



MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Agenda

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Jose Preciado, Councilmember – District 2
Michael Inzunza, Councilmember – District 3
Cesar T. Fernandez, Councilmember – District 4

Maria V. Kachadoorian, City Manager
Marco A. Verdugo, City Attorney
Kerry K. Bigelow, City Clerk

Date: Tuesday, February 4, 2025, 5:00 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers, 276 Fourth Avenue, Chula Vista, CA

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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Gov. Code § 84308 Regulations: To promote transparency and fairness in the governmental decision-making process, there are rules to prevent public officials from being unfairly influenced by contributors to their campaigns. The type of activity these laws were enacted to limit is often referred to as "pay-to-play," and is governed in California by Government Code section 84308. Parties to any proceedings involving a "license, permit, or other entitlement for use," as that term is defined in the Political Reform Act, pending before the City

Council must disclose any campaign contribution over \$500 (aggregated) within the preceding 12 months made by the party, their agent, and those required to be aggregated with their contributions under Gov. Code § 82015.5. The disclosure must include the amount contributed and the name(s) of the contributor(s). "G.C. § 84308 Regulations Apply: Yes" on this agenda indicates that the item is subject to these regulations.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Complete Agenda Packet: The agenda packet, including staff reports, draft resolutions and ordinances, and other backup materials, is available at chulavistaca.gov/councilmeetings or the City Clerk's Office.

Time Allotted for Speaking (*subject to change by the presiding officer*)

- **Consent Calendar** (any or all items): 3 minutes
- **Agenda Items** (not on Consent): 3 minutes
- **General Public Comment** (not on agenda): 3 minutes

Individuals who use a translator will be allotted twice the time.

General Public Comments: Twenty-one (21) minutes are scheduled near the beginning of the meeting. The first seven (7) speakers will be heard during the first Public Comment period. If additional speakers are registered, they will be heard during the continued Public Comment period. If all registered speakers present at the time address the City Council during the first Public Comment period, there will be no continued period.

Submitting Request to Speak: A request to speak must be submitted to the City Clerk before the close of the public comment period on an item or before the close of the general Public Comments for non-agenda items.

GETTING TO KNOW YOUR AGENDA

AGENDA SECTIONS

Consent Calendar items are routine items that are not expected to prompt discussion. All items are considered for approval at the same time with one vote. Before the vote, there is no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the City Council or staff removes the item from the Consent Calendar.

Public Comment provides an opportunity to address the City Council on any matter not listed on the agenda that is within the jurisdiction of the City Council. Under the Brown Act, the City Council cannot take action on matters not listed on the agenda.

Public Hearings are held on matters specifically required by law.

Action Items are items expected to cause discussion and/or action by the City Council but do not legally require a public hearing.

Closed Session may only be attended by members of the City Council, support staff, legal counsel, and others specified on the agenda. Closed session may be held in very limited circumstances as authorized by law.

CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS

Resolutions are formal expressions of opinion or intention of the City Council and are usually effective immediately.

Ordinances are laws adopted by the City Council. Ordinances usually amend, repeal, or supplement the Municipal Code; provide zoning specifications; or appropriate money for specific purposes. Most ordinances require two hearings and go into effect 30 days after the final approval.

Proclamations are issued by the City to honor significant achievements by community members, highlight an event, promote awareness of community issues, and recognize City employees.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG AND MOMENT OF SILENCE
4. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY
 - 4.1 Oath of Office
Board of Library Trustees
- Isabella Glinsky
 - 4.2 Presentation of a Proclamation Welcoming and Commending the Members of the Shen Yun Production
5. CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 5.1 through 5.6)
Consent calendar items are considered together and acted upon by one motion. There is no separate discussion of these items unless the Mayor or a City Councilmember removes the item from the consent calendar. Items removed from the consent calendar will be heard as action items.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

City Council approve the recommended action on the below consent calendar items.

- 5.1 **Approve Meeting Minutes**
RECOMMENDED ACTION:
Approve the minutes dated: January 7, 9, and 14, 2025.
- 5.2 **Waive Reading of Text of Resolutions and Ordinances**
RECOMMENDED ACTION:
Approve a motion to read only the title and waive the reading of the text of all resolutions and ordinances at this meeting.
- 5.3 **Agreement: Approve an Agreement with HR&A Advisors, Inc. to Develop an Economic Development Strategic Plan**
Report Number: 25-0031

Location: Citywide

Department: Economic Development

G.C. § 84308 Regulations Apply: Yes

Environmental Notice: The activity is not a “Project” as defined under Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act State Guidelines. Therefore, pursuant to State Guidelines Section 15060(c)(3) no environmental review is required.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
Adopt a resolution approving an agreement with HR&A Advisors, Inc. to provide Economic Development Strategic Planning services.

5.4 Grant Award, Appropriation, and Agreement: Accept and Appropriate Grant Funds from Cal OES for the Law Enforcement Specialized Units Program, Waive the Competitive Bidding Process, and Approve an Agreement with SBCS for Domestic Violence Services
Report Number: 25-0032

Location: No specific geographic location

Department: Police

G.C. § 84308 Regulations Apply: Yes

Environmental Notice: The activity is not a “Project” as defined under Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act State Guidelines; therefore, pursuant to State Guidelines Section 15060(c)(3) no environmental review is required.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Adopt a resolution accepting \$203,130 in grant funds from the California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services, waiving the competitive bidding process, approving an agreement with SBCS Corporation for domestic violence response and advocacy services, and appropriating funds to the Police Grants Section of the Federal Grants Fund for the Law Enforcement Specialized Units Program. **(4/5 Vote Required)**

5.5 Purchase Approval: Waive the Competitive Bidding Process and Approve the Purchase of AMKUS Rescue Systems Products from Diamondback Fire & Rescue
Report Number: 25-0042

Location: No specific geographic location

Department: Fire

G.C. § 84308 Regulations Apply: Yes

Environmental Notice: The activity is not a “Project” as defined under Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act State Guidelines. Therefore, pursuant to State Guidelines Section 15060(c)(3) no environmental review is required.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Adopt a resolution waiving the competitive bidding requirements and approving the purchase of specified Fire & Rescue equipment, in an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000, from Diamondback Fire & Rescue over a five-year period.

5.6 Grant Award: Accept the Roy and Marian Holleman Foundation Grant to Replace Animal Housing, Appropriate Funds and Amend the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget
Report Number: 25-0010

Location: No specific geographic location

Department: Animal Services

G.C. § 84308 Regulations Apply: No

Environmental Notice: The activity is not a “Project” as defined under Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act State Guidelines. Therefore, pursuant to State Guidelines Section 15060(c)(3) no environmental review is required.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Adopt a resolution accepting a grant award from the Roy and Marian Holleman Foundation in the amount of \$38,000 to provide animal housing improvements at the Animal Care Facility and appropriate funds for that purpose. **(4/5 Vote Required)**

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Twenty-one minutes are scheduled for the public to address the City Council for three minutes each on any matter within the jurisdiction of the City Council that is not on the agenda. The remaining speakers, if any, will be heard during the continued Public Comment period.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

7.1 Housing Funds: HUD Block Grant Programs Funding Priorities for 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan and 2025/26 Annual Action Plan
Report Number: 25-0034

Location: No specific geographic location

Department: Housing and Homeless Services

G.C. § 84308 Regulations Apply: No

Environmental Notice: The activity is not a “Project” as defined under Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act State Guidelines. Therefore, pursuant to State Guidelines Section 15060(c)(3) no environmental review is required. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the activity also qualifies for an Exemption pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the California Environmental Quality Act State Guidelines. Under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the activity is exempt pursuant to Title 24, Part 58.34(a)(2)(3) of the Code of Federal Regulations.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Hear a presentation, conduct the public hearing to receive community input on the 2025-2029 Five-Year Consolidated Plan and the 2025-2026 annual Action Plan, and provide feedback to staff, as appropriate.

8. ACTION ITEMS

8.1 Consider Items Removed From the Consent Calendar, if Any

Consider items removed from the consent calendar by the Mayor or a City Councilmember, if any. If no items were removed from the consent calendar, this item will be withdrawn.

8.2 Employee Compensation: Amend the Compensation Schedule for the FA Deputy Executive Director, FA IVDC-LECC Executive Director, FA Director of SD LECC, FA Finance Manager, FA Deputy Director of IV-LECC, and FA Deputy Director of LECC
Report Number: 25-0039

Location: No specific geographic location

Department: Police

G.C. § 84308 Regulations Apply: No

Environmental Notice: The activity is not a “Project” as defined under Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act State Guidelines; therefore, pursuant to State Guidelines Section 15060(c)(3) no environmental review is required.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Adopt resolutions: A) amending the compensation schedule to reflect changes in the compensation for the FA Deputy Executive Director, FA IVDC-LECC Executive Director, FA Director of SD LECC, FA Finance Manager, FA Deputy Director of IV-LECC, and FA Deputy Director of LECC effective January 1, 2025; and B) approving the revised fiscal year 2024-25 compensation schedule effective February 7, 2025, as required by California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Section 570.5 to reflect salary increases FA Deputy Executive Director, FA IVDC-LECC Executive Director, FA Director of SD LECC, FA Finance Manager, FA Deputy Director of IV-LECC, and FA Deputy Director of LECC.

8.3 Measure A Expenditure Plan and Appropriation: Amend the Measure A Public Safety Expenditure Plan to Add One Police Captain, Six Peace Officers, Continue Hourly Community Services Officers, Overtime, Lockers and Vehicles, and Appropriate Funds
Report Number: 25-0040

Location: No specific geographic location

Department: Police

G.C. § 84308 Regulations Apply: No

Environmental Notice: The activity is not a “Project” as defined under Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act State Guidelines; therefore, pursuant to State Guidelines Section 15060(c)(3) no environmental review is required.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Adopt a resolution approving the amended Measure A Public Safety Expenditure Plan to add one Police Captain, six Peace Officers, continue hourly Community Services Officers, overtime funding, equipment storage lockers and vehicles for the Police Department and amending the fiscal year 2024-25 expenditure budget for the Measure A Sales Tax Fund to appropriate funds for that purpose. **(4/5 Vote Required)**

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS (CONTINUED)

There will be no continued Public Comment period if all speakers present at the first Public Comment period are heard.

10. CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS

10.1 Border 2 Fire Update/Summary

11. MAYOR'S REPORTS

11.1 Appointment of the South Bay MTS Executive Committee Representative

12. COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

13. CITY CLERK'S REPORTS

14. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORTS

15. CLOSED SESSION

Announcements of actions taken in closed session shall be made available by noon on the next business day following the City Council meeting at the City Attorney's office in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act (Government Code 54957.7)

15.1 Conference with Legal Counsel Regarding Existing Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

Name of case: 1) Guadalupe Jose Venegas, et al. v. City of Chula Vista, et al., San Diego Superior Court, Case No. 37-2023-00047590-CU-PA-CTL

Name of case: 2) City of Chula Vista v. Slade Fischer, et al., San Diego Superior Court, Case No. 24CU006375C

Name of case: 3) Lamar Scott Dowling v. Chula Vista Police Department, et al., San Diego Superior Court, Case No. 25CU003024C

Name of case: 4) Lamar Scott Dowling v. Chula Vista Police Department, et al., San Diego Superior Court, Case No. 25CU001169C

15.2 Conference with Labor Negotiators Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Agency-designated representatives: Maria Kachadoorian, Courtney Chase, Sarah Schoen, Tanya Tomlinson, and Marco Verdugo

Employee organization: IAFF

16. ADJOURNMENT

to the regular City Council meeting on February 11, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

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