

# City of Fontana

8353 Sierra Avenue  
Fontana, CA 92335



## Minutes

**Tuesday, April 8, 2025**

**2:00 PM**

**Grover W. Taylor Council Chambers**

## **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 Grover W. Taylor Council Chambers, 8353 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, CA 92335, on Tuesday, April 8, 2025.

Mayor Warren called the Regular City Council Meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

## **ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Warren, Council Members Cothran, Roberts, and Sandoval.

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

**ABSENT:** Mayor Pro Tem Garcia

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

### **A. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance:**

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

## **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**

### **A. Mayor Warren and the City Council to recognize awards received from California Parks and Recreation Society (Community Services Supervisor, Bianca Morales and California Parks and Recreation Society (CPRS) President, Kyla Brown to present).**

Mayor Warren and the City Council introduced Community Services Supervisor and CPRS District 11 President-Elect Bianca Morales who presented the following awards:

- CPRS District 11 - Community Champion Award- Project Boon – Eat and Be Well Event
- CPRS District 11 - Community Champion Award- Foundation of Hope – (Jack Long's Family) – Over 5 million dollars to Various groups and City programs.

CPRS District 11 President-Elect Morales also presented CPRS District Scholarships for professional development to the following City employees:

- Diana Escobar, Community Services Coordinator, Special Events
- Jasmine Saradias, Community Services Coordinator, Healthy Fontana

- Benjamin Galaz, Senior Community Services Assistant

Mayor Warren and the City Council introduced 2024 CPRS President Kayla Brown who presented the following awards:

- 2024 CPRS Award of Excellence recipient for Fontana Activities Brochure in the Marketing & Communications Award of Excellence category.
- 2024 CPRS Award of Excellence recipient for the Fontana Senior Paint Night in the Creating Community Aquatic Section Award of Excellence category.
- 2024 CPRS Aquatic Section Health and Wellness Award for the City of Fontana Fresh, Fit, and Fun Fair.

## **PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS:**

The following individuals spoke under public communications:

Karen Hooper, representing the Inland Empire Ronald McDonald House, invited the community to take part in the upcoming Walk for Kids event on April 27 at Fontana Park. She also shared information about the vital services provided by the Ronald McDonald House and expressed gratitude to the Mayor and City Council for their continued support.

Thomas Franke, also from the Inland Empire Ronald McDonald House, encouraged the community to attend the Walk for Kids Kickoff Event on April 9 at 5 p.m. at the Foundation of Hope.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**ACTION:** Motion was made by Council Member Roberts, seconded by Council Member Cothran, and passed unanimously by a vote of 4-0 to approve Consent Calendar Items “A-C.” The motion carried by the following vote: **AYES:** Warren, Cothran, Roberts, and Sandoval; **NOES:** None; **ABSTAIN:** None; **ABSENT:** Garcia

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| <b>A.</b> | <b>Approval of Minutes</b>  | <b>25-0141</b> |
|           | Approve the minutes of the March 25, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting.  |                |
| <b>B.</b> | <b>Adoption of Ordinance No. 1967 (Second Reading), Amending Chapters 16, 17, and 19 of the Fontana Municipal Code to make sections more intuitive and to incorporate current best practices.</b> | <b>25-0142</b> |
|           | Second Reading/Adopt <b>Ordinance No. 1967</b> , Amending Chapters 16, 17, and 19 of the Fontana Municipal Code to make sections more intuitive and to incorporate current best practices.        |                |

**C. Approve Reimbursement Agreement with HDO4, LLC for Construction of Traffic Signals at Duncan Canyon Road/Citrus Avenue and Duncan Canyon Road/John Previti Avenue 25-0152**

1. Approve and authorize the City Manager to execute a Reimbursement Agreement with HDO4, LLC for the construction of traffic signals at Duncan Canyon Road/Citrus Avenue and Duncan Canyon Road/John Previti Avenue, in an amount not to exceed \$ 2,398,531.00.
2. Approve appropriation and allocate the amount of \$ 2,398,531.00 from Fund 604 Measure T.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**A. Master Case (MCN) No. 24-0073 and Municipal Code Amendment (MCA) No. 24-0006: Fontana Municipal Code Amendments to Chapter 30 (Zoning and Development Code) to modify Section No. 30-467 pertaining to accessory dwelling units (ADUs) and junior accessory dwelling units (JADUs) to comply with State of California law. 25-0145**

Based on the information in the staff report, staff recommends that the City Council introduce **Ordinance No. 1966**; and,

1. Determine that the proposed ordinance is statutorily exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to California Public Resources Code section 21080.17 as CEQA does not apply to the adoption of an ordinance by a city or county implementing the provisions of Article 2 of Chapter 13 of Division 1 of Title 7 of the California Government Code, Which is California's ADU law and which also regulates JADUs, as defined by section 66313; and,
2. Adopt an Ordinance for Municipal Code Amendment (MCA) No. 24-0006 to amend Chapter 30 of the Municipal Code.

Mayor Warren opened the Public Hearing.

City Clerk Key stated no written communications were received.

Associate Planner Cecily Session-Goins provided the staff report.

With no one interested to speak in favor or opposition of this item Mayor Warren closed the Public Hearing.

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

## **CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS:**

### **A. City Manager Communications**

City Manager Matt Ballantyne had no comments.

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

### **A. Elected Officials Communications/Reports**

City Treasurer Koehler-Brooks had no comments.

City Clerk Key extended Easter greetings to all.

Council Member Sandoval offered condolences to the families and individuals in whose memory the meeting was adjourned.

Council Member Roberts also wished everyone a happy Easter.

Council Member Cothran had no comments.

Mayor Warren expressed appreciation to those who helped organize the recent Fontana Car Show, noting its success and encouraging the community to attend future events.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

### **A. Adjournment**

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

1. Benjamin Adame
2. Grace Thrasher

Mayor Warren adjourned the meeting at 2:33 p.m. to the Regular City Council Meeting on Tuesday, April 22, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. in the Grover W. Taylor Council Chambers located at 8353 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 APRIL 22, 2025.

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Germaine Key  
City Clerk