

# City of Fontana

8437 Sierra Avenue  
Fontana, CA 92335



## Minutes

**Tuesday, June 9, 2026**

**2:00 PM**

**Steelworkers' Auditorium  
8437 Sierra Avenue  
Fontana, Ca. 92335**

## **City Council Meeting**

*Acquanetta Warren - Mayor  
Peter A. Garcia - Mayor Pro Tem  
John B. Roberts - Council Member  
Jesus "Jesse" Sandoval - Council Member  
Phillip Cothran - Council Member  
Germaine Key - City Clerk  
Janet Koehler-Brooks, City Treasurer*

## **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:**

### **A. 2:00 P.M. Call To Order/Roll Call:**

The Regular Meeting of the Fontana City Council was held in the Steelworkers' Auditorium, 8437 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, CA 92335, on Tuesday, June 9, 2026.

Mayor Warren called the Regular City Council Meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Warren, Mayor Pro Tem Garcia, Council Members Roberts and Sandoval.

City Treasurer Janet Koehler-Brooks and City Clerk Germaine Key were also present.

**ABSENT:** Council Member Cothran

## **INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The invocation was given by Council Member Roberts, followed by the pledge of allegiance led by Council Member Sandoval.

## **CEREMONIAL ITEMS/PRESENTATIONS:**

**A. Mayor Warren and City Council to recognize Outgoing Planning Commissioner Idilio Sanchez. 26-1069**

Mayor Warren and the City Council recognized outgoing Planning Commissioner Idilio Sanchez for twelve years of service on the Planning Commission.

**B. Mayor Warren and the City Council to accept the 2026 San Bernardino's Best Readers' Choice Award, presented to Fontana Arts by the San Bernardino Sun Newspaper. 26-1055**

Mayor Warren and the City Council accepted the 2026 San Bernardino's Best Readers' Choice Award, presented to Fontana Arts by the San Bernardino Sun Newspaper.

## **PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS:**

The following individuals spoke under public communications:

Adrian Hernandez, a Fontana resident and student, expressed concerns about the limited employment opportunities available to teenagers and encouraged the City to explore additional job and internship opportunities for local youth.

Jeff Larson expressed concerns regarding gang activity, graffiti, and illegal dumping in his

neighborhood and requested additional measures to improve enforcement and neighborhood safety, including the potential expansion of surveillance camera systems. He thanked the Fontana Police Department for its assistance and stated his commitment to helping improve the community.

John Pedroza called for the removal of a Parks, Community and Human Services Commissioner, citing alleged misconduct during a police-involved incident resulting in a death, and referenced ongoing investigations and legal action related to the case.

Joz Sida spoke regarding public participation in municipal elections and expressed concerns that increasing candidate statement costs could create barriers for residents seeking elected office. She also commented on civic engagement, First Amendment rights, and her commitment to the Fontana community.

Grace expressed concerns regarding candidate statement fees and requested that the City ensure compliance with state law relating to indigent candidate waivers and candidate information.

Isabel Rios called for the removal of a Parks, Community and Human Services Commissioner, citing alleged misconduct during a police-involved incident resulting in a death, and referenced ongoing investigations and legal action related to the case.

Victor Rios called for the removal of a Parks, Community and Human Services Commissioner, citing alleged misconduct during a police-involved incident resulting in a death, and referenced ongoing investigations and legal action related to the case.

Roux called for the removal of a Parks, Community and Human Services Commissioner, citing alleged misconduct during a police-involved incident resulting in a death, and referenced ongoing investigations and legal action related to the case.

Maria Andino expressed concerns regarding neighborhood safety, including vandalism and other nuisance activities, and requested additional enforcement and assistance to address ongoing issues in the area.

Giovanni Tovar expressed concerns regarding public participation, candidate statement costs, housing policy, and the City's handling of certain community issues. He advocated for policy changes to promote transparency, equitable access to public services, and increased investment in housing and community well-being.

Marlen opposed Resolution No. 2026-048 regarding candidate statement costs, expressing concern that it could create barriers for future candidates and limit voter access to information.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR:**

Prior to the motion, Mayor Warren announced Item O would be pulled for discussion.

### Item O:

City Manager Matt Ballantyne clarified that the candidate statement fees referenced are

consistent with prior elections and reflect County-established costs due to election consolidation. He stated the City is not changing the fee structure, is acting as a pass-through for County fees, and noted that candidates may apply for hardship considerations through the City Clerk's Office.

Council Member Sandoval raised concerns regarding candidate statement fees and a \$1,000 deposit, questioning its justification and requesting clearer requirements for campaign sign removal timelines and associated costs. He also requested information on how the County calculates and structures candidate statement fees.

City Manager Ballantyne clarified that the candidate statement fees were established by the County in connection with election administration costs and that the \$1,000 deposit applies only to City election-related processes. He noted the deposit is not required if a candidate demonstrates financial hardship or chooses not to post campaign signage, and that an exception process is available through established eligibility criteria.

Mayor Pro Tem Garcia explained that the sign deposit was created to address ongoing issues with post-election sign removal and city cleanup costs, and is refundable once signs are removed, with hardship exceptions available. He also noted that election-related fees are set by the County based on actual costs.

**ACTION: Motion was made by Council Member Roberts, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia, and passed by a vote of 4-0 to approve Consent Calendar Items "A-O" with Council Member Sandoval voting No on Items "D, E, F, L, and O." The motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Warren, Garcia, Roberts, and Sandoval; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Cothran**

- A. Approval of Minutes** **26-1052**  
Approve the minutes of May 26, 2026, Regular City Council Meeting.
  
- B. Adoption of Ordinance No. 1988 (Second Reading), Amending Article XV Pertaining To Provisions Of The No Net Loss Program Including Sections 30-966 Through 30-969 And Sections 30-971 And 30-972, Pursuant To A Categorical Exemption In Accordance With CEQA Guidelines Sections 15060(C), 15061(B)(3), And Section 15378, And Directing Staff To File A Notice Of Exemption.** **26-1047**  
Conduct a second reading by title only and adopt, **Ordinance No. 1988**, Amending Multiple Sections Of The Fontana Municipal Code, Including Amendments To Article XV Pertaining To Provisions Of The No Net Loss Program Including Sections 30-966 Through 30-969 And Sections 30-971 And 30-972, Pursuant To A Categorical Exemption In Accordance With CEQA Guidelines Sections 15060(C), 15061(B)(3), And Section 15378, And Directing Staff To File A Notice Of Exemption.
  
- C. Adoption of Ordinance No. 1989 (Second Reading), Amending Multiple Sections Of The Fontana Municipal Code, Including Amendments To Sec. 30-12 Pertaining To The Definition Of Accessory Use, Principal/Primary Use, Vehicle And Truck Storage** **26-1048**

**And Vehicle And Truck Parking; Sec. 30-21 Pertaining To The Expiration Of Entitlement Applications; Sec. 30-360 Pertaining To Outdoor Dining In The Public Right-Of-Way In The Downtown Core; Sec. 30-371.2 Pertaining To Parking Requirements For Retail, Entertainment And Restaurant Uses In The Downtown Core; Sec. 30-390 To Correct Section References, Pursuant To A Categorical Exemption In Accordance With CEQA Guidelines Sections 15060(C), 15061(B)(3), And Section 15378, And Directing Staff To File A Notice Of Exemption.**

Conduct a second reading by title only and adopt, **Ordinance No. 1989**, Amending Multiple Sections Of The Fontana Municipal Code, Including Amendments To Sec. 30-12 Pertaining To The Definition Of Accessory Use, Principal/Primary Use, Vehicle And Truck Storage And Vehicle And Truck Parking; Sec. 30-21 Pertaining To The Expiration Of Entitlement Applications; Sec. 30-360 Pertaining To Outdoor Dining In The Public Right-Of-Way In The Downtown Core; Sec. 30-371.2 Pertaining To Parking Requirements For Retail, Entertainment And Restaurant Uses In The Downtown Core; And Sec. 30-390 To Correct Section References, Pursuant To A Categorical Exemption In Accordance With CEQA Guidelines Sections 15060(C), 15061(B)(3), And Section 15378, And Directing Staff To File A Notice Of Exemption.

- D. Adoption of Ordinance No. 1990 (Second Reading), Approving Development Agreement No 19-00002R1 for Assessor's Parcel Numbers: 0255-091-20, -23, -63, -64, and -65 26-1049**

Conduct a second reading by title only and adopt, **Ordinance No. 1990**, Approving Development Agreement No 19-00002R1 for Assessor's Parcel Numbers: 0255-091-20, -23, -63, -64, and -65.

- E. Adoption of Ordinance No. 1991 (Second Reading), Approving Development Agreement No 23-0085R1, as to Assessor's Parcel Number 0255-021-17 26-1050**

Conduct a second reading by title only and adopt, **Ordinance No. 1991**, Approving Development Agreement No 23-0085R1, as to Assessor's Parcel Number 0255-021-17

- F. Adoption of Ordinance No. 1992 (Second Reading), Approving Development Agreement No 23-0085R2, as to Assessor's Parcel Numbers 0255-011-13, 0255-011-14, 0255-011-18, 0255-011-19 AND 0255-011-25 thru 0255-011-32. 26-1051**

Conduct a second reading by title only and adopt, **Ordinance No. 1992**, Approving Development Agreement No 23-0085R2, as to Assessor's Parcel Numbers 0255-011-13, 0255-011-14, 0255-011-18, 0255-011-19 AND 0255-011-25 thru 0255-011-32

- G. Award a Construction Contract for the Baseline Avenue at Palmetto Avenue Traffic Signal Project (Bid No. DE-26-161-SB) 26-0996**

1. Award bid and authorize City Manager to enter into a construction contract with California Professional Engineering, Inc. for the Baseline Avenue at Palmetto Avenue Traffic Signal Project in the amount of \$1,094,777.92 and

authorize a 10% contingency in the amount of \$109,477.79 (Bid No. DE-26-161-SB).

2. Approve and authorize the City Manager to enter into any and all utility agreements, utility easements, and subsequent agreements on behalf of the City of Fontana for the Baseline Avenue at Palmetto Avenue Traffic Signal Project (Bid No. DE-26-161-SB).

**H. Initiation and Intention to Levy Assessments for 2026-27 for Landscape and Lighting Maintenance Districts 26-1042**

1. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-032**, of the City of Fontana, California, Initiating Proceedings to Levy and Collect Assessment Within Landscape Maintenance District No. 1 for 2026-27 and Ordering the Preparation of the Engineer's Report Therefore.
2. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-033**, of the City of Fontana, California, Declaring its Intention to Levy and Collect Assessments within Landscape Maintenance District No. 1 ("LMD #1") for 2026-27 and Giving Notice of and Setting the Time and Place of the Hearing on the Levy of the Proposed Assessment.
3. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-034**, of the City of Fontana, California, Initiating Proceedings to Levy and Collect Assessment Within Landscape Maintenance District No. 2 for 2026-27 and Ordering the Preparation of the Engineer's Report Therefore.
4. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-035**, of the City of Fontana, California, Declaring its Intention to Levy and Collect Assessments within Landscape Maintenance District No. 2 ("LMD # 2") for 2026-27 and Giving Notice of and Setting the Time and Place of the Hearing on the Levy of the Proposed Assessment.
5. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-036**, of the City of Fontana, California, Initiating Proceedings to Levy and Collect Assessment Within Landscape Maintenance District No. 3 for 2026-27 and Ordering the Preparation of the Engineer's Report Therefore.
6. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-037** of the City of Fontana, California, Declaring its Intention to Levy and Collect Assessments within Landscape Maintenance District No. 3 ("LMD # 3") for 2026-27 and Giving Notice of and Setting the Time and Place of the Hearing on the Levy of the Proposed Assessment.
7. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-038**, of the City of Fontana, California, Initiating Proceedings to Levy and Collect Assessment Within Landscape Maintenance District No. 3-1 for 2026-27 and Ordering the Preparation of the Engineer's Report Therefore.
8. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-039**, of the City of Fontana, California, Declaring its Intention to Levy and Collect Assessments within Landscape Maintenance District No. 3-1 ("LMD # 3-1") for 2026-27 and Giving Notice of and Setting the Time and Place of the Hearing on the Levy of the Proposed Assessment.

9. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-040**, of the City of Fontana, California, Initiating Proceedings to Levy and Collect Assessment Within Local Lighting Maintenance District No. 3 for 2026-27 and Ordering the Preparation of the Engineer's Report Therefore.
  10. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-041**, of the City of Fontana, California, Declaring its Intention to Levy and Collect Assessments within Local Lighting Maintenance District No. 3 ("LLMD # 3") for 2026-27 and Giving Notice of and Setting the Time and Place of the Hearing on the Levy of the Proposed Assessment.
- I. **Final Acceptance of Street, Storm Drain, Sewer, Landscape, and Signing & Striping Improvements on the northeast corner of Summit Avenue and Citrus Avenue for Tract No. 18825** **26-1014**
    1. Accept as complete the street, storm drain, sewer, landscape, and signing & striping improvements for Tract No. 18825, located on the northeast corner of Summit Avenue and Citrus Avenue.
    2. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-042**, accepting sewers in Tract No. 18825 as part of the City sewer system.
  - J. **Final Acceptance of Street, Storm Drain, Sewer, Landscape, and Signing & Striping Improvements on the northeast corner of Summit Avenue and Citrus Avenue for Tract No. 18915 (Taylor Morrison)** **26-1016**
    1. Accept as complete the street, storm drain, sewer, landscape, and signing & striping improvements for Tract No. 18915, located on the northeast corner of Summit Avenue and Citrus Avenue.
    2. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-043**, accepting sewers in Tract No. 18915 as part of the City sewer system.
  - K. **Adopt a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Fontana, California, Approving a Right-of-Way Use Agreement with Arcadian Infracom 2, LLC for the Installation, Operation, and Maintenance of Telecommunication Facilities, Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15303 and in the Alternative 15301, and Authorizing Filing of a Notice of Exemption** **26-1018**
    1. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-044**, approving a Right-of-Way Use Agreement with Arcadian Infracom 2, LLC for the installation, operation, and maintenance of Telecommunication Facilities Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15303 and in the Alternative 15301, and authorizing filing of a Notice of Exemption.
    2. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to enter into the Agreement.
  - L. **Consideration of Release Agreement ("Release Agreement") by and between the City of Fontana and HDO4, LLC to release certain** **26-1021**

**property from the land subject to that certain Disposition Agreement entered into by the City of Fontana and HDO4, LLC approved by the City on July 2, 2020 (“Disposition Agreement”) in furtherance of promoting buildout of the Ventana at Duncan Canyon Specific Plan (“Specific Plan”), pursuant to an exemption from CEQA in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Sections 15060(c)(2), 15064(d), and 15378.**

Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-045**, a resolution of the city council of the City of Fontana, California, approving a release agreement releasing certain real property from the obligations, conditions, and restrictions of that certain disposition agreement approved by the city council of the City of Fontana on July 2, 2020 by and between the city of Fontana and hdo4, LLC and determining that the action is exempt from the California environmental quality act in accordance with CEQA guidelines sections 15060(c)(2), 15064(d), and 15378.

**M. Approve an Agreement and Permit to enter with Fontana Courtplace I Housing L.P. related to certain real property located at 11196 Sierra Avenue, in Fontana, California 26-1040**

1. Determine the approval of the Agreement and Permit to Enter authorizing temporary access and use of an existing property area for construction staging purposes is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) and directs staff to file the notice of exemption.
2. Approve the Agreement and Permit to Enter with Fontana Courtplace I Housing L.P. Related to Certain Real Property Located at 11196 Sierra Ave, In Fontana, California; and
3. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Agreement and any non-substantive revisions necessary to implement the Agreement.

**N. Co-Sponsorship Application Cycle One (1) FY 2026/2027 26-1060**

1. Review, and approve the sixteen (16) Co-Sponsorship Applications for the 2026/2027 fiscal year (July 2026 through June 2027) totaling an amount of **\$71,235.00** as recommended by the Parks, Community, and Human Services Commission.
2. Consider a budget adjustment for a total of \$100,000 for the co-sponsorship program to be included in the 2026/2027 first-quarter requests.

**O. Calling of the November 3, 2026, General Municipal Election; Requesting Consolidation with the Statewide General Election to be conducted by the San Bernardino County Registrar of Voters; and Providing Regulations for Candidates 26-1056**

1. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-046**, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Fontana, California, Calling And Giving Notice of a General Municipal Election to be held in the City of Fontana on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, for the Election of Certain Officers of the City as Required By the Provisions of

the Laws of The State of California Relating To General Law Cities;

2. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-047**, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Fontana, California, Requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino to Consolidate a General Municipal Election to be held on November 3, 2026, with the Statewide General Election to be held on the date Pursuant To § 10403 of the Elections Code;
3. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-048**, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Fontana, California, Adopting Regulations for Candidates for Elective Office Pertaining to Candidates Statements Submitted to the Voters at a General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**A. Conduct a Public Hearing on the City Workforce Vacancies, Recruitment, and Retention Trends Pursuant to Assembly Bill 2561 (AB 2561) 26-1012**

Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-050** a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Fontana, California, affirming that a public hearing and presentation on the status of the City's vacancies, recruitment and retention efforts was conducted in accordance with Assembly Bill 2561.

Mayor Warren opened the public hearing.

City Clerk Key stated that no written public communications were received.

Human Resources Analyst Melvin Alegado provided the staff report.

With no requests to speak in favor or opposition, Mayor Warren closed the public hearing.

**ACTION: Motion was made by Council Member Sandoval, seconded by Council Member Roberts, and passed by vote of 4-0 to approve Public Hearing Item "A." The motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Warren, Garcia, Roberts, and Sandoval; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Cothran**

**B. Adopt a Resolution Vacating a Public Right-of-Way Easement on Highland Avenue and Oleander Avenue and Reserving any other Public Utility Easements 26-1030**

Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-049**, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Fontana, California, declaring that the Public Right-of-Way Easement over Highland Avenue and Oleander Avenue is unnecessary for present or prospective public use, and vacating the same pursuant to Streets and Highway Code Section 8320 et seq., and reserving an easement for public utility purposes.

Mayor Warren opened the public hearing.

City Clerk Key stated no written communications were received.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Gia Kim provided the staff report.

With no requests to speak in favor or opposition, Mayor Warren closed the public hearing.

**ACTION: Motion was made by Council Member Roberts, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia, and passed by vote of 4-0 to approve Public Hearing Item “B.” The motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Warren, Garcia, Roberts, and Sandoval; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Cothran**

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Adoption of Disruption of Telephonic or Internet Service During 26-1029 Meetings Policy.**

Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-051**, approving the proposed Disruption of Telephonic or Internet Service During Meetings policy so that the city can be in compliance with the recent SB 707 changes to the Brown Act.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Christina Rudsell provided the staff report.

**ACTION: Motion was made by Council Member Roberts, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia, and passed by vote of 4-0 to approve New Business Item “A.” The motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Warren, Garcia, Roberts, and Sandoval; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Cothran**

**B. Fiscal Year 2026/27 Supplemental Budget Report - City of Fontana 26-1033**

1. Approve the recommended Fiscal Year 2026/27 Supplemental Budget adjustments
2. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-052**, of the City Council of the City of Fontana establishing a General Fund Appropriations limit of \$419,975,336 pursuant to Article XIII (B) of the California Constitution for Fiscal Year 2026/2027.
3. Authorize the carryforward of available budget at fiscal yearend to the following fiscal year for all capital improvement projects and one-time funded initiative, and adjust supplemental fund balances.
4. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-053**, of the City Council of the City of Fontana reassigning the Purchasing Specialist Classification to the Teamsters Local 1932 City Hall Unit, and approving the updated salary table for the Executive Employees, Fontana Police Benefit Association, Fontana Police Officers’ Association, Fontana Police Management Association, Management/Confidential Employees, Teamsters Local 1932

City Hall Unit, Teamsters Local 1932 Public Works Unit for Fiscal Year 2026/2027.

5. Approve the recommended Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Hourly Billing Rate Schedule.

Chief Financial Officer Jessica Brown provided the staff report.

City Attorney Duran read the proposed Executive Salary Table into the record.

**ACTION: Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia, seconded by Council Member Roberts, and passed by vote of 4-0 to approve New Business Item "B." The motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Warren, Garcia, Roberts, and Sandoval; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Cothran**

### **CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS:**

City Manager Ballantyne highlighted several actions approved on the Consent Calendar, including an amended development agreement to advance construction of 106 affordable housing units, funding for improvements to the Baseline and Palmetto traffic signal, and in-kind services for community nonprofit events. He also thanked City staff for their efforts in hosting a successful Fontana Days Run and preparing the supplemental budget for the second year of the City's two-year budget cycle.

### **ELECTED OFFICIALS COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS:**

#### **A. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Appointment 26-1065 to the Planning Commission to Fill an Unscheduled Vacancy for the Unexpired Term Ending December 9, 2026**

Mayor Warren stated that, due to the unscheduled Planning Commission vacancy created by the resignation of Idilio Sanchez, the City Council would make an interim appointment pursuant to Government Code Section 54974(b). She noted that a final appointment would be considered at the June 23, 2026, City Council meeting following completion of the required 10-working-day vacancy notice period, which commenced with the posting of the notice on June 4, 2026.

Mayor Warren nominated Gilbert Roldan for appointment to fill an unscheduled vacancy on the Planning Commission for the unexpired term ending December 9, 2026.

Council Member Sandoval expressed concern about maintaining a quorum for the Parks, Community, and Human Services Commission and suggested delaying the appointment until existing vacancies on that commission were filled. Mayor Warren acknowledged the concern and stated that, if the appointment were approved, the resulting vacancy would be posted and filled, and she did not anticipate an issue with maintaining a quorum.

**ACTION: Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia, seconded by Council Member Roberts, and passed by vote of 3-1 to appoint Gilbert Roldan as Planning Commissioner. The motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Warren, Garcia, Roberts; NOES: Sandoval; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Cothran**

City Clerk Key congratulated former Planning Commissioner Idilio Sanchez for his 12 years of service, congratulated Parks Commissioner Gilbert Roldan on his temporary appointment to the Planning Commission and recognized the Community Services Department for its well-deserved recognition and the success of the Fontana Days Run.

City Treasurer Koehler-Brooks thanked Chief Financial Officer Brown and staff for her excellent presentation of the supplemental budget and commended the success of the Fontana Days Run and festival.

Council Member Roberts congratulated Idilio Sanchez on his 12 years of service on the Planning Commission, recognizing his contributions to numerous City projects in Fontana. He also commended the success of the Fontana Days Run and thanked staff for their efforts in supporting the event and concluded by wishing Mayor Pro Tem Garcia a happy birthday.

Council Member Sandoval requested that the City reinstate or clarify procedures for providing translation services during public meetings, expressing concern that members of the public may not fully understand comments made in other languages. He suggested ensuring a translator is available either on staff or on call, noting the City's diverse population and the importance of equitable access to public participation.

City Manager Ballantyne explained that the City uses the Wordly AI translation system, which can translate approximately 80 languages and has been in use for over a year, with test results showing it to be more consistent than live translation services. He noted that the system supports both Council viewing and public accessibility, with translations displayed on screen and available upon request when speaker cards are submitted. He also stated he would review the meeting agenda preamble to ensure the language regarding translation accommodations is included.

Mayor Pro Tem Garcia recognized Idilio Sanchez for his 12 years of service on the Planning Commission, noting him as the longest-serving commissioner in the City's history, and also acknowledged former Commissioner Larry Meyers for his 11 years of service. He congratulated Gilbert Roldan on his appointment to the Planning Commission and expressed confidence in his service. Mayor Pro Tem Garcia also congratulated newly elected County officials, including Supervisor Jesse Armendarez, Assessor-Recorder-Clerk Josie Gonzales, and Auditor-Controller-Treasurer-Tax Collector Ryan Hutchinson, and expressed his intent to work collaboratively with them on behalf of the City.

Council Member Sandoval requested accessibility improvements for meetings, including written agenda materials and repositioning of monitors to improve visibility of agenda items, noting difficulty viewing the current screen layout. City Manager Ballantyne acknowledged the request and indicated it would be addressed.

Council Member Sandoval exited the meeting at 4:02 p.m.

Mayor Warren congratulated Idilio Sanchez for his longtime service on the Planning Commission and welcomed Gilbert Roldan to the Commission. She announced that Burrtec would not implement its annual CPI-related residential rate increase this year and encouraged residents to properly sort waste to help control future costs. Mayor Warren also recognized approved nonprofit sponsorships, congratulated recently elected county officials, thanked Council Member Roberts and Mayor Pro Tem Garcia for supporting the election resolutions, and commended staff and community partners for the success of the Fontana Days Festival and Run. She further highlighted downtown beautification efforts, including new public art installations, and reported on her attendance at the U.S. Conference of Mayors, noting the value of public-private partnerships in advancing community development.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Warren and the City Council led a moment of silence in memory of the following individuals:

1. Carinetha Bonner- Dawson.
2. San Bernardino County Fire Engineer Robert “BJ” Myers

Mayor Warren adjourned the meeting at 4:07 p.m. to the Regular City Council Meeting on Tuesday, June 23, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. in the Steelworkers’ Auditorium located at 8437 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, California.

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Christina Rudsell, CMC  
Chief Deputy City Clerk

**THE FOREGOING MINUTES WERE ADOPTED AND APPROVED BY THE FONTANA CITY COUNCIL ON JUNE 23, 2026.**

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Germaine Key  
City Clerk