



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

## CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION AND 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

**April 08, 2026**

5:00 PM – CLOSED SESSION

6:00 PM – REGULAR MEETING

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<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></p> <p>Or One tap mobile : 16699006833,,88457271898#,,,,*606140#</p> <p>Or Telephone: US: +1 669 900 6833</p> <p><b>Webinar ID: 884 5727 1898</b></p> <p><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, 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](mailto: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](http://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 Pro Tem 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 Perez, Councilmember Delgado, Councilmember Virgen, and Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Figueroa

City Clerk (via Zoom) and City 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 modify the agenda to move item #13 before the Consent Calendar

Made by: Councilmember Perez

Seconded by: Councilmember Virgen

Approved: 4-0

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion: To approve the agenda with the modifications

Made by: Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Figueroa

Seconded by: Councilmember Virgen

Approved: 4-0

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS (CLOSED SESSION ITEMS):**

None

**ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:**

1. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT (Govt. Code Section 54957(b)(1))  
Title: City Manager

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

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Sergeant Yamaguchi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

No reportable action taken.

**PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/DIRECTION:**

2. Harvey Milk Day Proclamation

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Ayleen Ortiz
2. Jessica Dittmar
3. Eric Milward
4. Jamilet Felix
5. Carla Rocha
6. Carla Rocha
7. Adelsol Valle
8. Katy Torres
9. Shamara Valdez
10. Solay Lewis
11. Kaylee De Anda
12. Mikah Strong
13. Katie Arias
14. Lesley Figueroa
15. Nahely Castro Romer
16. Carina Romero
17. Noemi
18. Jacqueline Sanchez
19. Serena Garcia

20. Christian Daniel Aguirre
21. Yenia Padilla
22. Araceli Ibarra
23. Abigail Espinoza
24. Lorraine Salas
25. Jennifer Marquez
26. Abraham F.
27. Monzerrat Loza
28. Marina Beltran
29. Christina Gallegos
30. Georgina Villanueva
31. Jennifer Felix
32. Christina Gallegos
33. Michael Harrington
34. Abigail Garcia
35. Stephanie Ambriz
36. Perla Enriquez
37. Ana Garcia
38. Yeilin Padilla
39. Gabriel Marquez
40. Ana Garcia
41. Yeka Gascon
42. Crystal Garcia
43. Celeste Arreola
44. Barbara Boyer-Hoffmann
45. Ismael Cisneros
46. Juliana Taboada
47. Krystal Otworth
48. JoAnn Lamas
49. Kekoa Balmilero
50. Melissa
51. Jackie Mendez
52. Daisy Castaneda
53. Angel Barraza
54. Camilo Carranza
55. Howie Perez
56. Gigi John
57. Juan Marquez
58. Camilo Carranza
59. Jose Marcus
60. Camilla Iribe
61. Maria Esmeralda Marquez
62. Consuelo Marquez
63. Charlotte Hecht
64. Rubyd Olvera
65. Paola Lopez
66. Bianca M.

67. Perla Martinez
68. Julio Hermosillo
69. Virgie Duran
70. Vanessa M.
71. Juli Maxwell
72. Milee Hernandez
73. Ronnie/Veronica Bayne
74. Davitt Russell
75. Alex De La Cruz
76. Ashley Hernandez
77. Marcos Magana
78. Samara Gascon
79. Isaias Marquez
80. Adriana Torres Ceja
81. Al Partida
82. Judith Gumboa
83. Francisco Carrillo
84. Ruth Gascon
85. Jocsan Mandujano
86. Hannah R.
87. Fabio Solorzano
88. Elena Moiseyeva
89. Migdalia Sanchez
90. Clara Nieblas
91. Vanessa Cano
92. Danielle Amato
93. Kailah Rose
94. Anthony Noriega
95. Dora Lozano
96. Luis Sergio Perez Becerra
97. Diana Reza
98. Norma Padilla
99. Olivia Rodriguez
100. Laura Juarez
101. Isabel Rodriguez
102. Steven Peavy
103. Daniel Batcheler
104. Valeria Tamayo
105. Catalina Rivero
106. Diego Diaz C.

**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 ITEM NO. 15. 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
2. Allison Jeffredo
3. Natalia Cervantes
4. Araceli Hernandez
5. Anna Carrillo
6. JoAnne Lamos
7. Jazmin Ibarra
8. Ash B.
9. Cecilia Lemus
10. Consuelo Marquez
11. Olivia Rodriguez
12. Beverly Garcia
13. Danna Garcia
14. Migdalia Sanchez
15. Ever Cruz
16. Stephanie Ambriz
17. Karina Villalpando
18. Alejandro Cobos
19. Yumey Ochoa
20. Jesus Gonzalez
21. Liran Felix
22. Raul Valdez
23. Jon Becerra
24. Mel G.
25. Edgar Gomez Cardoso
26. Mila Smith
27. Dolores A. Torres
28. Yvette Zamora Cruz (via Zoom)

Item #13 moved up before the Consent Calendar

13. Process to Fill Mayoral Vacancy

Public Comment:

1. James Rodriguez
2. Sylvia Montenegro

Item #13 will be continued to the next Council meeting on 4/22/2026

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

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

3. Regular City Council Meeting Minutes of March 11, 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

4. Special City Council Meeting Minutes of March 25, 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
5. Special City Council Meeting Minutes of March 27, 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
6. Receipts, Disbursements, and Net Cash Flows

Public Comment:

1. James Rodriguez
7. Voucher Listing- EFT's/Utility Billing Refunds/FY 2025-26 Expenditures as of April 8, 2026, \$2,760,174.31

Public Comment:

1. James Rodriguez
8. Investment Report January 31, 2026
9. Maintenance of Effort Certification Statements Fiscal Year 2026/2027, the Local Streets and Roads Revenue Projections, as well as the Projected Five Year Measure A Capital Improvement Plans Budget for Measure A Funding
10. Adopt Resolution No. 2026-22, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Coachella to Adopt a List of Projects for Fiscal Year 2026-27, Funded by SB 1: Road Repair and Accountability Act

Motion: To approve the Consent Calendar

Made by: Councilmember Virgen

Seconded by: Councilmember Perez

Approved: 4-0

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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

11. Comprehensive Water and Wastewater Rate Study Update – Proposed Prop 218 Schedule

Councilmember Virgen recused herself from the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Public Comment:

1. Sylvia Montenegro
2. James Rodriguez

Motion: To approve Option 2 Schedule

Made by: Councilmember Perez

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Figueroa

Approved: 3-0

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Virgen

12. Approve a Special Event and Associated Appropriations for a Keys to the City Ceremony in Honor of the Coachella Valley High School Girls Soccer Team in Recognition of Their CIF Division 5 Championship

Motion: To approve a Special Event and Associated Appropriations for a Keys to the City Ceremony in Honor of the Coachella Valley High School Girls Soccer Team in Recognition of Their CIF Division 5 Championship with the modification of appropriating the budget to \$10,000 and adjusting the time to early evening

Made by: Councilmember Perez

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Figueroa

Approved: 3-0

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Councilmember Virgen

3. Process to Fill Mayoral Vacancy

Item #13 moved up before the Consent Calendar

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

None

**REPORTS AND REQUESTS:**

Council Comments/Report of Miscellaneous Committees.

City Manager's Comments.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Figueroa adjourned the meeting at 9:02 p.m.

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