MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA

ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING 5:30 P.M.
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&
REGULAR JOINT MEETING WITH THE
SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA

Monday, March 2, 2026

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

REGULAR MEETING & REGULAR JOINT MEETING 6:30 P.M.:

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor/Chair Medrano called the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of La Habra and Regular Joint Meeting with the and Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency 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/Legal Counsel Collins
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:	Sonora High School Students Cayla Ho and Madeline Kimura
COUNCILMEMBERS/DIRECTORS PRESENT:	Mayor/Chair Medrano Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair Gomez Councilmember/Director Espinoza Councilmember/Director Nigsarian Councilmember/Director Lampkin
COUNCILMEMBERS/DIRECTORS ABSENT:	NONE
OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:	City Manager/Executive Director Sadro City Attorney/Legal Counsel Collins Assistant City Manager Yap City Clerk/Secretary Barone Assistant City Clerk Lopez Administrative Aide Delgado Part-Time Clerk Martinez

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT: None.

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

1. RECOGNITION OF THE SONORA HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' WRESTLING TEAM ON WINNING THE 2026 CIF SOUTHERN SECTION - DIVISION 4 CHAMPIONSHIP

Mayor Medrano and City Council presented Certificates of Recognition to the Sonora High School Girls' Wresting Team.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Becky Laubie, Brea resident, spoke.

Michael Shaw, La Habra resident, spoke.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Gomez, seconded by Councilmember Lampkin, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0) TO APPROVE CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS 1 THROUGH 12.

Said motion CARRIED by the following vote:

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

CITY COUNCIL:

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

2. APPROVE DENIAL OF LIABILITY CLAIM OF MICHAEL KOLKEBECK

   That the City Council deny the claim of Michael Kolkebeck in order to set a definite six-month Statute of Limitations date.

3. APPROVE DENIAL OF LIABILITY CLAIM OF INFINITY METALS INC.

   That the City Council deny the claim of Infinity Metals Inc. in order to set a definite six-month Statute of Limitations date.

4. APPROVE DENIAL OF LIABILITY CLAIM OF DENNA JOHNSON

   That the City Council deny the claim of Denna Johnson in order to set a definite six-month Statute of Limitations date.

5. APPROVE DENIAL OF LIABILITY CLAIM OF RACHEL RAMIREZ

That the City Council deny the claim of Rachel Ramirez in order to set a definite six-month Statute of Limitations date.

6. APPROVE DENIAL OF LIABILITY CLAIM OF CYNTHIA GUZMAN

That the City Council deny the claim of Cynthia Guzman in order to set a definite six-month Statute of Limitations date.

7. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING SERVICES WITH MV CHENG & ASSOCIATES FOR THE PROVISION OF WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA) YOUTH PROGRAM SERVICES

That the City Council:

A. Waive formal bidding requirements per the La Habra Municipal Code, Section 4.20.080(B) when a service firm has established such a successful past history of work with the City that is clearly in the public interest not to negotiate with any other source;

B. Approve and authorize the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 1 to the existing Agreement for Services with MV Cheng & Associates to ensure the Ready S.E.T. OC Program remains in compliance with federal and county grant standards; and,

C. Authorize staff to increase the current Purchase Order from $35,000 to an amount not to exceed $100,000 to fund Amendment No. 1 to the agreement.

8. APPROPRIATE ACCRUED GRANT FUND INTEREST FOR THE COYOTE VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION STORM CHANNEL REPAIR PROJECT

That the City Council:

A. Approve and authorize the City Manager to increase the project budget for the Coyote Creek Imperial and Channel Improvement Project by $282,237.92, funded by accrued interest earned from the grant funds provided by the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) Grant Number 4600015471 that were deposited for this project; and,

B. Authorize the City Manager to apply these accrued interest funding to the existing sub-grantee agreement with the Coyote Village Homeowners Association to cover authorized project costs.

9. APPROVE AN AGREEMENT FOR TEMPORARY ON-CALL PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING, CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT, AND INSPECTION SERVICES WITH PMCS GROUP, INC

That the City Council:

A. Approve and authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with PMCS GROUP, INC. of Long Beach, California, for temporary On-Call Professional Engineering, Construction Management, and Inspection Services; and,

B. Authorize staff to issue purchase orders to PMCS GROUP, INC for a not-to-exceed amount of $100,000.

10. APPROVE NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR ANNUAL RESIDENTIAL SLURRY SEAL & STREET REHABILITATION PROJECT FY 22-23, CITY PROJECT NO. 1-R-24

That the City Council approve the Notice of Completion for the Annual Residential Slurry Seal & Street Rehabilitation Project FY 22-23, City Project No. 1-R-24; and authorize staff to submit the Notice of Completion for recordation.

11. APPROVE NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR REPLACEMENT OF PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL HEADS AT EIGHT (8) INTERSECTIONS (HSIP CYCLE 9), CITY PROJECT NO. 2-TC-19, FEDERAL PROJECT NO. HSIPL-5266(030)

That the City Council approve the Notice of Completion for the Replacement of Pedestrian Signal Heads at Eight (8) Intersections (HSIP Cycle 9), City Project No. 2-TC-19, Federal Project No. HSIPL-5266(030); and authorize staff to submit the Notice of Completion for recordation.

12. WARRANTS: APPROVE NOS. 7941 THROUGH 8120 TOTALING $2,186,044.66

That the City Council approve Nos.7941 through 8120 totaling $2,186,044.66.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS REMOVED FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION: None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None at this time.

CONSIDERATION ITEMS:

CITY COUNCIL & SUCCESSOR AGENCY:

1. FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 MID-YEAR BUDGET REVIEW

Assistant City Manager Yap presented the staff report.

Mayor/Chair Medrano invited the public to testify at 7:26 p.m. There was no public testimony.

City Council/Director discussion included: various tax revenue sources growth and stability; accuracy of spending projections; regional/county averages for police department budgets; public accessibility to City budget; opioid settlement funding allocations; various expenditures and funding sources.

City Manager/Executive Director Sadro and Assistant City Manager Yap answered questions.

Moved by Councilmember/Director Nigsarian, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair Gomez, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0) That the City Council and Successor Agency:

A. Receive and file the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Mid-Year Budget Update;

B. Approve an appropriation in the amount of $195,000 from available General Fund revenues to the Community Development Department's professional services budget account 100402-52500;

C. Approve a $260,000 appropriation from the Successor Agency Low/Mod Income Housing Assets Fund for use toward the North Service Planning Area Navigation Centers; and,

D. Approve a $137,000 appropriation from Opioid Settlement Funds for use toward the North Service Planning Area Navigation Centers.

Said motion CARRIED by the following vote:

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

MAYOR'S COMMUNITY CALENDAR:

Mayor/Chair Medrano announced upcoming community events and activities.

COMMENTS FROM STAFF: None.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS/DIRECTORS:

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

Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair Gomez requested the meeting be adjourned in memory of Michael Keith.

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor/Chair Medrano adjourned the meeting in memory of Michael Keith at 7:50 p.m. to Monday, March 16, 2026, 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/Secretary

These Minutes were approved on _____.