

**PARAMOUNT CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OCTOBER 22, 2024**

City of Paramount, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, CA 90723

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**CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the Paramount City Council was called to order by Mayor Annette C. Delgadillo at 5:03 p.m. in the Council Chamber at City Hall, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Noah Rodriguez, Jefferson Elementary School, Student Mayor for the Day led the pledge of allegiance.

**ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS:** Present: Councilmember Isabel Aguayo  
Councilmember Brenda Olmos  
Councilmember Vilma Cuellar Stallings  
Vice Mayor Peggy Lemons  
Mayor Annette C. Delgadillo  
**Student Mayor for the Day:**  
Noah Rodriguez

**STAFF PRESENT:** Grissel Chavez, Assistant City Manager  
Elizabeth Martyn, Interim City Attorney  
Yecenia Guillen, Community Services Director  
John King, Interim Planning Director  
Kim Sao, Finance Director  
Michelle Tse, Assistant Public Works Director  
Eric Wosick, Assistant Public Safety Director  
Heidi Luce, City Clerk  
Magnolia Sandoval, Management Analyst  
Ivan Reyes, Associate Planner  
Eduardo Vaca, Communications Specialist

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**PRESENTATIONS**

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1. VIDEO  
2024 Public Safety Expo  
CF 39.7 A video highlighting the 2024 Public Safety Expo event was presented.
2. CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION  
Student Mayor for the Day  
CF Mayor Delgadillo, on behalf of the City Council, presented a certificate of recognition, commemorative gavel and basket of City promotional items to Student Mayor for the Day Noah Rodriguez from Jefferson Elementary School. She congratulated Noah for being chosen by his school to serve as Student Mayor for the Day.

*At 5:11 p.m., Mayor Delgadillo recessed the meeting to a brief break. The meeting was called back to order at 5:17 p.m.*

#### **CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC COMMENT UPDATES**

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Assistant City Manager Chavez responded to comments made by the following individuals at the October 8, 2024 City Council meeting: Henrietta Williamson; Jose Sanchez; Nelson Sanchez, Maribel Hernandez, Lidia Leon, Norma Garcia, Brook Ervin, Jose Angel Garcia, Irma Lopez, Angel Lozano, Blanca Lopez, Ernesto Padilla, Violeta Garcia, and Mike Radis.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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CF 10.3

The following individual provided a written public comment via email that was read by the City Clerk: Jarryd Gonzales, Western Manufactured Housing Communities Association.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

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It was moved by Vice Mayor Lemons and seconded by Councilmember Cuellar Stallings to approve Consent Calendar Item 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 as shown below. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Aguayo, Olmos,  
Cuellar Stallings; Vice Mayor Lemons;  
and Mayor Delgadillo

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

3. AWARD OF  
CONTRACT  
Approval of the  
Shopping Under the  
Lights Traffic Control  
Plan and Award of  
Contract for On-Call  
Traffic Control Services

- A. Approved the Shopping Under the Lights traffic control plan.
- B. Awarded the contract for traffic control services for the "Shopping Under the Lights" event in the amount of \$13,314.50 and on-call traffic control services at the hourly rates specified to Statewide Traffic Safety Signs, Inc. DBA AWP Safety, Santa Ana, California, and authorized the Mayor or her designee to execute the agreement

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| 4. | APPROVAL<br>Agreement with Long<br>Beach Transit for<br>Transportation<br>Services<br>CF   | Approved and authorized the City Manager to execute the agreement with Long Beach Transit (LBT), to continue providing transportation services for the City's fixed route system, Dial-A-Lift taxi service, Elderly Nutrition Program (ENP), and the Transit Access Pass (TAP) transit programs, utilizing 40 percent of the City's Proposition A (Prop A) funds for an additional (5) five years, commencing immediately and ending on June 30, 2029. |
| 5. | RECEIVE AND FILE<br>Biennial Review of<br>Conflict of Interest<br>Code<br>CF   | Received and filed the report on the biennial review of the City's conflict of interest code.  |
| 6. | RECEIVE AND FILE<br>Fiscal Year 2023-24<br>Consolidated Annual<br>Performance<br>Evaluation Report<br>(CAPER)<br>CF  | Received and filed the Fiscal Year 2023-24 CAPER.  |
| 7. | APPROVAL<br>Amendment No. 2 to<br>the Agreement with<br>Psomas for<br>Professional<br>Environmental and<br>Engineering Design<br>Services for the West<br>Santa Ana Bikeway<br>(WSAB) Trail – Phase<br>II Project<br>(City Project No. 9932)<br>CF | 1) Appropriated \$38,000 of the interest income from the Priority Legislative Budget Project (PLBP) fund to cover the expense; and 2) Approved Amendment No. 2 to the agreement with Psomas in an amount not to exceed \$37,955 for engineering redesign services and authorized the Mayor or her designee to execute the amendment.   |

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#### **NEW BUSINESS**

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| 8. | RESOLUTION 24:039<br>Approving a Request<br>by Cate's Corner for an<br>amendment to a City<br>Council Permit for Live<br>Entertainment at 8400 | <p>Interim Planning Director King gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.</p> <p>It was moved by Councilmember Aguayo and seconded by Councilmember Olmos to read by title only and adopt Resolution No. 24:039, "A</p> |
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Alondra Boulevard  
CF

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT SETTING FORTH ITS FINDINGS OF FACT AND APPROVING A REQUEST BY CATE'S CORNER FOR AN AMENDMENT TO A CITY COUNCIL PERMIT FOR LIVE ENTERTAINMENT AT 8400 ALONDRA BOULEVARD IN THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT." The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Aguayo, Olmos,  
Cuellar Stallings; Vice Mayor Lemons;  
and Mayor Delgadillo

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

9. RESOLUTION 24:038  
Approving a Request  
by Mr. J's Bar for a City  
Council Permit for Live  
Entertainment at 7824  
Alondra Boulevard  
CF

Associate Planner Reyes gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

The following individual addressed the City Council in favor of this item: Alfredo Lopez (applicant).

The following individual addressed the City Council in opposition to this item: Susanna Alcaraz. Additionally, the following individuals submitted written comments in opposition to this item: Linda W. and Sonia Chavez.

Discussion ensued concerning the hours and types of entertainment allowed. Vice Mayor Lemons asked if there is a requirement for a soundproof wall. She expressed concern that sound from the venue and potential parking impacts that may be disruptive to the neighboring residential properties. Councilmember Olmos also expressed concern that the live entertainment may be problematic for the neighborhood and suggested that the venue start with only karaoke. Following further discussion, Mayor Lemons suggested that the entertainment be limited to karaoke and also end at midnight instead of 1:30 p.m. Further discussion ensued concerning the types of entertainment that should be allowed.

It was moved by Councilmember Lemons to adopt Resolution No. 24:038 as amended to allow karaoke only on Friday and Saturday nights to end by midnight. The motion failed for lack of a second.

It was then moved by Councilmember Olmos and seconded by Councilmember Aguayo to read by title only and adopt Resolution No. 24:038, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT SETTING FORTH ITS FINDINGS OF FACT AND APPROVING A REQUEST BY MR. J'S BAR FOR A CITY COUNCIL PERMIT FOR LIVE ENTERTAINMENT AT 7824 ALONDRA BOULEVARD IN THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT," as amended to allow karaoke only on Friday and Saturday nights to end at 1:30 a.m. and require a 6 month review. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Aguayo, Olmos,  
Cuellar Stallings; and Mayor Delgadillo  
NOES: Vice Mayor Lemons  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

10. DISCUSSION  
Cost Allocation and  
User Fee Study  
Analysis  
CF

Finance Director Sao and Eric Johnson with Revenue & Cost Specialists, LLC gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

Following brief discussion with City Council consensus, staff was directed to further present the Cost Allocation Plan and User Fee Study at the next City Council meeting as a scheduled public hearing for consideration of approval of the User Fee Schedule.

11. APPROVAL  
Proposed 2025 City  
Special and Holiday  
Events Schedule  
CF

Community Services Director Guillen gave the report and presented a PowerPoint presentation.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Lemons and seconded by Councilmember Cuellar Stallings to approve or modify the proposed dates for the City's 2025 Special and Holiday Events. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Aguayo, Olmos,  
Cuellar Stallings; Vice Mayor Lemons;  
and Mayor Delgadillo  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

## **ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY – NEW BUSINESS**

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None.

## **COMMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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### **Councilmembers**

Vice Mayor Lemons reported on her attendance at the SEAACA Board meeting noting the SEAACA is still in negotiations with the employee unions. She also reported that she attended a landscape ad hoc committee meeting as well as the Public Safety Expo. Lastly, she reported on her attendance at the California JPIA conference where she spoke on collaboration with elected officials and attended a session on new laws coming from OSHA.

Councilmember Aguayo reported that she also attended the Public Safety Expo. She also reported on her attendance at the California JPIA conference and the CalCities conference. She expressed appreciation to the Public Works department for removing graffiti so promptly.

Councilmember Olmos reported on her attendance at the California JPIA conference and the CalCities conference. She also commented that she attended the Winning Dollars for Your City session at CalCities conference. She also provided information on the recent Historical Committee membership meeting.

Councilmember Cuellar Stallings reported on her attendance at the California JPIA conference and the CalCities conference. She commented that she also attended the Public Safety Expo. She expressed appreciation to the deputies for all they do in the community. Lastly she reminded everyone to attend the upcoming Halloween and Dia De Los Muertos events.

Mayor Delgadillo commented that she also attended the Public Safety Expo and everyone seemed to have enjoyed the event. She also noted she attended the farewell luncheon for Speaker Emeritus Anthony

Rendon put on by the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce. Lastly, she noted that she participated in Storytime with the Mayor at the Paramount Library and read Caps for Sale.

**Staff**

There were no comments from staff.

*Mayor Delgadillo adjourned the City Council meeting to Closed Session at 6:55 p.m. to discuss the matter listed below*

**CLOSED SESSION**

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS  
Government Code Section 54957.6  
Agency designated representatives: City Council  
Unrepresented employee: City Attorney

*Per Interim City Attorney Martyn, the item above is for informational purposes only and there will be no action to report.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Delgadillo adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m. to a meeting on November 12, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber at City Hall, 16400 Colorado Ave., Paramount, CA.

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Annette C. Delgadillo, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Heidi Luce, City Clerk