

MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA

ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING 5:30 P.M. & REGULAR MEETING 6:30 P.M.

Monday, October 20, 2025

ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING 5:30 P.M.: Cancelled.

REGULAR MEETING 6:30 P.M.:

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Espinoza called the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of La Habra to order at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber, located at 100 East La Habra Boulevard, La Habra, California.

INVOCATION: City Attorney Collins

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Pro Tem Medrano

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Espinoza
Mayor Pro Tem Medrano
Councilmember Gomez
Councilmember Nigsarian
Councilmember Lampkin

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT: City Manager Sadro
City Attorney Collins
Assistant City Manager Yap
Management Analyst II Hurt
City Clerk Barone
Assistant City Clerk Lopez

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT: None.

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

1. RECOGNITION OF THE LA HABRA POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM ORANGE COUNTY FOURTH DISTRICT SUPERVISOR DOUG CHAFFEE

Orange County Fourth District Supervisor Chafee announced the Anonymous Gun Buyback event to be held on Saturday, November 8, 2025, and the County of Orange Free Gun Lock Program.

City Council thanked Supervisor Chaffee for his work with the La Habra community.

2. PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION TO THE LA HABRA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT AND LOWELL JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENTS WHO HAD PERFECT TEST SCORES ON THE 2025 CALIFORNIA ASSESSMENT OF STUDENT PERFORMANCE AND PROGRESS

Mayor Espinoza and City Council presented Certificates of Recognition to the La Habra City School District and Lowell Joint Unified School District students.

3. PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION TO THE LA HABRA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT AND LOWELL JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT TEACHERS OF THE YEAR AND CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES OF THE YEAR

Mayor Espinoza and City Council invited La Habra City School District Superintendent Dr. Mario Carlos and Lowell Joint Unified School District Acting Superintendent Rhonda Overby to the podium to present Certificates of Recognition to the Teachers of the Year and Classified Employees of the Year.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Juana Avila, La Habra resident, spoke.

Chirag Patel, La Habra Business Owner, spoke.

Richard Trujillo, La Habra Business Owner, spoke.

Mary Bosch, La Habra Business Owner, spoke.

Linnette Falcon, President of the La Habra Area Chamber of Commerce, spoke.

Chloe Medina, La Habra resident, spoke.

Giselle Vela, La Habra resident, spoke.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Moved by Councilmember Gomez, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Medrano, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0) TO APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS 1 THROUGH 6.

Said motion CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Espinoza, Mayor Pro Tem Medrano,
Councilmember Gomez, Councilmember Nigsarian, Councilmember Lampkin

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

1. PROCEDURAL WAIVER: Waive reading in full of resolutions and ordinances and approval and adoption of same by reading title only.

2. APPROVE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA MEETING MINUTES

That the City Council approve the City Council of the City of La Habra Minutes of October 6, 2025.

3. APPROVE THE SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF **ORDINANCE NO. CC 2025-11** ENTITLED: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ZONE CHANGE 25-0004 (ZCA 25-0004), ADDING A NEW SECTION 17.12.070 (PARCEL MAPS FOR URBAN LOT SPLITS) TO CHAPTER 17.12 (PARCEL MAPS) OF TITLE 17 (SUBDIVISIONS) AND A NEW SECTION 18.24.060 (TWO-UNIT HOUSING DEVELOPMENT) TO CHAPTER 18.24 (R-1A, R-1B AND R-1C SINGLE-UNIT DWELLING ZONES) OF TITLE 18 (ZONING) OF THE LA HABRA MUNICIPAL CODE TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF SENATE BILL 9 (2021) AND SENATE BILL 450 (2024) RELATING TO TWO-LOT SUBDIVISIONS AND TWO-UNIT HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS AND MAKING A DETERMINATION THAT THE ORDINANCE IS EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 65852.21(k) AND 66411.7(n)

That the City Council approve the second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. CC 2025-11.

4. APPROVE CONTINUED FUNDING APPLICATION FOR THE CITY OF LA HABRA STATE PRESCHOOL PROGRAM FOR THE 2026-2027 FISCAL SCHOOL YEAR

That the City Council:

A. Approve and authorize the City Manager to execute and submit the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Continued Funding Application to the California Department of Education Early Learning and Care Division; and,

B. APPROVE AND ADOPT **RESOLUTION NO. CC 2025-26** ENTITLED: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA, CALIFORNIA, CERTIFYING THE APPROVAL AND AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 CONTINUED FUNDING APPLICATION TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION EARLY LEARNING AND CARE DIVISION.

5. APPROVE NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR MACY STREET REHABILITATION PROJECT, CITY PROJECT NO. 1-R-23

That the City Council approve the Notice of Completion for the Macy Street Rehabilitation Project, City Project No. 1-R-23; and authorize staff to submit the Notice of Completion for recordation.

6. WARRANTS: APPROVE NOS. 6190 THROUGH 6414 TOTALING \$1,307,711.40

That the City Council approve Nos. 6190 through 6414 totaling \$1,307,711.40.

CALENDAR ITEMS REMOVED FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION: None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. DULY NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE 2025 EDITIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA BUILDING, RESIDENTIAL, ELECTRICAL, PLUMBING, MECHANICAL, EXISTING BUILDING, GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS, WILDLAND-URBAN INTERFACE AND ENERGY CODES; AND, THE 2024 INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE

Deputy Director Community and Economic Development Cole-Corona presented the staff report.

There was no City Council discussion.

Mayor Espinoza opened the public hearing at 7:12 p.m.

Juana Avila, La Habra resident, spoke.

Mayor Espinoza closed the public hearing at 7:15 p.m.

Moved by Councilmember Gomez, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Medrano and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0) THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

- A. APPROVE THE FIRST READING OF **ORDINANCE NO. CC 2025-12** ENTITLED: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 15 "BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION" OF THE LA HABRA MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTERS 15.04, 15.05, 15.06, 15.07, 15.08, 15.12, 15.16, 15.32, 15.46 AND 15.68, BY ADOPTING THE 2025 EDITIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA BUILDING, RESIDENTIAL, ELECTRICAL, PLUMBING, MECHANICAL, EXISTING BUILDING, GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS, AND ENERGY CODES; AND, THE 2025 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE CODE AND 2024 INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE; and,
- B. APPROVE AND ADOPT **RESOLUTION NO. CC 2025-27** ENTITLED: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA, CALIFORNIA, SETTING FORTH FINDINGS WITH RESPECT TO LOCAL CONDITIONS WITHIN THE CITY WHICH MAKE CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS AND CHANGES NECESSARY TO THE 2025 CALIFORNIA BUILDING, RESIDENTIAL, AND ELECTRICAL CODES, AND ITS APPENDICES.

Said motion CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Espinoza, Mayor Pro Tem Medrano,
Councilmember Gomez, Councilmember Nigsarian, Councilmember Lampkin
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

2. DULY NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTING AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 9.32 (NOISE CONTROL) OF TITLE 12 (PUBLIC PEACE AND WELFARE) OF THE LA HABRA MUNICIPAL CODE, RELATING TO REGULATIONS ON NOISE

Director Community and Economic Development Kim presented the staff report.

City Council discussion included clarification on when the proposed code amendments would be applicable.

Mayor Espinoza opened the public hearing at 7:19 p.m. There was no public testimony.

Mayor Espinoza closed the public hearing at 7:19 p.m.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Medrano, seconded by Councilmember Lampkin and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0) THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE THE FIRST READING OF **ORDINANCE NO. CC 2025-13** ENTITLED: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 9.32 (NOISE CONTROL) OF TITLE 12 (PUBLIC PEACE AND WELFARE) OF THE LA HABRA MUNICIPAL CODE, RELATING TO REGULATIONS ON NOISE.

Said motion CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Espinoza, Mayor Pro Tem Medrano,
Councilmember Gomez, Councilmember Nigsarian, Councilmember Lampkin
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

3. DULY NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ZONE CHANGE 25-0003 (ZC 25-0003) TO ADD CHAPTER 18.65 (SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS) TO TITLE 18 (ZONING) AND AMEND SECTION 18.04.030 (TERMS DEFINED) OF CHAPTER 18.04 (DEFINITIONS), SECTION 18.06.040 (LAND USES) OF CHAPTER 18.06 (ZONES ESTABLISHED -- ZONING MAP BOUNDARIES AND LAND USES), AND SECTION 18.23.090 (SIGN REGULATIONS -- TEMPORARY SIGNS) OF CHAPTER 18.23 (SIGN STANDARDS) OF TITLE 18 (ZONING) OF THE LA HABRA MUNICIPAL CODE FOR CONSISTENCY WITH CHAPTER 18.65 (SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS)

Planning Manager Lui presented the staff report.

City Council discussion included: Planning Commission recommendations; and special event permit submittal timeline.

Mayor Espinoza opened the public hearing at 7:34 p.m.

Jared Patel, La Habra business owner, spoke.

Mayor Espinoza closed the public hearing at 7:36 p.m.

Moved by Councilmember Nigsarian, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Medrano and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0) THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE THE FIRST READING OF **ORDINANCE NO. CC 2025-14** ENTITLED: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ZONE CHANGE 25-0003 (ZC 25-0003), TO ADD CHAPTER 18.65 (SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS) TO TITLE 18 (ZONING) AND AMENDING SECTION 18.04.030 (TERMS DEFINED) OF CHAPTER 18.04 (DEFINITIONS), SECTION 18.06.040 (LAND USES) OF CHAPTER 18.06 (ZONES ESTABLISHED -- ZONING MAP BOUNDARIES AND LAND USES), AND SECTION 18.23.090 (SIGN REGULATIONS -- TEMPORARY SIGNS) OF CHAPTER 18.23 (SIGN STANDARDS) OF TITLE 18 (ZONING) OF THE LA HABRA MUNICIPAL CODE FOR CONSISTENCY WITH CHAPTER 18.65 (SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS) AND MAKING A DETERMINATION THAT THE ORDINANCE IS EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 15378(b)(5) AND 15061(b)(3) OF THE CEQA GUIDELINES; AND AMENDED TO REQUIRE APPLICATIONS FOR SMALL SPECIAL EVENTS TO BE SUBMITTED 45 DAYS IN ADVANCE AND LARGE SPECIAL EVENTS TO BE SUBMITTED 90 DAYS IN ADVANCE UNLESS A REDUCED TIMEFRAME IS OTHERWISE APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Said motion CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Espinoza, Mayor Pro Tem Medrano,
Councilmember Gomez, Councilmember Nigsarian, Councilmember Lampkin

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

4. DULY NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 8.04.340 (C) "MULCH" RELATING TO PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE USE OF MULCH PER SENATE BILL 1383, ASSEMBLY BILL 2902, AND ASSEMBLY BILL 2346

Senior Management Analyst Henderson presented the staff report.

City Council discussion included: outreach to residents informing of free mulch offered by the City; and state-mandated mulch requirements.

Mayor Espinoza opened the public hearing at 7:44 p.m. There was no public testimony.

Mayor Espinoza closed the public hearing at 7:44 p.m.

Moved by Councilmember Gomez, seconded by Councilmember Lampkin and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0) THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE THE FIRST READING OF **ORDINANCE NO. CC 2025-15** ENTITLED: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA, CALIFORNIA, ADDING PARAGRAPH (C) "MULCH" TO SECTION 8.04.340 OF THE LA HABRA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE USE OF MULCH PER SENATE BILL 1383, ASSEMBLY BILL 2902, AND ASSEMBLY BILL 2346

Said motion CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Espinoza, Mayor Pro Tem Medrano,
Councilmember Gomez, Councilmember Nigsarian, Councilmember Lampkin

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

CONSIDERATION ITEMS: None at this time.

MAYOR'S COMMUNITY CALENDAR:

Mayor Espinoza announced upcoming community events and activities.

COMMENTS FROM STAFF: None.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS:

Each City Councilmember commented and reported on their attendance to past community events and activities, and thanked City staff for their work and dedication to the La Habra community.

City Council congratulated Councilmember Lampkin on the birth of his son.

Councilmember Nigsarian spoke regarding cleanup efforts of a residential property impacted by the recent rainstorm. He made a motion that a future City Council Agenda include consideration of sensory-friendly parks. Seconded by Councilmember Lampkin.

Councilmember Gomez requested the meeting be adjourned in memory of Jesus Lopez and Glenn Allison.

Councilmember Lampkin thanked the La Habra business owners for speaking during Public Comments. He congratulated newly appointed La Habra Police Officers Justin Fagundes, Gilberto Guzman, and Brayden Webster on their appointments.

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Espinoza adjourned the meeting in memory of Glenn Allison and Jesus Lopez at 8:07 p.m. to Monday, November 3, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Closed Session Room 112c, 100 East La Habra Boulevard, followed by the Regular Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda J. Barone, CMC
City Clerk

These Minutes were approved on _____.