

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE LA PALMA CITY COUNCIL
July 9, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Waldman called the Special Meeting of the La Palma City Council to order at 4:01 p.m. in the Council Chambers of La Palma City Hall, 7822 Walker Street, La Palma, California.

CLOSED SESSION

- CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of California Government Code Section 54956.9
June 2, 2025, Claim from Unispec Construction, Inc.
- CS-2. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT/RECRUITMENT
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)
Position Title: City Manager

Mayor Waldman recessed the Open Session and convened the Closed Session at 4:01 p.m. Mayor Waldman adjourned Closed Session at 4:32 p.m.

OPEN SESSION TO BEGIN AT 5:00 P.M.

Mayor Waldman reconvened in Open Session at 5:00 p.m. and asked for a report out of Closed Session.

City Attorney Ajit Thind reported regarding Item C-1, there was a 4-0 vote, with Council Member Keo absent, to reject the claim and there was no reportable action on Item C-2.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member V. Patel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Council Members Present:	Council Member Baker, Council Member V. Patel, Mayor Pro Tem N. Patel, and Mayor Waldman
Council Member Absent:	Council Member Keo
City Officials Present:	Mike Egan, Interim City Manager Ajit Thind, City Attorney Joe Cisneros, Deputy City Manager Belinda Deines, Community Development and Public Works Director Joe Guerrero, Police Chief Jesse Amend, Police Captain Norma Alley, City Clerk

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

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. Approval of Council Minutes: Minutes of the June 3, Regular Meeting of the City Council.
2. Adopt a Revised Resolution Identifying the Road Repair and Accountability Act List (SB 1) of Projects for Fiscal Year 2025-26: Resolution No. 2025-34 approving the list of Street-Improvement Projects to be funded by Senate Bill 1 (SB 1), The Road Repair and Accountability Act, for Fiscal Year 2025-26.
3. 4th Annual Festival of Nations Contracts and Street Closures
 1. Approve and authorized the Interim City Manager to execute agreements and related documents with James Events Productions, Inc. for the provision of vendor booths, amusement rides, attractions, and game booths for the Festival of Nations event on September 20, 2025; and
 2. Approve Resolution No. 2025-35 approving street closures for the Festival of Nations Parade to be held on Saturday, September 20, 2025, along Walker Street.

Mayor Pro Tem Nitesh Patel made a motion to approve Consent Calendar Items 1-3. The motion was seconded by Council Member Baker and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Council Member Baker, Mayor Pro Tem Nitesh Patel, Council Member Vikesh Patel, and Mayor Waldman

NOES: None

ABSENT: Council Member Keo

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None Scheduled.

REGULAR ITEMS

4. Body-Worn Camera and In-Car Video System Vendor Change

Police Captain Amend provided a brief summary of the staff report and recommended the City Council approve and authorize the Interim City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement with Motorola Solutions, Inc. (Watch Guard) to provide the La Palma Police Department with Body-Worn Camera and In-Car video systems.

Mayor Waldman called for public comment. Seeing no one come forward, he closed public comment.

Mayor Pro Tem Nitesh Patel made a motion to approve and authorize the Interim City Manager, or designee, to execute the agreement. The motion was seconded by Council Member Baker and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Council Member Baker, Mayor Pro Tem Nitesh Patel, Council Member Vikesh Patel, and Mayor Waldman

NOES: None

ABSENT: Council Member Keo

5. Council Member Request: Veteran's Day Event

Deputy City Manager Cisneros summarized the staff report, requested the City Council provide direction to staff on hosting a Veterans Day community event, and fielded inquiries from the City Council regarding costs and logistics.

Mayor Waldman called for public comment. Seeing no one come forward, he closed public comment.

Discussion commenced amongst the Council in support and directed staff to research and bring back to the Council approval of hosting a Veteran's Day Event.

CITY MANAGER REMARKS

Interim City Manager Egan had nothing to report.

CITY ATTORNEY REMARKS

City Attorney Thind had nothing to report.

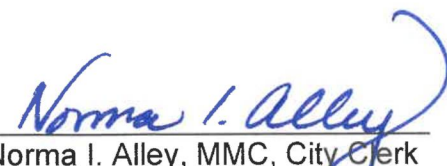
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Waldman adjourned the Special Meeting of the La Palma City Council at 5:25 p.m.



Mark I. Waldman, Mayor

ATTEST:



Norma I. Alley, MMC, City Clerk