

**PARAMOUNT CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED MEETING
MAY 20, 2025**

City of Paramount, City Hall Council Chamber, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, CA 90723

CALL TO ORDER: The adjourned meeting of the Paramount City Council was called to order by Mayor Peggy Lemons at 2:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber at City Hall, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Lemons led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS: Present: Councilmember Isabel Aguayo
Councilmember Annette C. Delgadillo
Councilmember Vilma Cuellar Stallings
Vice Mayor Brenda Olmos*
Mayor Peggy Lemons

Vice Mayor Olmos arrived at 2:05 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT: John Moreno, City Manager
Nicholas R. Ghirelli, City Attorney
Grissel Chavez, Assistant City Manager
Adriana Figueroa, Public Works Director
Yecenia Guillen, Community Services Director
Heidi Luce, City Clerk
John King, Planning Director
Margarita Matson, Public Safety Director
Anthony Martinez, Financial Services Manager
Danny Elizarraras, Management Analyst

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments

NEW BUSINESS

1. **PRESENTATION**
Introduction of the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Proposed Budget CF
Following City Manager Moreno's introduction, Financial Services Manager Martinez provided an overview of the Proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2026 Budget, including a detailed review of the City's revenues, expenditures and fund balance.

Community Services Director Guillen gave a report and presented a PowerPoint presentation providing an overview of the Community Promotion budget which includes marketing and promotion; community events; recognition programs; and community group and event funding. She also provided a detailed overview of the Community Services department budget including the parks and playgrounds division; the aquatics and sports divisions; instructional classes; facilities; Paramount Education Partnership; senior services; transportation; and equipment upgrades.

Public Safety Director Matson gave a report and presented a PowerPoint presentation providing an overview of the Public Safety department budget including the administrative division, sworn and non-sworn divisions, code enforcement division, support services division and community preservation division.

Mayor Lemons recessed the meeting at 3:30 p.m. to a brief break. The meeting was reconvened at 3:44 p.m.

Planning Director King gave a report and presented a PowerPoint presentation providing an overview of the Planning Department budget including the planning division and building and safety division.

City Clerk Luce gave a report and presented a PowerPoint presentation providing an overview of the City Council, City Attorney and City Manager/Clerk department budgets.

Assistant City Manager Chavez gave a report and presented a PowerPoint presentation providing an overview of the administrative services and human resources division budgets. which included a review of the proposed changes to the Personnel Policy Manual which include a few new policies and benefits.

Public Works Director Figueroa gave a report and presented a PowerPoint presentation providing a detailed overview of the FY 2025-26 public works department operating budget including the administration division, facilities division, landscape division, vehicles and equipment division;

sustainability division; road maintenance division; engineering division; and water division. She also presented a detailed overview of the proposed capital improvement projects budget.

Financial Services Manager Martinez gave a report and presented a PowerPoint presentation providing a detailed overview of the Finance Department operating budget including the administrative division, business license division, water billing division and municipal support division.

During the budget review, there was discussion regarding the shared costs for the contract for Deputy District Attorney services; participation in the YAL program, the garage door rebate program, the City's air monitoring program, the proposed Business Improvement District. Discussion also ensued concerning the compensation study and the proposed addition of management leave.

It was moved by Mayor Lemons and seconded by Vice Mayor Olmos to continue the budget review and consideration of adoption of the FY 2025-26 Proposed Budget to June 10, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

SUCCESSOR AGENCY FOR THE PARAMOUNT REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY – NEW BUSINESS

SA1. PRESENTATION
Introduction of the Fiscal
Year 2025-2026
Proposed Successor
Agency Budget
CF 28.1

The proposed Successor Agency for Redevelopment Agency budget was presented during the presentation of the City budget.

It was moved Vice Mayor Olmos and seconded by Councilmember Cuellar Stallings to continue the budget review and consideration of adoption of the FY 2025-26 Successor Agency budget to June 10, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

COMMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Staff

City Manager Moreno introduced the new Assistant Planning Director Monica Rodriguez and welcomed her to the City.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Lemons adjourned the meeting at 5:29 p.m. to a meeting on May 27, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. in the Auditorium at Progress Park Plaza, 15500 Downey Ave., Paramount, CA.

Peggy Lemons, Mayor

ATTEST:

Heidi Luce, City Clerk