

Artesia City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 13, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers
18747 Clarkdale Avenue, Artesia, CA 90701

1. CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Trevino called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Trevino, Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso, Councilmembers Taj, Manalo and Ahir

Staff Present: City Manager Avalos, Deputy City Manager Burke, Finance Manager Murguia, City Attorney Nguyen, City Clerk Alderete, Community Development Director Bollier, Planning Manager Valdez, Public Works Manager Sanchez, Parks and Recreation Manager Guerra, Special Projects Manager Lee, Management Analyst Nacionales-Tafoya, and Management Analyst Zambrano.

3. INVOCATION

Pastor Bob DeLeon from Artesia Calvary Chapel, delivered the invocation.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Sergeant Ramos, led the pledge of allegiance.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

5A. Public Comments Public comments could be provided, in person or submitted by email to publiccomments@cityofartesia.us by 12:00 p.m. on the date of the meeting. Kimberly Guevara and Lorelei Bailey provided public comments for items not listed on the agenda.

6. COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Mayor Trevino, Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso, Councilmembers Taj, Manalo and Ahir asked questions and/or provided comments.

Councilmember Ahir attended the Joint Policy Committee hosted by the Southern California Association of Governments.

Councilmember Manalo attended the Council of Governments meeting.

Councilmember Ramoso attended the Parks and Recreation internal committee meeting, and the Greater Los Angeles Vector Control District meeting.

Mayor Trevino requested that item 11A be moved after business presentations.

7. CEREMONIAL PRESENTATIONS

7A. Donate Life Month Proclamation

A proclamation for Donate Life Month was accepted by Elsa Chau.

7B. National Volunteer Month

A proclamation for National Volunteer Month was accepted by Lorelei Bailey from Strong Towns Artesia and Theresa Pramutico from the Lions Club.

7C. Armenian Genocide Commemoration Day Proclamation

A proclamation for Armenian Genocide Commemoration Day was accepted by the Armenian National Committee members.

7D. 2026 California Distinguished Schools Certificates of Recognition

A certificate of recognition was accepted by Cerritos High School Principal Dr. Wise and Whitney High School Principal Dr. Stoffers.

7E. Community Development Professional Week

A proclamation for Community Development Professional Week was accepted by Community Development Director Bollier and Planning Manager Steve Valdez.

8. BUSINESS PRESENTATIONS

8A. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Annual & Quarterly Report

Captain Holguin provided updates. City Manager Avalos provided input. Mayor Trevino, Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso, Councilmembers Taj, Manalo and Ahir asked questions and/or provided comments.

11. DISCUSSION

11A. Resolution Regarding the Contingent Designation of Pioneer Boulevard as 'Little India' Upon the Formation of a Business Improvement District

Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution No. 26-3082, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Artesia, California, Designating the Area Along Pioneer Boulevard From 183rd Street to 188th Street as 'Little India,' Contingent Upon the Formation of a Business Improvement District and Adoption of Assessments.

City Manager Avalos introduced the item. Management Analyst Zambrano and New City America Manager Dominic Li Mandri provided staff report. City Manager Avalos provided input. Mayor Trevino, Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso, Councilmembers Taj, Manalo, and Ahir asked questions and/or provided comments. Sally Flowers, Dan Rocha, Venkatesh Koka, Riyaz Khan, and Grupal Sood provided public comments.

Councilmember Taj moved, seconded by Councilmember Manalo, to approve agenda item 11A, as recommended.

Motion carried, 5-0.

Mayor Trevino called for a brief recess at 9:54.

Mayor Trevino reconvened the meeting at 10:07 p.m.

9. CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Taj moved, seconded by Councilmember Ahir, to approve consent calendar items 9A-9L.

Motion carried, 5-0

9A. Waive Reading of All Ordinance and Resolutions Adoptions on the Agenda and Read by Title Only

Recommended Action: Waive Reading, by Title Only, of all Ordinances and Resolutions. Said Ordinances and Resolutions Which Appear on the Public Agenda Shall Be Determined to Have Been Read by Title and Further Reading Waived.

9B. Accounts Payable Check Register – March 2026

Recommended Action: Receive and File.

9C. City Financial Report – February 2026

Recommended Action: Receive and File.

9D. AB 1234 Reporting

Recommended Action: Receive and File.

9E. City Council Meeting Minutes

Recommended Action: Approve Minutes as Presented for February 9, 2026 - Regular Meeting, February 19, 2026 - Special Meeting, and February 23, 2026 - Special Meeting.

9F. Proclamations

Recommended Action: Approve the Issuance of Proclamations Designating April

2026 as Arbor Day, Earth Day, California Cities Week, and Autism Awareness Month.

9G. Second Reading and Consideration of Adoption of Ordinance Regarding the Levy of Special Taxes for Annexation No. 4

Recommended Action: Adopt Ordinance No. 26-983, Authorizing the Levy of Special Taxes in a Community Facilities District, Including Certain Annexation Territory Identified as Annexation No. 4 Into City of Artesia, Community Facilities District No. 2017-1 (Services))

9H. Resolution Regarding a Statement of Investment Policy

Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution No. 26-3080, Approving a Statement of Investment Policy, and Repealing Resolution No. 25-3052.

9I. Request To Display of Any Commemorative Flags

Recommended Action: Approve the Temporary Display of Two Commemorative Flags on the Pole in Front of City Hall on the Specified Dates: Tree City USA Flag to Be Displayed from April 14 to May 15, 2026; And Progress Pride Flag to Be Displayed from June 1 to June 30, 2026.

9J. Resolution Regarding Amending the Facility Use Regulations Relating to Artesia-Based Non-Profit Organizations

Recommended Action: Approve Resolution No. 26-3081, Amending Facility Use Regulations, Carrying Forward the Existing Facility Use Fee Schedule, and Repealing Resolution No. 25-3064

9K. Resolution Regarding Public Notice Posting Locations

Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution No. 26-3083, Establishing the Location in the City of Artesia as a Public Place for Posting.

9L. Third Amendment to the Paratransit Demand Response Transportation Services Agreement with Administrative Services Cooperative, Inc. to Provide On-Demand Transportation for Qualified Participants

Recommended Action: Approve, and Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Third Amendment on Their Behalf, to the Paratransit Demand Response Transportation Services Agreement Between the City of Artesia and Administrative Services Cooperative, Inc. To Provide Paratransit Demand-Response Transportation Services for an Amount Not to Exceed \$359,000

10. PUBLIC HEARING

10A. Introduction of an Ordinance Regarding Arco AM/PM Code Amendment and Conditional Use Permit (Case No. 2025-12)

Recommended Action: Waive Full Reading and Introduce by Title, Ordinance No. 26-984, Amending Section 9-2.3203(l) to Title 9 of the Artesia Municipal Code Amending Regulations Related to Alcohol Sales at Automobile Service Stations in the General Commercial (CG) Zone; And Determining the Ordinance To Be Exempt From CEQA; — Find the Ordinance Exempt From the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines §§15061(b)(3) and 15378(b)(5).

Planning Manager Valdez provided staff report. Sergeant Ramos and City Manager Avalos provided input. Mayor Trevino, Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso, Councilmembers Taj, Manalo, and Ahir asked questions and/or provided comments. Mayor Trevino opened the public hearing. Paul Menezes provided public comment. Mayor Trevino closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Ahir moved, seconded by Councilmember Taj to approve agenda item 10A, as recommended.
Motion carried, 5-0

11. DISCUSSION

11B. Introduction of an Ordinance Relating to New Developments' Annexation into Financing Districts

Recommended Action: Waive Full Reading and Introduce, Ordinance No. Adding Chapter 16 to Title 8 of the Artesia Municipal Code Relating to New Developments and Annexation Into Financing Districts and Setting Alternatives and Exemptions; And Determining the Ordinance To Be Exempt From CEQA, Pursuant to CEQA Guideline Sections 15378(b)(5) and 15061(b)(3)

City Attorney Nguyen provided staff report.

Councilmember Taj moved, seconded by Councilmember Ahir, to approve agenda item 11B, as recommended.
Motion carried, 5-0.

11C. City Paid Parking Program

Recommended Action: Recommendation: Approve, and Direct Staff To Take the Following Actions: Return With a Five-Year Professional Service Agreement (PSA) With Passport Labs, Inc. For a Mobile Pay Application To Manage the Hourly Paid Parking Program in the Designated Areas of the City Including the Downtown and the Residential Parking Permit Program; Return With an Agreement To Secure Three Physical Parking Meters in the Paid Parking Areas Downtown To Meet the Requirements of SB532; Approve the Recommendation From the Public Safety Commission To Standardize Paid Parking Fees at \$2.00 per Hour for Both On-Street and Off-Street Parking in the Downtown Area and Remove the First Hour Free Offering and Return With a Corresponding Ordinance To Adjust the Parking Fees; And — Approve the Recommendation From the Public Safety Commission To Update the Artesia Municipal Code Regarding the Residential Parking Permit Program To Reduce the Number of Qualified Residential Permits Issued per Household to Three per Household, Change Visitor Passes From Annual to as Needed 24-Hour Permits, and To Charge Fees To Cover the Cost of Managing the Program.

Community Development Director Bollier provided staff report. Member of the Metro Community Advisory Council, Lorelei Bailey and Deputy City Manager Burke provided input. Mayor Trevino, Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso, Councilmembers Taj, Manalo, and Ahir asked questions and/or provided comments.

Councilmember Taj moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso, to approve agenda item 11C, as recommended.
Motion carried, 5-0.

11D. Code Enforcement Process and Approval of Mobile Surveillance Camera Lease
Recommended Action: Receive and File the Code Enforcement Presentation; Approve the Use of the \$25,000 To Lease a Mobile Surveillance Camera as a Pilot Program for (FY) 2025-26; And Provide Feedback To Staff for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27
Recommendations.

City Manager Avalos introduced the item. Community Development Director Bollier provided staff report. City Manager Burke provided input. Mayor Trevino, Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso, Councilmembers Manalo, and Ahir asked questions and/or provided comments.

Councilmember Ahir moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ramoso to approve agenda item 11D as recommended, with an amendment to lease two mobile cameras for the pilot program.

Motion carried, 5-0.

12. CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Avalos provided updates.

13. COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Mayor Trevino asked questions and/or provided comments.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:01 p.m.



Jennifer Alderete, City Clerk