

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
AGOURA HILLS CITY COUNCIL
Civic Center – Council Chambers
30001 Ladyface Court, Agoura Hills, California 91301
Wednesday, February 26, 2025
6:00 p.m.

The City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Sylvester.

Mayor Sylvester announced the Land Acknowledgement.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Girl Scout Troop 2256.

Present were: Mayor Penny Sylvester, Councilmember Kate Anderson, Councilmember Chris Anstead, and Councilmember Deborah Klein Lopez.

Absent was: Mayor Pro Tem Jeremy Wolf.

Also Present were: City Manager Nathan Hamburger, City Attorney Candice K. Lee, Assistant City Manager Ramiro Adeva, Deputy City Manager Louis Celaya, WM Consultant Kimberly Nilsson, Executive Assistant Michele Hubbs, Community Development Director Denice Thomas, Principal Planner Robby Nesovic, Senior Civil Engineer Charmaine Yambao, Kimley-Horn & Associates Traffic Engineering Consultant Sri Chakravarthy, Southern California Edison CED Manager of Street Light Projects John King, Director of Finance Diego Ibañez, Director of Community Services Amy Brink, and City Clerk Kimberly M. Rodrigues.

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION

No Closed Session was held.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION: Councilmember Anstead moved to approve the Agenda. Councilmember Klein Lopez seconded. The motion carried 4-0, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mayor Sylvester, Councilmember Anderson, Councilmember Anstead, and Councilmember Klein Lopez.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Wolf.

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Sylvester presented a Certificate of Recognition, honoring Tavern 101 Grill & Tap House as Business of the Month, to owner Marco Gonzalez.

Mayor Sylvester presented a Proclamation, Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of Senior Concerns, to Senior Concerns President Andrea Gallagher, Board Chair Kara Buss, and Director of Development Julie Harvey.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL, SPECIAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE, & DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Mayor Sylvester provided a Palisades Fire Debris Update.

A Las Virgenes/Malibu Council of Governments Update was not provided.

Councilmember Anderson provided a Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Advisory Committee Update.

Councilmember Klein Lopez reported on the Wildlife Crossing Community Engagement Group (Zoom) meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following person(s) spoke:

Richard Lawson, Agoura

CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no public comments.

Councilmember Anderson announced the following disclosure regarding Item No. 4: *"I am employed and receive a salary from the County of Los Angeles, but the Department of Public Health contract on the Agenda does not directly involve the County department for which I work, and, therefore, I have a non-interest exemption and may participate in the decision."*

ACTION: Councilmember Anstead moved to approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 1-7, as presented. Councilmember Anderson seconded. The motion carried 4-0, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mayor Sylvester, Councilmember Anderson, Councilmember Anstead, and Councilmember Klein Lopez.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Wolf.

1. Approve Minutes of the City Council Regular Meeting of February 12, 2025
2. Approve Demand Warrant Register No. 927
3. Approve Award of Contract for Fiscal Year 2024-25 Pavement Rehabilitation Project; NIB 24-05
4. Approve Public Health Services Contract with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health
5. Approve: 1) Agreement for Payment of Costs, with Brian Gelt in Connection with the Preparation of Environmental Documentation; and, 2) Agreement for Consultant Services, with Envicom Corporation, for the Preparation of an Addendum to the Palo Comado Ranch Subdivision Environmental Impact Report Related to the Construction of a Single-Family Residence
6. Adopt **Resolution No. 25-2095**; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE ADOPTED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 ADOPTED ON JUNE 26, 2024
7. Adopt **Resolution No. 25-2096**; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE COMPENSATION PLAN BY ESTABLISHING THE CLASSIFICATION OF DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, APPROVING THE JOB CLASSIFICATION, SETTING THE SALARY RANGE

DISCUSSION / ACTION

8. Discussion Regarding the Approval of the Agreement with Southern California Edison to Participate in the LS-1 Option-E Program

Following presentation of the staff report, and a question-and-answer period of staff, Mayor Sylvester opened the floor for public comments.

There were no public comments.

Following deliberations, Mayor Sylvester called for a motion and second to approve the staff recommendation to approve the Agreement with Southern California Edison to participate in the LS-1 Option-E Program using the 2700K fixtures and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement on behalf of the City Council.

ACTION: Councilmember Anderson moved to approve the staff recommendation. Councilmember Klein Lopez seconded. The motion carried 4-0, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mayor Sylvester, Councilmember Anderson, Councilmember Anstead, and Councilmember Klein Lopez.

NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Wolf.

9. Discussion Regarding Waste Management Solid Waste Rate Escalation and to Consider a Request for an Additional Solid Waste Rate Adjustment for 2025

Following presentation of the staff report, and a question-and-answer period of staff, Justin Honsinger, representing Waste Management, provided a presentation.

Following the presentation, and a question-and-answer period of Mr. Honsinger, Mayor Sylvester opened the floor for public comments.

There were no public comments.

MOTION: Councilmember Anderson moved *"that the Council not approve the SWRA increase and direct staff to bring back an item for discussion that would present the Council with the full spectrum of options for consideration, including an SWRA increase, as part of a larger picture conversation before any discussions on the change to the current agreement with Waste Management would take place."*

Following further discussion, Councilmember Anderson withdrew her motion.

MOTION: Councilmember Klein Lopez moved *"to request the solid waste rate escalation of 3% for 2025, and to continue the outreach for organics recycling, senior outreach, etc."*

City Attorney Lee suggested: *"whatever conditions that were imposed for the 2024 SWRA rate increase, that those same conditions would apply to 2025, because it might be something beyond just the outreach."*

ACTION: Councilmember Klein Lopez made the (amended) motion *"for the 3% solid waste escalation increase and a renewal of the conditions that were a part of the increase from the 2024 year as well."* Councilmember Anstead seconded. The motion carried 3-1, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mayor Sylvester, Councilmember Anstead, and Councilmember Klein Lopez.
NOES: Councilmember Anderson.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Wolf.

CITY COUNCIL, STAFF COMMENTS

There were no comments.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:10 p.m., Mayor Sylvester announced the First Goal-Setting Workshop would be held at 4:00 p.m., followed by the Regular City Council Meeting at 6:00 p.m., on Wednesday, March 12, 2025, in the Council Chambers of the Civic Center and adjourned the meeting.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kimberly", written in a cursive style.

Kimberly M. Rodrigues, MPPA, MMC
City Clerk