



MINUTES

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

September 16, 2025

6:00 pm

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORENO VALLEY
MORENO VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS*
CITY AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY FOR THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT
AGENCY OF THE CITY OF MORENO VALLEY
MORENO VALLEY HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MORENO VALLEY PUBLIC FINANCING CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MORENO VALLEY PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY
BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES
MORENO VALLEY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS (5:30PM)

- 1. RECOGNITION: FOURTH OF JULY PARADE AND ART CONTEST WINNERS**
Mayor Cabrera presented recognition to the winners of the Fourth of July Parade and Art Contest.
- 2. PROCLAMATION: HONORING CALIFORNIA'S 175 ANNIVERSARY OF STATEHOOD AND NATION'S 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF INDEPENDENCE**
Councilmember Gonzalez presented the proclamation honoring California's 175th anniversary of statehood and the nation's 250th anniversary of independence to Carina Cabrera Deputy Director of Strategic Engagement, External Affairs, and Sky Connors, Southern California Coordinator External Affairs, and Maurice Lyles, Southern California Regional Director from Governor Gavin Newsom's office.
- 3. PROCLAMATION: RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER AS HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH**
Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz presented the proclamation recognizing September as Hispanic Heritage Month to representatives of Hispanic Chamber

of Commerce. Edwin Quinoez President of the Moreno Valley Chamber of Commerce and Karina Cocoltzi were present.

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Joint Meeting of the City Council, Community Services District, City as Successor Agency for the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Moreno Valley, Moreno Valley Housing Authority, Moreno Valley Public Financing Corporation, Moreno Valley Public Financing Authority, the Board of Library Trustees, and the Moreno Valley Community Foundation Board of Directors was called to order at 6:02 pm by Mayor Cabrera in the Council Chamber located at 14177 Frederick Street.

Mayor Cabrera announced that the City Council receives a separate stipend for CSD meetings.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Pro Tem Baca Santa-Cruz.

C. INVOCATION

The invocation was provided by Pastor Donny Wilson from Lighthouse Baptist Church.

D. ROLL CALL

Present:

Cheylynda Barnard -Councilmember

Erlan Gonzalez -Councilmember

Elena Baca-Santa Cruz -Mayor Pro Tem

Ulises Cabrera -Mayor

Absent:

Ed Delgado -Councilmember

E. MOTIONS TO EXCUSE ABSENCES

None.

F. STAFF INTRODUCTIONS

Patty Rodriguez – Manager of the Office of the Mayor and City Council/City Clerk

Sonia Gomez – Senior Deputy City Clerk

Steven Quintanilla- City Attorney

Brian Mohan - City Manager

Launa Jimenez – Assistant City Manager

Dena Heald – Chief Financial Officer/City Treasurer

Angelica Frausto-Lupo – Community Development Director

Kyle Warsinski – Economic Development Director

Melissa Walker - Public Works Director

Daniel Monto – Parks and Landscapes Division Manager

Robert Cardenas - Human Resources Director

Jesse Park – Fire Chief

Sarah Mack– Police Chief

G. APPROVAL OF ORDER OF AGENDA

Mayor Cabrera entertained a motion to approve the order of the agenda.

Moved by: Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1

Seconded by: Councilmember Gonzalez District 3

Approve Agenda Order

Ayes (4): Mayor Cabrera, Councilmember Barnard District 4, Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1, and Councilmember Gonzalez District 3

Absent (1): Councilmember Delgado District 2

RESULT: Approved (4 to 0)

H. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Fred Banuelos

1. El Grito event.

2. Pump Track.

David Nielsen

1. Hole in the Wall Inc.

Richard Bolter

1. Hole in the Wall Inc.

Christopher Baca

1. August 20th Scoping Meeting for Rancho Belago Estates.
2. Rancho Belago Estates development concerns.

Lindsay Robinson

1. Moreno Meadows development concerns.
2. Concerns with development on the east end.

Seth Cox

1. Parking lot repairs.

Morgan Valle

1. Road safety.
2. Bike lanes.

Benjamin Shuler

1. Hole in the Wall Inc.

Nikita Wilison

1. Apartment issues.

Roy Bleckert

1. Concerns with leadership in City.

I. JOINT CONSENT CALENDARS

Mayor Cabrera asked the City Council if there were any items they would like to remove for separate action or discussion.

With no items being removed by Council, Mayor Cabrera called for public comments to be heard.

Christopher Baca (I.9 & I.10)

1. Corruption.

Roy Bleckert (I.5)

1. Corruption in League of California Cities.

Moved by: Councilmember Barnard District 4

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1

Approve the Joint Consent Calendars

Ayes (4): Mayor Cabrera, Councilmember Barnard District 4, Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1, and Councilmember Gonzalez District 3

Absent (1): Councilmember Delgado District 2

RESULT: Approved (4 to 0)

I.1 ORDINANCES – SECOND READING/ADOPTION

I.1.1 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO 1031 - AMENDING CHAPTER 2.20 (CITY COUNCIL ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS) OF TITLE 2 (ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL) OF THE MORENO VALLEY MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING ANNUAL REPORTS

Moved by: Councilmember Barnard District 4

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1

Approval of City Council and Affiliated Boards' Regular Meeting Minutes for September 2, 2025 Closed Session, September 2, 2025 Regular Meeting and September 9, 2025 Study Session.

I.2 MINUTES - CITY COUNCIL- CLOSED SESSION - SEPTEMBER 2, 2025 - 4:00 PM

Moved by: Councilmember Barnard District 4

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1

Approval of City Council and Affiliated Boards' Regular Meeting Minutes for September 2, 2025 Closed Session, September 2, 2025 Regular Meeting and September 9, 2025 Study Session.

I.3 MINUTES - CITY COUNCIL- REGULAR MEETING - SEPTEMBER 2, 2025 - 6:00 PM

Moved by: Councilmember Barnard District 4

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1

Approval of City Council and Affiliated Boards' Regular Meeting Minutes for September 2, 2025 Closed Session, September 2, 2025 Regular Meeting and September 9, 2025 Study Session.

RESULT: Approved

I.4 MINUTES - CITY COUNCIL - STUDY SESSION - SEPTEMBER 9, 2025 - 6:00 PM

Moved by: Councilmember Barnard District 4

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1

Approval of City Council and Affiliated Boards' Regular Meeting Minutes for September 2, 2025 Closed Session, September 2, 2025 Regular Meeting and September 9, 2025 Study Session.

RESULT: Approved

I.5 APPOINT A VOTING DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE DELEGATE FOR THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES (LOCC) 2025 - ANNUAL CONFERENCE BUSINESS MEETING (REPORT OF: CITY CLERK) (DISTRICT: NOT APPLICABLE)

Moved by: Councilmember Barnard District 4

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1

That the City Council:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2025-62 – A resolution of the City Council of the City of Moreno Valley, California, appointing delegates and an alternate to the League of California Cities as official representatives of the City of Moreno Valley; and

2. Direct staff to submit to the League a certified copy of the resolution, appointing Mayor Ulises Cabrera as the delegate and Councilmember Erlan Gonzalez as the alternate, by September 24, 2025.

RESULT: Approved

I.6 COUNCIL DISCRETIONARY EXPENDITURE REPORTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026, JULY 1, 2025 – JULY 31, 2025 (REPORT OF: CITY CLERK) (DISTRICT: ALL DISTRICTS)

Moved by: Councilmember Barnard District 4

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1

That the City Council:

1. Receive and file the Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Council Discretionary Expenditure Report for July 1, 2025, through July 31, 2025.

RESULT: Approved

- I.7 COUNCIL TRAINING & TRAVEL EXPENDITURE REPORTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 (REPORT OF: CITY CLERK) (DISTRICT: ALL DISTRICTS)

Moved by: Councilmember Barnard District 4

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1

That the City Council:

1. Receive and file Fiscal Year 2025/2026 City Council Training & Travel Expenditure Report for the month of July 2025.

RESULT: Approved

- I.8 APPROVE CORRECTION TO THE 2025 COUNCIL COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION ASSIGNMENTS TO ADD SCAG REGIONAL COUNCIL (REPORT OF: CITY MANAGER) (DISTRICT: ALL DISTRICTS)

Moved by: Councilmember Barnard District 4

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1

That the City Council:

1. Approve correction to the 2025 Council Committee Participation Assignments to add SCAG Regional Council.

RESULT: Approved

- I.9 ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN PARCELS INTO CFD NO. 2021-01 (PARKS MAINTENANCE) (REPORT OF: FINANCIAL AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES) (DISTRICT: 1, 2, AND 3)

Moved by: Councilmember Barnard District 4

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1

That the CSD:

1. Adopt Resolution No. CSD 2025-29, a Resolution of Board for the Moreno Valley Community Services District of the City of Moreno Valley, California, ordering the annexation of territory to Moreno Valley Community Services District Community Facilities No. 2021-01 (Parks Maintenance) and approving the amended maps for said District, for the

Specific properties as listed in the Discussion section of this report and as previously approved by the Landowner and certified by the City's Election Official (Amendment Nos. 269, 280, 281, 283-285, 288-290, and 292).

RESULT: Approved

- I.10 ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN PARCELS INTO CFD NO. 2023-01 (PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES) (REPORT OF: FINANCIAL AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES) (DISTRICT: 1, 2, AND 3)

Moved by: Councilmember Barnard District 4

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1

That the City Council:

1. Acting in the legislative body of Community Facilities District No. 2023-01 (Public Safety Services), adopt Resolution No. 2025-63, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Moreno Valley, California, ordering annexation of territory to the City of Moreno Valley Community Facilities District, for the specific properties as listed in the Discussion section of this report and as previously approved by the Landowner and certified by the City's Election Official (Amendments Nos. 97, 99, 100, 102-104, 107-109, and 112).

RESULT: Approved

- I.11 PAYMENT REGISTER- JULY 2025 (REPORT OF: FINANCIAL AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES) (DISTRICT: ALL DISTRICTS)

Moved by: Councilmember Barnard District 4

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1

That the City Council:

1. Receive and file Payment Register

RESULT: Approved

- I.12 FY 2024/25 SB 1205 STATE MANDATED INSPECTIONS (REPORT OF: FIRE) (DISTRICT: ALL DISTRICTS)

Moved by: Councilmember Barnard District 4

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1

That the City Council:

1. Approve Resolution No. 2025-64, acknowledging the receive and file report regarding the State-mandated annual inspections of certain occupancies pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Sections §13145, §13146, and §17921.

RESULT: Approved

I.13 LIST OF PERSONNEL CHANGES (REPORT OF: HUMAN RESOURCES)
(DISTRICT: NOT APPLICABLE)

Moved by: Councilmember Barnard District 4

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1

That the City Council:

1. Ratify the list of personnel changes as described.

RESULT: Approved

I.14 ACCEPTANCE OF BELLA SERA PARK FROM D.R. HORTON LOS ANGELES HOLDING COMPANY INC. INTO THE CITY'S MAINTAINED PARK AND TRAIL'S SYSTEM (REPORT OF: PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES) (DISTRICT 3)

Moved by: Councilmember Barnard District 4

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1

That the City Council and CSD:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2025-65, a Resolution of the City Council and Community Services District of the City of Moreno Valley, Accepting the Park improvements for Bella Sera Park (Tentative Track Map 38236, (PEN21-0184) as complete and accepting Bella Sera Park into the City/CSD Parks and Trails System.
2. Authorize the City Engineer to execute a 90% reduction to the Faithful Performance Bond; to exonerate the Material and Labor Bond 90 days after acceptance, provided no stop notices or liens have been filed with the City Clerk; and to exonerate the remaining 10% of the Faithful Performance Bond at the conclusion of the one-year warranty period, contingent upon clearance of any notices or defects not addressed by the Developer during the warranty period.

RESULT: Approved

- I.15 APPROVE THE PURCHASE AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A CITY-OWNED HIGH SECURITY KEYWAY SYSTEM (REPORT OF: PUBLIC WORKS) (DISTRICT: ALL DISTRICTS)

Moved by: Councilmember Barnard District 4

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1

That the City Council:

1. Authorize the purchase and implementation of a city-owned high security keyway system, supplied by Roy E. Whitehead, Inc., and assigned exclusively to the City of Moreno Valley; and
2. Authorize the issuance of a purchase order to Roy E. Whitehead, Inc., for \$263,190 for the purchase of the keyway system and all corresponding materials, utilizing the United States General Services Administration Cooperative Purchasing Agreement; and
3. Authorize the City Manager to execute any purchase orders and/or change orders, contingent upon the approved budget.
4. Approve budget adjustment as set forth in the Fiscal Impact Section of this report.

RESULT: Approved

J. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None.

K. GENERAL BUSINESS

- K.1 APPROVE POLICY 1.10 – CITY COUNCIL ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, REVISING SECTION T - CITY COUNCIL LIAISON, REQUIRING AN ANNUAL ATTENDANCE REPORT (REPORT OF: CITY MANAGER) (DISTRICT: ALL DISTRICTS)

City Manager Brian Mohan provided the staff report.

With no Council questions of staff, Mayor Cabrera called for public testimony.

Roy Bleckert

1. Critical of City Council.

2. Concerns about leadership in the city.

With the conclusion of the staff report, Mayor Cabrera called for Council comments or deliberation.

Mayor Pro Tem Baca Santa-Cruz, Councilmember Barnard, and Councilmember Gonzalez provided comments on the item.

Councilmember Gonzalez asked a question of staff.

City Manager Brian Mohan responded to Councilmember Gonzalez's inquiry.

Mayor Cabrera provided comments on the item.

Mayor Pro Tem Baca Santa-Cruz provided additional comments on the item.

With no further Council deliberation or comments, Mayor Cabrera entertained a motion.

Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz made a motion to approve staff's recommendation.

Moved by: Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1

Seconded by: Councilmember Gonzalez District 3

That the City Council:

1. Approve Policy 1.10 – City Council Advisory Boards and Commissions, Revising Section T – City Council Liaison, Requiring an Annual Attendance Report; and/or

2. Provide any other direction to staff through an alternate motion.

Ayes (4): Mayor Cabrera, Councilmember Barnard District 4, Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz District 1, and Councilmember Gonzalez District 3

Absent (1): Councilmember Delgado District 2

RESULT: Approved (4 to 0)

L. REGIONAL COMMISSION/COMMITTEE/BOARD REPORTS

L.1 March Joint Powers Commission (JPC)

None.

L.2 Riverside County Habitat Conservation Agency Board of Directors (RCHCA)

Councilmember Gonzalez reported the following:

At the RCHCA Board of Directors Meeting on September 11, 2025, the Board received the following reports: Agency Attendance Roster; Stephens' Kangaroo Rat (SKR) Mitigation Fee Transfers from Member Agencies; Financial Report through June 2025; Contract and Grants Status Update; Status Report Concerning Reserve Management Committee for the Southwestern Riverside County Multi-Species Reserve and the Lake Mathews Reserve; Status Report Concerning Reserve Management Coordinating Committee; Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Annual Review and Financial Analysis; SKR Recovery Efforts; SKR Reserve Management and Monitoring Efforts Activities.

Additionally, staff recommendations were approved for the following:

- Approval of an Agreement Between RCHCA and Southern California Gas Company Regarding Incidental Take Authorization for the Stephens' Kangaroo Rat for the Line 2000W Phase 3 Validation Digs Project
- Adoption of a Surplus Property Disposition Policy
- Approval of the Schedule of Board of Directors Meetings for 2026
- Fiscal Year 2024/2025 4th Quarter Budget Amendment

L.3 Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC)

Mayor Cabrera reported the following:

The Commission held a public hearing on September 10th to receive input on the proposed Amended Riverside County Transportation Commission 91 Express Toll Policy and approved to eliminate the Zero Emission Vehicle discount.

The Commissioners had extensive discussion on the formats of further meetings and decided to conduct all Commission meetings in person starting October.

L.4 Riverside Transit Agency Board of Directors (RTA)

Councilmember Barnard reported the following:

The Committee accepted the Actuarial Study Results for the Workers' Compensation and Liability Programs.

The Committee also authorized staff to award an agreement to RCN Communications, LLC for the installation of onboard Wi-Fi routers, in the total project amount of \$250,129.

L.5 Western Riverside Council of Governments Executive Committee (WRCOG)

Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz reported the following:

At the September 8, 2025, WRCOG Executive Committee Meeting, reports for Fiscal Department activities, committees, agency activities, and various (external) committees were received and filed.

Additionally, the Executive Committee discussed the following key items:

Regional Streetlight Program Annual Update

- In Fiscal Year 2024/2025, staff saw a 42% increase in routine streetlight maintenance work orders, a 23% increase in pole knockdowns, and a 142% increase in vandalism incidents involving copper wire theft.
- Contractor performance experienced a 60% faster timeline to repair routine streetlight service calls from 7.34 days to 2.95 days, and a 35% shorter replacement timeline for pole knockdowns, from 85 days to 55 days.
- The California Street Light Association (CALSLA) is involved with SCE's General Rate Case, where SCE is requesting a 46% price increase for streetlighting rates, and CALSLA has provided counter proposals.
- CALSLA is working on a multi-agency task force to address copper wire theft in Los Angeles County.

TUMF Program Status Overview

- The TUMF Program has collected \$1.3B and reimbursed \$1.2B towards transportation infrastructure since the Program's inception in 2003. This has resulted in over 150 projects being completed with assistance from TUMF.

- In FY 2024/2025, the Program collected \$76.3M. 86% of the collections are from Residential development. 7% is from Industrial, and 7% from Commercial.
- The Program reimbursed \$33.4M while collecting \$76M leading to a growing balance in TUMF accounts. Year-to-year project allocations are not being fully spent by the local agencies.
- Five major projects were completed in FY 2024/2025, including the I-15 Aux Lane (Temecula), the Limonite Bridge Gap Closure (Eastvale), the I-15 / French Valley Pkwy (Temecula), the I-215 Holland Overpass (Menifee), and the Hamner Bridge (Eastvale / Norco).

Authorization to Proceed with Capital Improvements at 1955 Chicago Avenue

- Current tenants include the State of California x2 and Progressive Insurance.
- As staff are preparing to move into the new headquarters, a few tenant improvements are necessary:
 - Building-wide LED light conversion,
 - Buildout of unfinished space, and
 - Suite 200 improvements.

L.6 Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority Board of Directors (RCA)

None.

L.7 School District/City Joint Task Force

None.

M. EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATION REPORTS

None.

N. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Introduction of Kyle Warsinski – Economic Development Director.
2. Public Power Week – Customer Appreciation Event on Saturday, October 4th.
3. Community Day of Service – Saturday, October 11th at Sunnymead Park and Woodland Park.

O. CITY COUNCIL CLOSING COMMENTS

Councilmember Barnard

Councilmember Barnard left the meeting at 7:09pm and provided no closing comments.

Councilmember Gonzalez

1. El Grito Event – Councilmember expressed appreciation to staff and the Consulate.
2. Bella Sera Park Grand Opening, September 8, 2025.
3. Public Works – Thanks given for “No Parking” signs near Morrison Park.

Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz

None.

Mayor Cabrera

1. Hispanic Heritage Month, Celebrated September 15 to October 15.
2. Mexican Independence Day
3. El Grito Event.
4. Police and Fire – Thanks extended.
5. Bella Sera Park Grand Opening.
6. Patriot Park – Acknowledgement of Commissioner James Baker.
7. Little Free Libraries.
8. Economic Development Subcommittee Updates on 2026 World Cup and 2028 Olympics.

P. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

Q. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Cabrera adjourned the meeting at 7:17pm.

Submitted by:

M. Patricia Rodriguez

Manager of the Office of the Mayor and City Council/City Clerk
Secretary, Moreno Valley Community Services District
Secretary, City as Successor Agency for the Community
Redevelopment Agency of the City of Moreno Valley
Secretary, Moreno Valley Housing Authority
Secretary, Moreno Valley Public Financing Corporation
Secretary, Board of Library Trustees
Secretary, Public Financing Authority
Secretary, Moreno Valley Community Foundation

Approved by:

Ulises Cabrera

Mayor, City of Moreno Valley
President, Moreno Valley Community Services District
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