



City Hall Council Chamber
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MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION AND SPECIAL 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

September 21, 2026

5:00 PM – CLOSED SESSION

6:00 PM – REGULAR MEETING

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

- **In Person:**

Anyone wishing to speak in person during the public comment period or on a particular item is required to fill out a Request to Speak Form. In order to be recognized, a Request to Speak Form must be turned in to the City Clerk prior to the start of the public comment period or before the agenda item is taken up by Council on which you wish to provide a comment.

- **In Real Time via Zoom:**

If participating in real time via Zoom, during the public comment period, participants must be visible on camera and use the “**raise hand**” function on Zoom.

- **In Writing via Email:**

If providing a written comment by email, you may submit your public comment to the City Council by emailing cityclerk@coachella.org. To comment by email, submit your comments no later than 12 p.m. on the day of the meeting by emailing your name, agenda item (if applicable), and your comment. Any correspondence received by the deadline will be forwarded to the City Council for consideration before action is taken on the matter, during the meeting and upon request one (1) hard copy of the written

public comments will be available for the public's view, and written comments will be retained for the official records. Written comments will not be read aloud at City Council meetings.

- The **live stream** of the meeting may be **viewed online** by accessing the city's website at www.coachella.org, and clicking on the "**Watch Council Meetings**" tab located on the home page, and then clicking on the "live" button.

CALL TO ORDER: - 5:00 P.M.

Mayor Dr. Figueroa called the City Council Closed Session and Regular Meeting of the City of Coachella to order at 5:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmember Martinez (arrived at 5:08 p.m.), Councilmember Delgado, Councilmember Virgen (arrived at 5:44 p.m.), Mayor Pro Tem Perez, and Mayor Dr. Figueroa

Absent: City Clerk and Treasurer

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: Mayor Pro Tem Perez,

Seconded by: Mayor Dr. Figueroa

Approved: 3-0

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Martinez and Councilmember Virgen

PUBLIC COMMENTS (CLOSED SESSION ITEMS):

None

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Desert Valley Builders Association v. The City of Coachella, et al.
Riverside County Superior Court, Case No. RIC1900832

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING: - 6:00 P.M.

The City Council reconvened into open session at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Lee Espinoza led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No reportable action taken.

CITY COUNCIL CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE:

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS (NON-AGENDA ITEMS) (LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM OF 30 MINUTES. IF ADDITIONAL TIME IS REQUIRED FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, THEY WILL BE HEARD AFTER. PUBLIC HEARING CALENDAR):

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.

1. James Rodriguez

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

2. HeadTrip Festival Update
3. Proclamations Presented to Coachella Boxing Club Boxers
4. 2026 Legislative Session Summary — Chromium-6, State Budget, and Bills of Note
5. Presentation on the Contract Law Enforcement Services

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.)

6. Regular City Council Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2026, 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. Voucher Listing- EFT's/Utility Billing Refunds/FY 2026-27 Expenditures as of September 21, 2026, \$1,304,276.50
8. Amendment No. 1 with Albert A. Webb Associates to provide Professional Engineering and Landscape Architecture Services for the Coachella Active Transportation and Urban Greening Projects, City Projects P-27, P-28, P-33, ST-142 and ST-143 in an amount not-to-exceed \$88,795.
9. Letter Agreement with Hemet Fence Corp. in the amount of \$25,778 for the Installation of Fencing Along the South Side of Old Avenue 52 between Hernandez Street and the CV Link Trail, Project PW 2026-08
10. Amendment No. 7 to the Professional Services Agreement with Angenious Engineering Services, Inc. in the amount of \$7,970,641 to provide Professional Engineering Services for the Avenue 50 Bridge over the Whitewater Channel Project, City Project ST-69.
11. Letter Agreement with Vintage Associates dba Vintage Outdoors in the Amount of \$37,689.00 to Purchase Seed for the 2026 Park Turf Seed Project, Project # PW 2026-07
12. Amendment No. 3 Agreement with IDS Group to provide additional design services for the Library Annex Project, City Project F-33 in an amount not to exceed \$120,000.
13. Authorize the City of Coachella's Tacos, Tequila and Chavela's Festival beer and tequila garden operation on October 17, 2026 at Veterans' Memorial Park from 4pm-8pm.
14. Adopt the First Amendment to Agreement by and Between City of Coachella and Sunline Transit Agency Concerning Advertising, Installation and Maintenance Related to Bus Shelters

Public Comment:

1. James Rodriguez on item #10

Motion: To approve the Consent Calendar

Made by: Councilmember Martinez

Seconded by: Councilmember Virgen

Approved: 5-0

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

NEW BUSINESS CALENDAR (LEGISLATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE):

15. Designate a Voting Delegate and Alternates to the League of California Cities Annual Conference & Expo

Motion: To nominate Councilmember Martinez as a Voting Delegate and Mayor Dr. Figueroa and Councilmember Delgado as Alternates to the League of California Cities Annual Conference & Expo

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

16. Discussion of Proposed Social and Mental Health Care Coordination Services with Care Solace, Inc. Utilizing Opioid Settlement Funds

Motion: To continue this item to the next Council meeting on October 14, 2026

Made by: Councilmember Virgen

Seconded by: Councilmember Martinez

Approved: 5-0

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

17. Amendment No. 1 to the Coachella Valley Association of Governments Joint Powers Agreement to Update Membership Requirements for Alternates on the Executive Committee and Bylaws Governing Attendance by Executive Committee Members

Motion: To approve Amendment No. 1 to the Coachella Valley Association of Governments Joint Powers Agreement to Update Membership Requirements for Alternates on the Executive Committee and Bylaws Governing Attendance by Executive Committee Members

Made by: Councilmember Delgado

Seconded by: Mayor Dr. Figueroa

Approved: 5-0

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

18. Construction Contract with Riverside Construction Company, Inc. in the Amount of \$48,709,821.10 Plus 10% Contingency for the Construction of the Avenue 50 Bridge Over the Coachella Valley Stormwater Channel (CVSC), City Project No.ST-69

Public Comment:

1. James Rodriguez

Motion: To approve Construction Contract with Riverside Construction Company, Inc. in the Amount of \$48,709,821.10 Plus 10% Contingency for the Construction of the Avenue 50 Bridge Over the Coachella Valley Stormwater Channel (CVSC), City Project No.ST-69

Made by: Councilmember Martinez

Seconded by: Councilmember Virgen

Approved: 5-0

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

19. Coachella Resident Engagement Academy

Motion: To approve Coachella Resident Engagement Academy with the addition to provide a Certificate of Recognition of the program to the graduates

Made by: Mayor Dr. Figueroa

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Perez

Approved: 5-0

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

20. City of Coachella Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Infrastructure Study Final Report

Mayor Dr. Figueroa stepped away at 7:29 p.m. and returned at 7:32 p.m.

Public Comment:

1. James Rodriguez

21. Authorize Staff to Advertise the Rancho Las Flores Park Expansion Project, City Project P-31

Mayor Pro Tem Perez excused herself from the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

Motion: To Authorize Staff to Advertise the Rancho Las Flores Park Expansion Project, City Project P-31

Made by: Councilmember Delgado

Seconded by: Mayor Dr. Figueroa

Approved: 4-0

AYES: Councilmember Martinez, Councilmember Delgado, Councilmember Virgen, and Mayor Dr. Figueroa

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Perez

PUBLIC HEARING CALENDAR (QUASI-JUDICIAL):

NONE

REPORTS AND REQUESTS:

Council Discussion on Future Agenda Items

Council Comments/Report of Miscellaneous Committees.

Department Director Reports

- Utilities – Proposition 218

Councilmember Virgen stepped away at 8:13 p.m. and returned at 8:15 p.m.

City Manager's Comments.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Dr. Figueroa adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Delia Granados
Deputy City Clerk