

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
AGOURA HILLS CITY COUNCIL
Civic Center – Council Chambers
30001 Ladyface Court, Agoura Hills, California 91301
Wednesday, March 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 Cub Scout Pack 227.

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

Also Present were: City Manager Nathan Hamburger, City Attorney Candice K. Lee, Assistant City Manager Ramiro Adeva, Executive Assistant Michele Hubbs, Director of Community Development Denice Thomas, Principal Planner Robby Nesovic, Senior Civil Engineer Charmaine Yambao, Director of Finance Diego Ibañez, Director of Community Services Amy Brink, and City Clerk Kimberly M. Rodrigues.

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Lee reported on the two City Council Closed Session items pursuant to Government Code Sections 54956.9 (*Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d)*) and 54956.8. The City Council considered the items, no reportable action was taken and direction was given to staff.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION: Councilmember Anstead moved to approve the Agenda, as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Wolf seconded. The motion carried 5-0, by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Sylvester presented a Proclamation, proclaiming April 9, 2025, as Education and Sharing Day, to Rabbi Moshe Bryski.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL, SPECIAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE, & DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Mayor Sylvester provided a Las Virgenes/Malibu Council of Governments Update. In addition, she read letters from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), regarding how to report citizen concerns with the movement of fire debris by the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers' (USACE) dump trucks, and from Los Robles Medical Center Chief Executive Director Phil Buttell regarding the upcoming July 1, 2025, closure of the Pediatric Inpatient Unit, emphasizing that the hospital will continue to provide high-quality emergency care for children.

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

Councilmember Klein Lopez provided a bi-weekly Wallis Annenberg Wildlife Crossing Community Meeting Update.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following person(s) spoke:

Richard Lawson, Agoura
Brooks Dingman, Agoura Hills, representing Morrison Ranch Estates HOA

CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no public comments.

ACTION: Councilmember Klein Lopez moved to approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 1-6, as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Wolf seconded. The motion carried 5-0, by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

1. Approve Minutes of the City Council Special Meeting of December 11, 2024

2. Approve Minutes of the City Council Goal Setting Workshop of March 12, 2025
3. Approve Minutes of the City Council Regular Meeting of March 12, 2025
4. Approve Demand Warrant Register No. 929
5. Authorize Staff to Forward the 2024 General Plan Annual Progress Report to the California Department of Housing and Community Development and the Governor's Office of Planning and Research
6. Authorize Staff to Forward the 2024 General Plan Housing Element Annual Progress Report to the California Department of Housing and Community Development and the Governor's Office of Planning and Research

DISCUSSION / ACTION

7. Conduct a Prescreen Review of a Proposed Specific Plan Amendment for a Residential Development on the Gateway Church Parcel (AIN 2061-033-013) at 29646 Agoura Road in the Ladyface Mountain Specific Plan (Case No. SPR-2024-0005)

Staff noted a correction to the case number listed in the staff report as follows:

Case No. **SPASPR**-2024-0005

Following a presentation of the staff report, the following persons provided a presentation on behalf of the Applicant.

John Reishl, Toll Brothers, Applicant
Pastor Gabriel Barreiro, representing Gateway Church

Following a question-and-answer period with the Applicant, Mayor Sylvester opened the floor for public comment.

The following person(s) spoke:

Ed Corridori, Agoura Hills
Gary Arendts, Agoura

There being no further public comments, Mayor Sylvester invited the Applicant to present his rebuttal.

John Reishl, Toll Brothers, Applicant

No formal action was required. Following discussion, the City Council provided non-binding comments and feedback to the Applicant.

CITY COUNCIL, STAFF COMMENTS

City Manager Hamburger reported that the City is working on a schedule to remove the damaged water tower as soon as possible.

Mayor Pro Tem Wolf reported on the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District event held last Friday that demonstrated their partnership with OceanWell in *“testing deep water desalination technology”* in the reservoir and thanked everyone for attending the event.

Mayor Sylvester reported she was visiting City school campuses to hear concerns from school staff and parents and, along with City staff, had already visited Willow Elementary, Lindero Canyon Middle School, and Agoura High School, and that Sumac, Mariposa, and Yerba Buena would be scheduled in the next few weeks, and spoke about her first Mayor’s Table, held at the Recreation and Event Center last Wednesday, regarding Emergency Preparedness.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:59 p.m., Mayor Sylvester announced the next Regular City Council Meeting would be held at 6:00 p.m., on Wednesday, April 9, 2025, in the Council Chambers of the Civic Center and adjourned the meeting.

Kimberly M. Rodrigues, MPPA, MMC
City Clerk