



City Hall Council Chamber  
1515 Sixth Street, Coachella, California  
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# MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

OF THE CITY OF COACHELLA

THE COUNCIL SITTING AS THE COACHELLA SANITARY DISTRICT,

COACHELLA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, COACHELLA FINANCING AUTHORITY,

COACHELLA EDUCATIONAL AND GOVERNMENTAL ACCESS CABLE CHANNEL CORPORATION,

COACHELLA WATER AUTHORITY, SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE COACHELLA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

AND COACHELLA PARKS AND RECREATION FOUNDATION

**October 09, 2024**

6:00 PM – REGULAR MEETING

<p>In-Person Meeting Location:</p> <p>Coachella City Hall Council Chamber 1515 Sixth Street Coachella, CA</p>	<p><b>If you would like to attend the meeting via Zoom, here is the link:</b></p> <p><a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88457271898?pwd=REdzU1NoQmpVSFhWTDVaZ0VCekYxdz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88457271898?pwd=REdzU1NoQmpVSFhWTDVaZ0VCekYxdz09</a> Or One tap mobile : 16699006833,,88457271898#,,,,*606140# Or Telephone: US: +1 669 900 6833 <b>Webinar ID: 884 5727 1898</b> <b>Passcode: 606140</b></p> <p><b>Spanish:</b> El idioma español está disponible en Zoom seleccionado la opción en la parte de abajo de la pantalla</p>
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- Public comments may be received **either in person, via email, telephonically, or via Zoom** with a limit of **250 words, or three minutes:**
  - **In Real Time:**

If participating in real time via Zoom or phone, during the Public Comment Period, use the “**raise hand**” function on your computer, or when using a phone, participants can raise their hand by pressing \*9 on the keypad.
  - **In Writing:**

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  - If you wish, you may leave a message at (760) 262-6240 before 5:30 p.m. on the day of the meeting.
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**CALL TO ORDER: - 6:00 P.M.**

Mayor Hernandez called the City Council Closed Session and Regular Meeting of the City of Coachella to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa, Councilman Delgado, Councilmember Galarza (arrived at 6:08 p.m. during item #1), Mayor Pro Tem Virgen, and Mayor Hernandez

City Clerk and City Treasurer via Zoom

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Pledge led by City Attorney.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

“At this time the Council/ Board/Corporation/Authority may announce any items being pulled from the Agenda or continued to another date or request the moving of an item on the agenda”

Motion: To approve the agenda

Made by: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Virgen

Approved: 4-0, Unanimous roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa, Councilmember Delgado, Mayor Pro Tem Virgen, and Mayor Hernandez

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Galarza

**PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/DIRECTION:**

1. Proclamation Presented to Sergeant Tom Anderson
2. Code Enforcement Officer Appreciation Week
3. Palm Springs Airport Master Plan Update
4. FIND Food Bank's Hunger Action Month Summary & City Impact Report
5. Presentation by the Greater Coachella Valley Chamber of Commerce - Quarterly Update

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:**

None

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

(It is recommended that Consent Items be acted upon simultaneously unless separate discussion and/or action is requested by a Council Member or member of the audience.)

6. Regular Meeting Minutes of September 25, 2024, of the City of Coachella, Coachella Sanitary District, Coachella Fire Protection District, Coachella Financing Authority, Coachella Educational and Governmental Access Cable Corporation, Coachella Water Authority, Successor Agency to the Coachella Redevelopment Agency and Coachella Parks and Recreation
7. Quarterly Reports - First Quarter FY 2024-2025
8. Authorization to file a Notice of Completion for City Project No. ST-118, Buena Vista and Pueblos at Avalar & Navarra Neighborhood Pavement Rehabilitation
9. Approve Sponsorship of Raices Cultura for 2024 Dia de los Muertos Celebration in the Amount of \$20,000
10. Award of Contract to Demo Unlimited, Inc., for \$40,389.82 to Complete Asbestos Abatement and Demolition of the Property at 52-156 Tripoli Way
11. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Letter of Agreement with CannaBiz Consulting Group for Cannabis Social Equity Consulting Services in a Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$35,000
12. Adopt Resolution No. 2024-56 Authorizing the City Manager to Execute and Record a Deed Restriction for the Rancho Las Flores Park Phase II Property
13. Adopt Ordinance No. 1213 (Zoning Ordinance Amendment No. 22-09) 2nd Reading to Amend Coachella Municipal Code Title 17 Regarding Zoning District Permitted Uses and Development Standards for the R-E, Residential Estate District, Chapter 17.12 of the Coachella Municipal Code. City-Initiated
14. Approve a Professional Services Agreement Between the City of Coachella and the Greater Coachella Valley Chamber of Commerce for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 in the Amount of \$82,500

Motion: To approve the Consent Calendar as presented

Made by: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa

Seconded by: Councilmember Galarza

Approved: 5-0, Unanimous roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa, Councilmember Delgado, Councilmember Galarza, Mayor Pro Tem Virgen, and Mayor Hernandez

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

**NEW BUSINESS CALENDAR (LEGISLATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE):**

Councilmember Galarza requested to move item 19 to the first item under New Business.

Motion: To move item #19 before item #15.

Made by: Councilmember Galarza

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Virgen

Approved: 5-0, Unanimous roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa, Councilmember Delgado, Councilmember Galarza, Mayor Pro Tem Virgen, and Mayor Hernandez

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

19. Adopt Resolution No. 2024-57 Approve American Rescue Plan Act Funds (ARPA) for the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) Program for the Business Management Program with the University of California, Riverside Extension (UCRX) in the amount of \$287,220.

Councilmember Galarza stepped away at 7:35 p.m. and returned at 7:37 p.m.

Motion: To adopt Resolution No. 2024-57 Approve American Rescue Plan Act Funds (ARPA) for the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) Program for the Business Management Program with the University of California, Riverside Extension (UCRX) in the amount of \$287,220.

Made by: Councilmember Galarza

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Virgen

Approved: 5-0, Unanimous roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa, Councilmember Delgado, Councilmember Galarza, Mayor Pro Tem Virgen, and Mayor Hernandez

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

Councilmember Dr. Figueroa made a comment that he does work for the University of California system and he does not gain any money from this because he does not work for that department.

15. Approve Plans and Authorize Staff to bid and Authorize Appropriation of \$3,000,000 from General Fund for the Avenue 52 Pavement Rehabilitation Project, City Project Number ST-139

Motion: To approve Plans and Authorize Staff to bid and Authorize Appropriation of \$3,000,000 from General Fund for the Avenue 52 Pavement Rehabilitation Project, City Project Number ST-139

Made by: Councilmember Galarza

Seconded by: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa  
Approved: 5-0, Unanimous roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa, Councilmember Delgado, Councilmember Galarza, Mayor Pro Tem Virgen, and Mayor Hernandez  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

16. Adopt Resolution No. 2024-33 Allocating \$500,000 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds Toward the Coachella Home Enhancement Program (HEP) and Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into an Agreement With the County of Riverside Housing and Workforce Solutions to Administer the HEP Program

Motion: To increase amount to include remaining ARPA Funds to \$523,000.

Made by: Mayor Pro Tem Virgen  
Seconded by: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa  
Approved: 5-0, Unanimous roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa, Councilmember Delgado, Councilmember Galarza, Mayor Pro Tem Virgen, and Mayor Hernandez  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

With the time being 8:17 p.m. and per Resolution No.2019-34, Public Comments were moved up right after item #16 on page 5.

1. Elvira Carrillo

17. Provide Staff Direction for 2024 Hometown Heroes Honorees

Direction given – Maritza Martinez has list of nominees.

18. Award Professional Services Agreement to Grizzly Entertainment for \$35,000 for a Drone Show Feature Addition to the 2024 Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony; Approve Allocation of \$35,000 from Unallocated General Fund Reserves for Award

Motion: To award Professional Services Agreement to Grizzly Entertainment for \$35,000 for a Drone Show Feature Addition to the 2024 Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony; Approve Allocation of \$35,000 from Unallocated General Fund Reserves for Award.

Made by: Councilmember Galarza  
Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Virgen  
Approved: 2-1-2 roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmember Galarza and Mayor Pro Tem Virgen  
NOES: Councilmember Dr. Figueroa and Mayor Hernandez  
ABSTAIN: Councilmember Delgado  
ABSENT: None

**PUBLIC HEARING CALENDAR (QUASI-JUDICIAL):**

NONE

**PUBLIC COMMENTS (NON-AGENDA ITEMS):**

The public may address the City Council/Board/Corporation/ Authority on any item of interest to the public that is not on the agenda but is in the subject matter jurisdiction thereof. Please limit your comments to three (3) minutes.

With the time being after the 8:00 p.m. hour and per Resolution No. 2019-34, Public Comments were moved up after item #16 on page 5.

**REPORTS AND REQUESTS:**

Council Comments/Report of Miscellaneous Committees.

City Manager's Comments.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the City Council and the Agencies, Mayor Hernandez adjourned the meeting at 8:46 p.m.

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Angela Zepeda  
City Clerk