



BRISBANE CITY COUNCIL

ACTION MINUTES

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2025**

HYBRID MEETING, 50 PARK PLACE, BRISBANE, CA 94005

6:30 P.M. CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Lentz called the meeting to order at 6:33P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

A. Consider any request of a City Councilmember to attend the meeting remotely under the “Emergency Circumstances” of AB 2449

No requests were made under Roll Call Item A.

Councilmembers Present: Councilmembers Davis, Kern, Mackin, O’Connell and Mayor Lentz

Councilmembers Absent: None

Staff Present: City Manager Dennis, Assistant City Manager Fernandez, City Clerk Padilla, City Attorney McMorro, Community Development Director Swiecki, Principal Planner Ayres, City Engineer Bozorginia, Finance Director Yuen, Assistant to the City Manager Cheung, Economic Vitality Office Director Bull, and Administration Analyst Ibarra

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councilmember Mackin made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Kern, to adopt the agenda as it stands. The motion passed unanimously by all present.

Ayes: Councilmembers Davis, Kern, Mackin and Mayor Lentz

Noes: None

Absent: Councilmember O’Connell

Abstain: None

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney McMorro reported that on the Closed Session Meeting of November 20, 2025,

Councilmembers provided direction to staff on the Liability Claim Item D and the two cases under Anticipated Litigation Item E.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS NO. 1

No members of the public wished to speak.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- B. Approve Minutes of City Council Meeting of November 6, 2025**
- C. Approve Minutes of City Council Closed Session Meeting of November 6, 2025**
- D. Adopt Ordinance, Waiving Second Reading, to Adopt the 2025 California Building Standards Code with Local Amendments and to Find That This Ordinance Categorically Exempt from Environmental Review Under CEQA Guidelines Section 15308, Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment**
- E. Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the Submittal of Applications for all CalRecycle Grant and Payment Programs, Changing the Signature Authority from the Public Works Director to the City Manager**

Councilmember Davis made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Mackin, to approve Consent Calendar Items B-E. The motion passed unanimously by all present.

Ayes: Councilmembers Davis, Kern, Mackin and Mayor Lentz

Noes: None

Absent: Councilmember O'Connell

Abstain: None

NEW BUSINESS

F. Study Session- 70 Old County Road Planning Program

(Staff recommends that the Council provide direction to staff and consultants regarding a preferred development concept scenario to be studied further.)

With conclusion of the initial community engagement phase, consultants from Good City Company reported that they completed a high-level feasibility analysis of the top three preferred vision concepts. The report concludes the following:

- The affordable or mixed-income, mixed-use residential concept represents the most viable near-term path for redevelopment of the 70 Old County Road property, provided the City contributes land and potentially gap financing.
- The commercial/retail scenario is likely to succeed only if paired with a strong anchor tenant that is identified in advance, or incorporated into a broader, multi-parcel redevelopment plan.
- The community center scenario would impose high public costs with limited utilization and is not recommended as a standalone use.

The next steps are for the Council to identify a preferred development concept for the property.

After Council questions with staff and consultants, Linda Salmon commented that the City should prioritize safety it's not feasible to build and the area should be returned to a wetlands park.

Michael Barnes this feasibility concepts exceeds 40 units per acre and delayed Council action have already cost the City a lot of money.

Chris Florkowski commented that members of the community must see ourselves as citizens not consumers. This is an opportunity for communication.

Michele Samon is concerned about flooding safety and sea level rise. She added that we need to start thinking outside of the box and value the beautiful view of the lagoon and mountain.

Paul Bouscal commented that the City should consider land transfers so that it can satisfy low-income housing and senior housing.

After a brief break and Council discussion, staff was directed to work with Good Cities and the Parkside 2 Ad Hoc Subcommittee on what scope of work is possible with the \$82,000 remaining in the contract with Good Cities.

G. Discuss and Provide Direction on Reestablishing a Sister City Relationship with Brisbane, Australia

Assistant City Manager Fernandez reported that City records show a formal partnership between the City of Brisbane, CA and Brisbane, Australia dating back as far as 1975 when the cities were paired as Sister Cities through Sister Cities International (SCI) through 2006.

After Council questions, Linda Salmon reported that she remembered the partnership to be fantastic and wonderful.

Council desired to reestablish a formal relationship with the City of Brisbane, Australia, and directed staff to send Mayor Lentz' letter to Lord Mayor Schrinner, expressing our interest in re-establishing a sister city relationship between the two cities. Staff was also directed to work to reestablish the relationship through Sister Cities International, which includes a Planning Process, a Research Phase, Development of a Partnership Agreement, a Signing Ceremony, and Implementation/Evaluation. Council Davis encouraged staff to also review Luminary Articles and the Brisbane Bee for more historical information.

STAFF REPORTS

H. City Manager's Report- City Updates and Upcoming Activities

City Manager Dennis reported on the Halloween Closure Community Volunteer debrief.

MAYOR/COUNCIL MATTERS

I. City Council Meeting Schedule and Recruitment Update

City Clerk Padilla provided an update on the City Commissions/Committees recruitment and the latest City Council Meeting Schedule. City Clerk Padilla was directed to accept late applications from Renee Commerford and Dariusz Wodziak for the Planning Commission and Wendy Frisk for the Community Garden Steward.

J. Countywide Assignments and Subcommittee Reports

- i. Report Out on Subcommittee Meetings**
- ii. Upcoming Subcommittee Meetings**

Councilmembers reported out on their subcommittee meetings and county assignments.

K. Written Communications

Moore (11-8-25) Park at Sierra Point

Rak (11-11-25) Draft MTC Plan Bay Area 2050

Lebrun (11-17-25) Undergrounding Caltrain at Bayshore

Kirsch (11-20-25) Objections to Plan Bay Area 2050 and the DEIR

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS NO. 2

Paul Bouscal asked the Council to consider rezoning the Village Shopping for housing and sell the Bank of America property. That way, the City does not have to be on the hook for development on those properties.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Lentz adjourned the meeting at 9:37 P.M.

Ingrid Padilla
City Clerk