



AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING

LA PALMA CITY COUNCIL

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2025

Mark I. Waldman
Mayor

Nitesh P. Patel
Mayor Pro Tem

Debbie S. Baker
Council Member

Janet Keo Conklin
Council Member

Vikesh P. Patel
Council Member

5:30 PM Closed Session
6:30 PM Open Session
La Palma City Hall
Council Chambers
7822 Walker Street, La Palma

CALL TO ORDER

CLOSED SESSION

**CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
(Pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)**

Claim No. 3052765, regarding physical and emotional injury.

Claimants: Aini, Alamour, Alrefai, Anabtawi, Assfour, Aweinat, Chang, Gradoni, Habbas, Haley, Hammad, Hernandez, Hijazi, Huskey, Kapogianis, Kharal, Mendoza, Monreal, Nasordeen, Nguyen, Plaskon, Valez, Yu, Zadrar, and Zegar.

**CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
Pursuant to Government Code section 54957.6.**

Agency Designated Representatives: Conal McNamara, City Manager
Ryan Hallett, Assistant City Manager

Steve Filarsky, Labor Attorney
Mike Matsumoto, Financial Consultant

Employee Organizations: La Palma General Employees Association
La Palma Police Association
La Palma Professional Employees Association
Unrepresented Employees: Executive Management

CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
(Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2), (e)(2))

1 case – Proposed AT&T Tower at 8415 Meadowlark

CS-4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
(Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1))

Name of Case: Sarkis Tatarian v. City of La Palma, et al.
Case No. OCSC 30-2024-01375931-CU-WM-CJC

OPEN SESSION TO BEGIN AT 6:30 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Baker

INVOCATION

Pastor Matthew Agosto, City Church
Council Member Keo Conklin

ROLL CALL

PRESENTATIONS

- Proclamation in Recognition of Korean-American Day
- Presentation to Employee of the Year to Dani Hernandez
- Presentation to Supervisor/Professional Employee of the Year to Jason Hong

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (Time Limit: 5 Minutes Each)

Time has been reserved at this point in the Agenda for persons wishing to speak on any item that is not listed on the Agenda. By law, the City Council is prohibited from taking action on such oral comments. The matter will be automatically referred to staff for appropriate response or action or will be placed on the Agenda of a future meeting. Matters listed on the Agenda may be addressed either at this time or at the time they are before the City Council for discussion.

CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed under Consent Calendar will be acted upon by one motion affirming the action recommended on the Agenda. There will be no separate discussion on these items prior to voting unless members of the City Council, Staff, or the public request that specific items be removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action. Any member of the public who wishes to discuss a Consent Calendar item should come forward to the microphone and, upon recognition by the Mayor, state their name, address, and the item number.

1. Waive the Reading of All Ordinances

It is recommended that the City Council waive the reading of all Ordinances in their entirety and read by title only.

2. Approval of Council Minutes

It is recommended that the City Council approve the Minutes of the December 10, 2024, Regular Meeting of the City Council.

3. Approval of Register of Demands

It is recommended that the City Council adopt a Resolution approving the Registers of Demands for December 17, 2024, and January 7, 2025.

4. Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024

It is recommended that the City Council receive and file the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) of the City of La Palma for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2024.

5. First Quarter Operating Report, Fiscal Year 2024-25

It is recommended that the City Council receive and file the First Quarter

Operating Report, Fiscal Year 2024-25.

6. **Resolution Amending the Salary for Part-Time Employees**

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the attached Resolution amending salaries for certain part-time positions.

7. **Award Professional Services Agreement to Willdan Financial Services to Conduct a Water & Sewer Rate Study**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Award a professional services agreement in an amount not to exceed \$43,000 to Willdan Financial Services to prepare a Water and Sewer Rate Study;
2. Authorize a 15% contingency for unforeseen needs; and
3. Authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute all required documents.

8. **2025 Legislative Platform**

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the City of La Palma's 2025 State and Federal Legislative Platform.

9. **Appointments to Citizen Committees**

It is recommended that the City Council take the following actions:

1. Reappoint Irene Hesse and appoint Janelle Frese to the Community Activities and Beautification (CAB) Committee, both with a four-year term expiring December 31, 2028.
2. Reappoint Rodi Alemendralo, Sergio Alvarez, Henry Lee, and Greg Sambrano and appoint Dee Vincenti to the Development and Circulation Committee (DCC), all with four-year terms expiring December 31, 2028.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

REGULAR ITEMS

10. **Council Member Request - Revisit Live Video Streaming of La Palma**

Council Meetings

It is recommended that the City Council consider Council Member Keo Conklin's request and discuss the matter.

11. City Council Code of Conduct Policy Discussion

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt the attached resolution approving Policy 1: City Council Code of Conduct.

COUNCIL MEMBER AB1234 REPORTS, REPORTS FROM CITY-AFFILIATED COMMITTEES, AND COUNCIL REMARKS

CITY MANAGER REMARKS

CITY ATTORNEY REMARKS

ADJOURNMENT

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