



MINUTES

CLOSED SESSION MEETING

November 4, 2025

4:00 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**

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Closed Session of the City Council of the City of Moreno Valley, Moreno Valley Community Services District, City as Successor Agency for the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Moreno Valley, Housing Authority, Moreno Valley Public Financing Corporation, Moreno Valley Public Financing Authority, Board of Library Trustees, and the Moreno Valley Community Foundation Board of Directors was called to order at 4:01 p.m. by Mayor Cabrera in the Council Chamber located at 14177 Frederick Street, Moreno Valley, California.

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

B. ROLL CALL

Present:

Cheylynda Barnard – Councilmember

Erlan Gonzalez – Councilmember

Ed Delgado - Councilmember

Elena Baca-Santa Cruz - Mayor Pro Tem

Ulises Cabrera - Mayor

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS ON THE AGENDA ONLY

None.

D. CLOSED SESSION

D.1 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)

Number of Potential Case(s): Two

D.2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

Case Name: Elmer Robin Thomas Jr. v. Ulises Cabrera and City of Moreno Valley

Case No. EDCV 25-1650 AB (PVC)

Mayor Cabrera announced he would be recusing himself from D.2 at the advice of the City Attorney due to potential conflict of interest.

Mayor Cabrera recessed the City Council to the Training Room, second floor, City Hall, for their Closed Session at 4:02 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz reconvened the City Council in the Council Chamber from their Closed Session at 5:30 p.m.

E. REPORT OF ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION, IF ANY, BY CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney Steven Quintanilla stated there was no reportable action in respect to item D.1. City Attorney Steven Quintanilla announced there was reportable action for item D.2 stating, "The City Council voted 4-0, with the Mayor recusing himself, to approve a two-million-dollar settlement with Mr. Thomas, for the full dismissal of only the City from his civil lawsuit filed in Federal court. The Council also directed the City Manager and City Attorney to execute the settlement agreement. So again, it was a 4-0-1 vote. The four voting yes were Mayor Pro Tem Elena Baca-Santa Cruz, Councilmember Ed Delgado, Councilmember Erlan Gonzalez, and Councilmember Cheylynda Barnard; with the Mayor recusing himself due to a potential conflict of interest.

F. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Pro Tem Baca-Santa Cruz adjourned the meeting at 5:32 pm.

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
Chairperson, City as Successor Agency for the Community
Redevelopment Agency of the City of Moreno Valley
Chairperson, Moreno Valley Housing Authority
Chairperson, Moreno Valley Public Financing Corporation
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