

City of Fontana

8437 Sierra Avenue
Fontana, CA 92335



Minutes

Tuesday, June 23, 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 23, 2026.

Mayor Warren called the Regular City Council Meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

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

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

ABSENT: None

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

CEREMONIAL/ SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

- A. Mayor Warren and City Council to recognize Corporal Dustin Mullins, Officers Nicholas Straka, Gavin Rivers & Jon Gearhart, and Lead Property Technician Yvonne Jimenez, Property Technicians Jeana Grantley, Roxana Ramirez, & Adriana Barajas and Community Service Officer David Martinez as April 2026 Employees of the month.**

Mayor Warren and the City Council recognized Corporal Dustin Mullins, Officers Nicholas Straka, Gavin Rivers, and Jon Gearhart, and Lead Property Technician Yvonne Jimenez, Property Technicians Jeana Grantley, Roxana Ramirez and Community Service Officer David Martinez as April 2026 Employees of the month.

- B. Mayor Warren and City Council to recognize Dispatch Call Taker Joslynn Perez as May 2026 Employee of the month.**

Mayor Warren and the City Council recognized Dispatch Call Taker Joslynn Perez as the May 2026 Employee of the month.

C. Clean California Presentation

Marketing Specialist Ashley Martin announced that the City of Fontana received the Clean California Community designation, becoming the first city in San Bernardino County to earn the recognition. Mayor Warren congratulated staff and the community on

the achievement.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS:

The following individuals spoke under public communications:

Theresa requested the City evaluate extending sewer service to their neighborhood and expressed concerns regarding ongoing code enforcement and cleanup issues on Laurel Street between Miller Avenue and Foothill Boulevard.

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.

Derrick Martinez introduced himself as the new district representative for Eloise Gómez Reyes and expressed his commitment to maintaining a strong partnership with the City of Fontana.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Prior to the motion Mayor Warren addressed Item Q. and announced efforts by the City and County to reduce waste disposal costs for residents, including a reduction in landfill disposal fees and no CPI increase for residential trash rates this year. Mayor Warren thanked staff, County partners, and members of the Solid Waste Board for their efforts.

ACTION: Motion was made by Council Member Cothran, seconded by Council Member Roberts, and passed unanimously by a vote of 5-0 to approve Consent Calendar Items “A-T.” The motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Warren, Garcia, Cothran, Roberts, and Sandoval; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

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| A. | Approval of Minutes | 26-1083 |
| | Approve the minutes of June 9, 2026, Regular City Council Meeting. | |
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| B. | Authorizing Sole Source Purchasing Practices of Econolite Traffic Equipment for the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) TMS Signal Intersection Improvements (HSIPSL-5307(037)) | 26-0991 |
| | 1. Authorize Engineering Department to procure Econolite Traffic Equipment for the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) TMS Signal Intersection Improvements (HSIPSL-5307(037)), in the amount of \$1,171,480.00 and authorize a 10% contingency in the amount of \$117,148.00, utilizing the Purchasing Policy and Procedure Manual Section 3.1.5 Non-Competitive Proposal - Sole Source. | |
| | 2. Approve and authorize the City Manager to enter into any and all utility agreements, utility easements, installation, and subsequent agreements | |

on behalf of the City for the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)
TMS Signal Intersection Improvements HSIPSL-5307(037).

- C. Final Acceptance for the Demolition of 16756 and 16766 Arrow Blvd Project (PW-26-14-CC)26-1001**
Accept as complete the work performed by Interior Demolition Inc. for the Demolition Project (PW-26-14-CC) of 16756 and 16766 Arrow Blvd and approve the final amount of \$218,101.70.
- D. Adopt a Resolution Updating and Renewing Authorization for Participation in the CalRecycle Tire Cleanup (TCU) Grant Program 26-1015**
Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-054**, Authorizing the submittal of any and all payment program applications offered by CalRecycle.
- E. Approve a Development Impact Fee Credit Agreement for Parcel Map No. 20215 26-1041**
Approve and authorize the City Manager to enter into a Development Impact Fee Credit Agreement with CIVF VI - CA1W02, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, for the construction of Sewer, Storm Drain, and Circulation for Parcel Map No. 20215.
- F. Final Acceptance of Street and Sewer Improvements on Valencia Avenue for Tract No. 20546 26-1044**
1. Accept as complete the street and sewer improvements for Tract No. 20546, located along Valencia Avenue between Oleander Avenue and Cypress Avenue.
2. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-055**, accepting sewer on Valencia Avenue for Tract No. 20546 as part of the City sewer system.
- G. Award a Construction Contract for the City Sidewalk Reconstruction #3 Project (DE-26-167-SB) 26-1045**
1. Award bid and authorize the City Manager to enter into a construction contract with DT Stellar General Engineering for the construction of the City Sidewalk Reconstruction #3 Project in the amount of \$808,161.00 and authorize a 25% contingency in the amount of \$202,040.25 (DE-26-167-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 City Sidewalk Reconstruction #3 Project.
- H. 2026-27 Statement of Investment Policy 26-1053**
Adopt the City of Fontana Statement of Investment Policy for Fiscal Year 2026-27.
- I. Acceptance of Final Map for Tract No. 18973 26-1058**
1. Approve the Final Map for Tract No. 18973, located on the west side of

Date Street and north of Randall Avenue.

2. Accept dedication of a public easement.
3. Authorize the City Manager to enter into a Subdivision Agreement with the subdivider.

**J. Approve Task Order for Engineering Design Services with HR 26-1064
Green Pacific, Inc. for the SCE Undergrounding Acosta &
Firebird Circuits Project (DE-24-195-SQ-14)**

1. Approve and authorize the City Manager to enter into a Task Order in a not-to exceed amount of \$607,710.00 with HR Green Pacific, Inc. for engineering design services for the SCE Undergrounding Acosta & Firebird Circuits Project (DE-24-195-SQ-14).
2. Approve and authorize the City Manager to enter into any future amendments to the Task Order in a not-to-exceed amount of \$100,000.00.
3. Authorize the City Manager to enter into any and all utility agreements, utility easements, and any related items on behalf of the City of Fontana for the SCE Undergrounding Acosta & Firebird Circuits Project (DE-24-195-SQ-14).

**K. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Fontana 26-1066
Approving a Development Impact Fee Deferral Agreement
Between the City of Fontana and SA Golden Investments Inc.
for a Multi-Family Residential Apartment Complex Project and
Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into the Agreement and
Take Certain Actions to Complete the Transaction.**

Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-056**, approving a Development Impact Fee Deferral Agreement between the City of Fontana and SA Golden Investments Inc. for a multi-family residential apartment complex project, and authorizing the City Manager to enter into the agreement and take certain actions to complete the transaction.

**L. Approve a Purchase and Sale Agreement between the City of 26-1073
Fontana and VRP, Inc., a California Corporation, for the real
property along Oleander Avenue**

1. Approve a Purchase and Sale Agreement between the City of Fontana and VRP, Inc., a California Corporation, for the sale of a small portion of real property along Oleander Avenue.
2. Authorize the City Manager to enter into a Purchase and Sale Agreement with VRP, Inc., a California Corporation.

M. Fontana Police Helicopter Service Contract 26-1075

1. Approve a Service Agreement with HeliSafe, Inc. utilizing Purchasing Policy and Procedure Manual 3.1.5 Non-Competitive Proposal - Single/Sole Source for the Fontana Police Department Air Support Unit

Helicopters.

2. Authorize the City Manager (or his designee) to enter into a Service Agreement, all related documentation, and any amendments to continue this cooperative agreement as long as it is in the best interest of the City of Fontana.

N. Levy of a Special Tax in Community Facilities Districts (Maintenance) for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. 26-1078

Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-057**, Authorizing the Levy of a Special Tax within Community Facilities Districts (Maintenance) for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

O. Levy of a Special Tax in Community Facilities District No. 1 (Southridge Village) for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. 26-1079

Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-058**, Authorizing the Levy of a Special Tax in Community Facilities District No. 1 (Southridge) for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

P. Levy of a Special Taxes for Fiscal Year 2026-27 with respect to Community Facilities Districts of City of Fontana. 26-1080

Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-059**, of the City Council of the City of Fontana, California, authorizing the Levy of a Special Tax for the City of Fontana's Community Facilities Districts for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

Q. Amendment No. 9 to the Waste Disposal Agreement with the County of San Bernardino 26-1082

Approve Amendment No. 9 to the Waste Disposal Agreement (WDA) with the County of San Bernardino

R. Recharge Recycled Water Contract with Fontana Water Company 26-1091

1. Approve an Agreement regarding the transfer of recycled water recharged by the Inland Empire Utilities Agency for the City and transferred to the Fontana Water Company.
2. Authorize the City Manager to enter into the Agreement with the Fontana Water Company regarding the transfer of recycled water recharged.

S. Acceptance of Final Parcel Map No. 20910 for the Development of a 595 Multi-Family Unit Project on the Southwest Corner of Citrus Avenue and Summit Avenue, and the Abandonment of Easements on Said Map 26-1092

1. Approve Final Parcel Map No. 20910 for the development on the southwest corner of Citrus Avenue and Summit Avenue.
2. Accept dedication of public streets and easements.
3. Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to certify the abandonment of the street right-of-way easements for portions of Joe Avenue and Edward

Avenue as shown on the parcel map.

T. Appointment to Fill Vacancy on the Planning Commission 26-1095
(Term Ending December 9, 2026)

It is recommended that the City Council confirm the appointment of Commissioner Gilbert Roldan to the Planning Commission to fill the remainder of the unexpired term ending December 9, 2026.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. Appeal No. 26-0001: Request to overturn the Planning Commission's March 17, 2026 decision adopting a Categorical Exemption per Section 15332 (Class No. 32) and approving Tentative Parcel Map No. 18-000005 (TPM No. 19950), and Design Review No. 18-000010 - a request to split one (1) parcel into two (2) and for site and architectural approval for the development of two (2) new industrial commerce center buildings of 41,218 square feet and 30,767 square feet with associated site improvements on 3.98 acres located north of Hilton Drive and west of Hemlock Avenue, and identified as Assessor Parcel Numbers 1110-151-03. 26-1027

Deny Appeal No. 26-0001, thereby upholding the Planning Commission's decision on March 17, 2026, approving, pursuant to a categorical exemption under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Section No. 15332 (Class No. 32. Infill Development), Tentative Parcel Map No. 18-000005 (TPM No. 19950) and Design Review No. 18-000010 to split one (1) parcel into two (2) and for site and architectural approval for the development of two (2) new industrial commerce center buildings of 41,218 square feet and 30,767 square feet, with associated site improvements, on 3.98 acres located north of Hilton Drive and west of Hemlock Avenue, and identified as Assessor Parcel Numbers 1110-151-03.

Mayor Warren opened the public hearing.

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

Associate Planner Alexia Barberena provided the staff report.

The following individuals spoke in opposition of the item:

1. Hayley Uno, Lozean Drury, LLP

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 4-1 to approve Public Hearing Item “A.” The motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Warren, Garcia, Cothran, and Roberts; NOES: Sandoval; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

B. Quarterly Lien Action for Delinquent Sewer, Solid Waste and Weed 26-1074 Abatement Accounts

1. Authorize staff to complete and record lien against real property for those sewer accounts sixty days or more delinquent, solid waste accounts more than ninety days delinquent, and for properties with delinquent weed abatement charges outstanding as described in attached resolutions and written reports and to direct staff to file for the recording of liens for such properties.
2. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-060**, of the City Council of the City of Fontana authorizing the collection of certain annual wastewater and solid waste service charges, including delinquent charges for each service, on the County property tax rolls and determining and record liens against current delinquent parcels.
3. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-061** of the City Council of the City of Fontana adopting the statement of unpaid expenses for weed abatement and imposing a lien against real property for payment thereof.

Mayor Warren opened the public hearing.

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

Deputy Finance Officer Marlene Galvan 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 Cothran, seconded by Council Member Roberts, and passed unanimously by vote of 5-0 to approve Public Hearing Item “B.” The motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Warren, Garcia, Cothran, Roberts, and Sandoval; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

C. Public Hearing to Establish Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Assessment Rates for Landscape and Lighting Maintenance Districts 26-1081

1. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-062**, of the City Council of the City of Fontana, California, Confirming a Diagram and Assessment, and Levying the Assessment for Landscape Maintenance District No. 1 (“LMD #1” throughout the City) for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.
2. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-063**, of the City Council of the City of Fontana, California, Confirming a Diagram and Assessment, and Levying the

Assessment for Landscape Maintenance District No. 2 (“LMD #2” Village of Heritage) for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

3. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-064**, of the City Council of the City of Fontana, California, Confirming a Diagram and Assessment, and Levying the Assessment for Landscape Maintenance District No. 3 (“LMD #3” Hunter’s Ridge) for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.
4. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-065**, of the City Council of the City of Fontana, California, Confirming a Diagram and Assessment, and Levying the Assessment for Landscape Maintenance District No. 3- 1 (“LMD #3-1” Empire Center) for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.
5. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-066**, of the City Council of the City of Fontana, California, Confirming a Diagram and Assessment, and Levying the Assessment for Local Lighting Maintenance District No. 3 (“LLMD #3” Hunter’s Ridge) for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

Mayor Warren opened the public hearing.

Nick Kennedy and John Wright of Raftelis, provided the staff report.

The Council discussed long-term strategies to manage future wastewater rate increases, including the City's reliance on regional wastewater treatment, potential opportunities to reduce future costs, and comparisons with neighboring agencies. Staff and the consultant explained that proposed rates support essential system maintenance and capital improvements while noting that future funding strategies and regional cost impacts will continue to be evaluated.

City Attorney Ruben Duran confirmed that the City Council had received all protests, legal objections, and staff responses related to the public hearing prior to taking action.

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

City Clerk Key stated that 12 written protests were received. A majority of the owners of the identified parcels or tenants directly liable for such charges would equal 26,138. A majority protest does not exist to the proposed rates.

ACTION: Motion was made by Council Member Cothran, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia, and passed unanimously by vote of 5-0 to approve Public Hearing Item “C.” The motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Warren, Garcia, Cothran, Roberts, and Sandoval; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

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| D. | Consider Resolution Adopting Findings and Determinations regarding exhaustion of administrative remedies and to proceed with public hearing; Conduct a Public Hearing; and Consider Ordinance and Resolution Adopting sewer rate adjustment for Fiscal Years 2026-27 through 2030-31 | 26-1101 |
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1. Approve **Resolution No. 2026-067**, adopting findings and determinations regarding exhaustion of administrative remedies and to proceed with public hearing;
2. Conduct a public hearing;
3. Approve **Resolution No. 2026-068**, adopting proposed adjustments to the City's sewer rates; and
4. Approve **Ordinance No. 1993**, authorizing adoption of new or increased sewer services fees by Resolution, and taking certain other actions relating thereto.

Mayor Warren opened the public hearing.

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

Accounting Supervisor Samuel Perez provided the staff report.

Council Members Cothran and Sandoval inquired about the ongoing deficits in Landscape and Lighting Maintenance Districts (LMD) 1 and 2. City Manager Matt Ballantyne advised that the General Fund is currently subsidizing the districts and that a future workshop and community outreach process will be conducted to discuss long-term funding options, potential landscape modifications, and Council policy direction.

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 Council Member Cothran, and passed by vote of 4-1 to approve Public Hearing Item "D." The motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Warren, Garcia, Cothran, and Roberts; NOES: Sandoval; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Ballantyne highlighted several significant actions approved on the Consent Calendar, including downtown revitalization efforts, sidewalk improvements, electrical infrastructure design work, and a regional agreement reducing landfill disposal costs. He also invited the public to the City's Fourth of July celebration and reminded residents of the City's enforcement of illegal fireworks through its social host ordinance.

ELECTED OFFICIALS COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS:

City Clerk Key extended condolences to Council Member Sandoval and his family, congratulated Police Department award recipients, and encouraged the community to enjoy a safe Fourth of July celebration.

City Treasurer Koehler-Brooks extended condolences to Council Member Sandoval and his family, wished the community a safe Fourth of July, and recognized Council Member Roberts' recent birthday.

Mayor Pro Tem Garcia highlighted attendance at the Pacific Crest Drum and Bugle Corps performance and announced that the Stage Red Youth Music Foundation would present a \$15,000 donation to the Fontana Unified School District to support intermediate school marching band uniforms.

Council Member Roberts extended condolences to Council Member Sandoval and his family and to the family of Coach Lance Ozier, thanked everyone for the birthday wishes, and wished the community a safe and enjoyable Fourth of July weekend.

Council Member Sandoval thanked everyone for their condolences.

Council Member Cothran extended condolences to Council Member Sandoval and his family, wished his colleagues a happy birthday, highlighted a meeting with James C. Ramos regarding proposed legislation related to Narcan training funding, victim protections, and youth mental health resources, and encouraged the community to attend the City's Fourth of July celebration.

Mayor Warren highlighted several recent community events and initiatives, including the Living Way Church car show, the upcoming Stage Red Youth Music Foundation donation to the Fontana Unified School District, the delivery of the first electric truck built by a Fontana business to Ontario International Airport, participation in a congressional housing roundtable, and the Empire Strykers youth soccer camp at South Fontana Park. Mayor Warren also recognized community partners, local businesses, and ongoing efforts to support youth, housing, and economic development.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

1. Jose Sandoval, Jr.
2. Coach Lance Ozier

Mayor Warren adjourned the meeting at 3:38 p.m. to the Regular City Council Meeting on Tuesday, July 14, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. in the Steelworkers' Auditorium located at 8437 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, California.

Christina Rudsell, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk

THE FOREGOING MINUTES WERE ADOPTED AND APPROVED BY THE FONTANA CITY COUNCIL ON JULY 14, 2026.

Germaine Key
City Clerk

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