

# CITY OF COACHELLA

## ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS, BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS LOCAL APPOINTMENTS LIST

CALENDAR YEAR 2025 **DRAFT**

### ELECTED OFFICIALS

City Council Meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month in the Council Chamber of City Hall, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

ELECTED OFFICIALS		TERM EXPIRES
Mayor	Steven Hernandez	November 2026
Mayor Pro Tem	Denise Delgado	November 2028
Councilmember	Stephanie Virgen	November 2026
Councilmember	Dr. Frank Figueroa	November 2026
Councilmember	Yadira Perez	November 2028
City Clerk	Angela M. Zepeda	November 2028
City Treasurer	Mayra Perez	November 2028

### APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Interim City Manager	Bill Pattison
City Attorney	Ryan Guiboa

In compliance with the requirements of the Maddy Act, Government Code 54972, the following local appointments list shows all boards, commissions, and committees which are appointed by the legislative body of the local agency and the dates of their terms of office.

**COACHELLA PLANNING COMMISSION** – *(Meets on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Coachella **Council Chambers of City Hall located at 1515 Sixth Street, Coachella.**)*

The City Planning Commission shall consist of five regular members and one alternate member. Members of commissions shall be appointed for four-year terms or less. The term of each commission member shall continue for the term of the nominating council member and automatically terminate when the council member's term ends. If a council member is reelected, that council member is entitled to make all new nominations or may choose to re-nominate the council member's previous nominee.

APPOINTEE	NOMINATED BY (MEMBER OF COUNCIL)	ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT	TERM EXPIRES
Diana Ramirez	Councilmember Delgado	March 8, 2023	November 2024
Jason Hernandez	Mayor Pro-Tem Galarza	March 8, 2023	November 2024
Yurema Arvizu	Councilmember Figueroa	March 8, 2023	November 2026
Isela Murillo	Councilmember Virgen	March 8, 2023	November 2026
Ruben Gonzalez	Councilmember Galarza	June 26, 2019	November 2024
Oscar Fonsesca (Alternate)	Mayor Hernandez	March 8, 2023	November 2026

**OVERSIGHT BOARD OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE COACHELLA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 34179-34181):** – *(Meetings held as needed.)*

The Oversight Board was created pursuant to California State law that dissolved the Coachella Redevelopment Agency, along with all 400 redevelopment agencies in California, on February 1, 2012. That law, known as AB X1 26, required the City of Coachella, as the successor agency to the Coachella Redevelopment Agency, to create a new Oversight Board to oversee certain fiscal management of former Agency funds and assets.

Oversight Boards direct the staff of the Successor Agency, have fiduciary responsibilities to holders of enforceable obligations, approves actions of the Successor Agency and establishes the Recognized Payment Obligation Payment Schedule. It takes a majority of the Oversight Board to constitute a quorum and to vote to take action.

The California Redevelopment Dissolution Laws mandated the dissolution of the 25 existing Oversight Boards within the County of Riverside and the creation of a single Consolidated Oversight Board overseeing all 25 successor agencies within the County commencing on **July 1, 2018**.

QUALIFICATIONS	APPOINTEE	ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT	TERM EXPIRES
Authority to represent the Successor Agency before the Countywide Oversight Board, the Riverside County Auditor-Controller, the State Controller, the California Department of Finance, or any other public body with regards to the Successor Agency business with the Countywide Oversight Board.	Gabriel Martin City Manager	December 8, 2021	Open

**COACHELLA PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION** – *(Meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 4:30 p.m. in the upstairs conference room at the Coachella Council Chambers of City Hall located at 1515 Sixth Street, Coachella.)*

The Coachella Parks and Recreation Commission shall consist of five regular members and one alternate member. Members of commissions shall be appointed for four-year terms or less. The term of each commission member shall continue for the term of the nominating council member and automatically terminate when the council member's term ends. If a council member is reelected, that council member is entitled to make all new nominations or may choose to re-nominate the council member's previous nominee.

APPOINTEE	NOMINATED BY (MEMBER OF COUNCIL)	ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT	TERM EXPIRES
Rosalio Avila (Chair)	Councilmember Galarza	April 26, 2023	November 2024
Robert Antonio Caballero	Councilmember Delgado	April 26, 2023	November 2024
Andrew Gallegos	Mayor Hernandez	April 26, 2023	November 2026
Marcos Granados Jr.(Vice C)	Mayor Pro Tem Virgen	April 26, 2023	November 2026
Karen Hernandez (Vacant)	Councilmember Dr. Figueroa	April 26, 2023	November 2026
J. Carlos Ayala	Alternate (Mayor Hernandez)	April 26, 2023	November 2026

**CULTURE AND ARTS COMMISSION** – (Meetings called as needed at the *Corporate Yard located at 53-462 Enterprise Way, Coachella.*)

The Culture and Arts Commission shall consist of five regular members. Members of commissions shall be appointed for four-year terms or less. The term of each commission member shall continue for the term of the nominating council member and automatically terminate when the council member's term ends. If a council member is reelected, that council member is entitled to make all new nominations or may choose to re-nominate the council member's previous nominee.

APPOINTEE	NOMINATED BY (MEMBER OF COUNCIL)	ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT	TERM EXPIRES
Armando Lerma	Mayor Hernandez	July 26, 2023	November 2024
Clara Nieblas	Mayor Pro Tem Virgen	July 26, 2023	November 2026
Irene N. Rodriguez	Councilmember Delgado	July 26, 2023	November 2024
Juan Ponce Ramos	Councilmember Dr. Figueroa	July 26, 2023	November 2026
Oralia "Yaya" Ortiz	Councilmember Galarza	July 26, 2023	November 2024
Javier Figueroa (Alt.)	Mayor Hernandez	July 26, 2023	November 2024

**YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION** – (Meets on the second Monday of each month at 4:30 p.m. at the *Council Chambers of City Hall located at 1515 Sixth Street, Coachella.*)

The Youth Advisory Commission shall consist of ten regular members. All members of the commission must live within the City of Coachella and be enrolled in high school. The term of a commissioner is one year from August to June; mirroring the local school district's school year. The term of each commission member shall continue for the term of the nominating council member and automatically terminate when the council member's term ends. If a council member is reelected, that council member is entitled to make all new nominations or may choose to re-nominate the council member's previous nominee.

APPOINTEE	NOMINATED BY (MEMBER OF COUNCIL)	ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT	TERM EXPIRES
Christian Fausto (Chair)	Full Council	September 25, 2024	June 2025
Alejandro Cobos (Vice Chair)	Full Council	September 25, 2024	June 2025
Izabella Nunez (Secretary)	Full Council	September 25, 2024	June 2025
Jade Arguelles	Full Council	September 25, 2024	June 2025
Briana Lara-Saldivar	Full Council	September 25, 2024	June 2025
Ivan Mendez-Perez	Full Council	September 25, 2024	June 2025
Sehwa Meza	Full Council	September 25, 2024	June 2025
Libni H. Valle	Full Council	September 25, 2024	June 2025

**COUNCIL SUB-COMMITTEES**

**Building/Code Enforcement/Public Safety Sub-Committee** – (Meetings called as needed)

Neftali Galarza, Councilmember  
Dr. Frank Figueroa, Councilmember  
City Manager  
Development Services Director

City Engineer  
Police Chief  
Battalion Chief  
Finance Director  
Permit Technician (*Support Staff*)  
*Code Enforcement*

**Economic Development/Planning Sub-Committee** – (*Meetings held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month at 5:00 p.m. in the **Council Chambers of City Hall located at 1515 Sixth Street, Coachella***)

Steven Hernandez, Mayor – Chair  
Stephanie Virgen, Mayor Pro Tem  
City Manager  
Development Services Director  
Economic Development Director  
Finance Director

**Senior Citizens Advisory Sub-Committee** – (*Meetings called as needed, if held, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 1:00 p.m.*)

Neftali Galarza, Councilmember  
Dr. Frank Figueroa, Councilmember  
Public Works Director  
Senior Center Coordinator (*Support Staff*)

**Engineering/Public Works/Water-Sewer Sub-Committee** – (*Meetings called as needed.*)

Steven Hernandez, Mayor  
Denise Delgado, Councilmember  
City Manager  
Development Services Director  
Economic Development Manager  
Finance Director  
Utilities Department Assistant (*Support Staff*)

**Sister City Sub-Committee** – (*Meetings called as needed.*)

Steven Hernandez, Mayor  
Neftali Galarza, Councilmember  
City Manager  
Economic Development Manager

**COACHELLA VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS** – (*Dark during the months of March, July, August, October and December\**)

**Executive Committee** – (*Meetings held on last Monday\* at 4:30 p.m.*)

Steven Hernandez, Mayor, Member  
Neftali Galarza, Councilmember, Alternate

City Manager, Staff

**CVAG COMMITTEES** – *(Continued)*

**Transportation Committee (TC)** – *(Meetings held on 1<sup>st</sup> Monday\* at 10:00 a.m.)*

Steven Hernandez, Mayor, Member  
Neftali Galarza, Councilmember, Alternate  
City Engineer, Staff

**Homelessness Committee** – *(Meetings held on 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday\* at 10:00 a.m.)*

Denise Delgado, Councilmember, Member  
Dr. Frank Figueroa, Councilmember, Alternate  
Economic Development Manager, Staff  
Development Services Director, Staff, Alternate

**Energy/Environmental Resources** – *(Meetings held on 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at 12:00 noon)*

Stephanie Virgen, Mayor Pro Tem, Member  
Neftali Galarza, Councilmember, Alternate  
Assistant to the City Manager, Staff

**Public Safety** – *(Meetings held on 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday\* at 9:00 a.m.)*

Dr. Frank Figueroa, Councilmember  
Denise Delgado, Councilmember  
City Manager, Staff  
Police Chief  
Battalion Chief

**Technical Planning Sub-Committee** – *(Meetings held on 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday\* at 11:00 a.m.)*

Development Services Director, Staff  
Senior Planner, Staff, Alternate

**Transportation Technical Advisory Sub-Committee** – *(Meetings held on 4<sup>th</sup> Monday\* at 10:00 a.m.)*

City Engineer, Staff  
Public Works Director, Staff, Alternate

**Solid Waste and Recycling Technical Working Group** – *(Meetings are held quarterly on 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at 3:00 p.m.)*

Public Works Director, Staff  
Environmental/Regulatory Program Manager, Staff, Alternate

**JPA/ Coachella Valley Conservation Commission (CVCC)** – *(Meetings held on 2nd Thursday of each month at 11:00 a.m.) Dark each March, August, October and December.*

Steven Hernandez, Mayor, Member  
Dr. Frank Figueroa, Councilmember, Alternate

**SUNLINE TRANSIT AGENCY** – *(Meetings are held on 4th Wednesday of each month at noon in the Board Room, 32505 Harry Oliver Trail, Thousand Palms)*

Denise Delgado, Councilmember, Member  
Dr. Frank Figueroa, Councilmember, Alternate

**COACHELLA VALLEY MOSQUITO & VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT BOARD** – *(Meetings are held every 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the District's Ben Laflin Administration Building, 43-420 Trader Place, Indio. Trustees are appointed for a fixed term of either two (2) or four (4) years,*

Dr. Frank Figueroa, Councilmember (Term Expires January 2024)  
Public Works Director, Staff

**PALM SPRINGS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT COMMISSION** – *(Meetings held on 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. The City representative(s) may be council members, community members or staff.)*

Economic Development Director/Manager  
Denise Delgado, Councilmember, Member (Term Expires June 30, 2024)

**RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION** – *(Executive Meetings are held at 9:00 a.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month; and the Budget and Implementation meetings are held at 9:30 a.m. on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month at the County of Riverside Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside. Video teleconferencing is available from La Quinta City Hall.*

Steven Hernandez, Mayor, Member – ***Executive***  
Stephanie Virgen, Mayor Pro Tem, Member – ***Budget and Implementation***  
City Engineer, Staff, TAC Member  
Public Works Director, Staff, TAC Alternate

**PUBLIC ENTITIES RISK MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (PERMA)** – *(Meetings at the DoubleTree Resort 67-967 Vista Chino, Cathedral City. Held quarterly, 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of last month of each quarter.)*

Human Resources Manager, Staff, Member  
Finance Director, Staff, Alternate

**ABANDONED VEHICLE AUTHORITY** – *(Meetings held quarterly. Date and location for next meeting are announced at each meeting. Locations hosted by different cities.)*

Finance Director, Member  
Code Compliance Manager, Alternate

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS** – *Three assignments: 1) **Community, Economic and Human Development Committee (CEHD)** – (Meetings are held from 10 a.m. – 12:00 noon, followed by the 2) **Regional Council (RC)** from 12:15 – 2:00 p.m.) on the first Thursday of each month; and 3) **Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee (LCMC)** meets from 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month in Los Angeles at 818 W. 7th Street, 12th Floor; contact number is 213-236-1800).*

Denise Delgado, Councilmember, Member

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS** – ***General Assembly*** – *(Meetings are held At least once every year (usually in April or May).*

Denise Delgado, Councilmember, Voting Delegate

**COACHELLA/INDIO WASTE TRANSFER STATION JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY** – *(Meetings held at as needed, at Coachella City Hall located at 1515 Sixth Street, Coachella.)*

Steve Hernandez, Mayor, Board Member

Dr. Frank Figueroa, Councilmember, Alternate

Public Works Director, Staff

**WASTE MANAGEMENT CONTRACT AMENDMENT - AD HOC COMMITTEE** – *(Held as needed.)*

Stephanie Virgen, Mayor Pro Tem

Steven Hernandez, Mayor

**NPDES TASK FORCE** – *(Meetings held first Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m.)*

Environmental/Regulatory Program Manager, Member

Sanitary Superintendent, Member

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LIAISON** – *(Meetings held as needed)*

Neftali Galarza, Councilmember

Dr. Frank Figueroa, Councilmember

Assistant to the City Manager, Staff

Executive Assistant, Staff

**JOINT WATER POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING** – *(As needed at CVWD'S Coachella office, 85-995 Avenue 52, Coachella, Rummonds Training Room.)*

Steven Hernandez, Mayor, Member

Dr. Frank Figueroa, Councilmember, Alternate

Utilities Manager, Staff



**COACHELLA VALLEY ANIMAL CAMPUS COMMISSION** – *(Meetings held on 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday, every two months at 9:30 a.m. at the Coachella Valley Animal Campus, 72-050 Pet Land Place, Thousand Palms, CA 92276*

Denise Delgado, Councilmember, Member  
Dr. Frank Figueroa, Alternate  
City Manager, Staff

**COACHELLA VALLEY ENERGY COMMISSION** – *(Meetings held at 4:00 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month. Meetings may be held at the IID Boardroom at its La Quinta Headquarters, 81-600 Avenue 58 La Quinta, or rotating at member agency locations. Commission members are appointed for one-year terms with no term limits, and must reside within the IID boundary area for the Coachella Valley. (New for 2021)*

Stephanie Virgen, Mayor Pro Tem, Member (Term Expires December 2024)

**UTILITY USERS CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE** – *(Meetings held at [time] on the [day] of each month. Meetings will be held at [location and address]*

Member  
Staff

**COACHELLA VALLEY MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY** – *(Meetings held at 3:00 p.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of January, March, May, July, September and November at Conference Room 115, 73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Palm Desert. Terms are for 2-years. Appointees must be either the Mayor or a Councilmember.)*

Denise Delgado, Councilmember, Member (Term Expires December 2024 – 2-year term)  
Dr. Frank Figueroa, Councilmember, Alternate  
Development Services Director, Staff, non-member

**VISIT GREATER PALM SPRINGS JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY** – *(Six (6) Meetings are held yearly on Fridays, 8:00 am to 10:30 am. [Locations and Dates TBD]*

Dr. Frank Figueroa, Member  
Alternate: TBD