through 2032/33, to the Orange County Transportation Authority to comply with Measure M2 eligibility criteria; and,
2. Adopted Resolution No. 2026-17, entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, CONCERNING THE UPDATE OF THE LOCAL SIGNAL SYNCHRONIZATION PLAN FOR THE MEASURE M (M2) PROGRAM".

H. Resolution No. 2026-19 - Approving Fiscal Year 2026/27 Project List for SB-1 Funds (Development Services)

The City of Los Alamitos receives transportation funding from the State in the form of grants or direct allocation of Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax (Gas Tax) through the Highway Users Tax Account (HUTA). The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (SB1) provides funding for the maintenance and repair of local streets and roads through a Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA). To be eligible for funding, the City must submit a proposed project list to the California Transportation Commission along with a resolution documenting the approval of the City's amended Capital Improvement budget to include the project to receive RMRA funding. Staff recommends the use of the RMRA funding for road improvements for the Various Local Street Improvements Project FY 2026-27, CIP 26/27-01, in the estimated amount of \$337,000.

The City Council:

1. Determined that the proposed capital improvement project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Sections 15060(c)(2) and 15060(c)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines because it will not result in a physical change to the environment, directly or indirectly; and,

2. Adopted Resolution No. 2026-19, entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING A LIST OF PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 FUNDED BY SB 1: THE ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017 FOR A TOTAL BUDGET OF \$337,000".

I. Resolution No. 2026-21 - Caltrans Title VI Non-Discrimination Plan (Administration)

The City Council will consider adopting the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Citywide Title VI Non-Discrimination Plan as required per the Federal Highway Association (FHWA) standards for federal-aid highway funds. Through this requirement, transit agencies that are in receipt of federal funds are expected to comply with various non-discrimination laws and regulations, including Title V of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VI). The citywide language access plan is a comprehensive document that outlines how a city will provide communication assistance services to individuals who are non-English speaking, have limited English proficiency (LEP), or have communication disabilities.

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2026-21, entitled "A RESOLUTION OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS CALTRANS TITLE VI NON-DISCRIMINATION PLAN".

J. Award Bid to Pacific Power Engineering Technology Inc. for the 100KW Emergency Generator Project (CIP 24/25-13) (Development Services)

This item awards the bid for purchase and installation of a new portable 100KW emergency generator (CIP 24/25-13) for the Police Department and City Hall IT Services. This unit will replace the current aging generator and improve the reliability of the power infrastructure serving these critical facilities.

The City Council:

1. Awarded the purchase and installation contract to Pacific Power Engineering Technology, Inc for the 100KW Emergency Generator Project (CIP 24/25-13) in the amount of \$277,000.00; and,
2. Authorized the Mayor to execute the contract with Pacific Power Engineering for the 100KW Emergency Generator Project (CIP 24/25-13); and,
3. Authorized the City Manager or his designee, to approve and execute change orders as needed, in an amount not to exceed \$27,700 (10% construction contingency).

K. Award Bid to Onyx Paving Company Inc. for the CDBG Street Improvements on Reagan Street Project (CIP 25/26-06) (Development Services)

This item recommends awarding the construction bid for the Reagan Street Improvement Project (CIP 25/26-06) as a part of the City's ongoing pavement management program. The City proposes to grind and overlay Reagan Street (residential street) from Farquhar Avenue to Katella Avenue.

The City Council:

1. Awarded the construction contract to Onyx Paving Company, Inc. for the Reagan Street Project (CIP 25/26--06) in the amount of \$456,000.00; and,
2. Authorized the Mayor to execute the contract with Onyx Paving Company for the Reagan Street Project (CIP 25/26-06); and,
3. Authorized the City Manager or his designee to approve and execute change orders as needed, in an amount not to exceed \$45,600.00 (10% construction contingency); and,
4. Adopted Resolution No. 2026-20, entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, APPROPRIATING \$125,200 OF GAS TAX FUNDS TO THE REAGAN STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (CIP 25/26-06)"

L. Approval of Animal Control and Sheltering Services Agreement with Orange County Animal Care (Development Services)

The City's current agreement for animal control and sheltering services with Long Beach Animal Care Services (LBACS) is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2026. In preparation, staff reviewed the proposed contract extension from LBACS, contacted Orange County Animal Care (OCAC) Services, and other potential providers. Based on the information received, staff determined that the two viable options are to continue services with LBACS or transition to OCAC. While both agencies offer comprehensive animal control and sheltering services, OCAC is estimated to provide these services at a lower annual cost while providing a higher level of service. Staff recommends OCAC as the preferred service provider moving forward.

The City Council authorized the Mayor to execute the Agreement with Orange County Animal Care (OCAC) for animal control and sheltering services in the estimated amount of \$97,100 annually for a five-year term. The annual cost will fluctuate based on OCAC's service levels and the number of participating cities in the County's services each year.

12. DISCUSSION ITEM

A. **Consideration of the Process for City Council Submission of a Ballot Argument in Favor of a Los Alamitos Hotel Tax (TOT Measure) (Administration)**

The City is considering placing a ballot measure regarding the Los Alamitos Hotel Tax (TOT Measure) at the November 3, 2026, election. If the measure is placed on the ballot, the arguments for and against the measure must be submitted to the City Clerk by June 30, 2026. Accordingly, the City Council must decide whether some or all of the Council Members would like to submit an argument in favor of the ballot measure and, if so, draft and approve the text of a ballot argument. Due to the constraints of the Brown Act, the development or approval of a ballot argument by more than two Council Members must occur at a noticed public meeting. Accordingly, advance consideration of the process for developing and approving arguments will help avoid a last-minute crisis or missed opportunity.

City Manager Simmons summarized the Staff report.

Motion/Second: Doby/Hasselbrink

Unanimously Carried: The City Council authorized the Mayor and Mayor Port Tem to submit a ballot argument by two or fewer Council Members in favor of the Los Alamitos Hotel Tax.

B. **Resolution No. 2026-23 – Personnel and Benefit Changes for Non-Represented Employees (Administration)**

This report outlines and seeks consideration to approve benefit changes for Non-Represented Employees.

City Manager Simmons summarized the Staff report.

Motion/Second: Loe/Hasselbrink

Unanimously Carried: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2026-23, entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE SALARIES AND BENEFITS FOR THE EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT AND NON-REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES".

13. COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

At this time, Council Members may also report on items not specifically described on the Agenda that are of interest to the community, provided no action or discussion is taken except to provide Staff direction to report back or to place the item on a future Agenda.

Council Member Loe stated there was nothing to report.

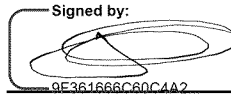
Council Member Hasselbrink reported her attendance at the Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC) Board Meeting, Rossmoor Graduation Parade, and reported that the firework stands will open on July 1, 2026, at the Vons shopping center and Ganahl Lumber.

Mayor Pro Tem Nefulda reported his attendance at the Orange County Sanitation District (OC San) Board Meeting, Rossmoor Graduation Parade, and the Los Alamitos High School Commencement Ceremony.

Mayor Doby reported her attendance at the Orange County Council of Governments (OCCOG) Conference, OCCOG Board Meeting, a Boy Scout Tour held in the Council Chamber, Rossmoor Graduation Parade, Los Alamitos High School Commencement Ceremony, League of California Cities (Cal Cities) Policy Committee Meeting, Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Regional Planning Meeting, a tour of OC Vibe with Assistant City Manager Ron Noda through Association of California Cities – Orange County (ACC-OC), OC San Administration Meeting, and the Sunburst Youth Academy Graduation.

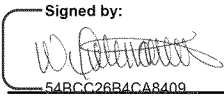
14. **ADJOURNMENT**

The City Council adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Signed by:

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Tanya Doby, Mayor

Attest:

Signed by:

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Windmera Quintanar, MMC, City Clerk