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## CITY COUNCIL

### MINUTES

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2026, 1:00 P.M.  
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER  
3900 MAIN STREET

PRESENT: Mayor Lock Dawson and Councilmembers Falcone, Cervantes, Robillard, Conder, Mill, Perry, and Hemenway

ABSENT: None

Mayor Lock Dawson called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

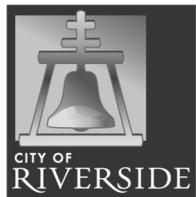
Councilmember Hemenway gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS IN PERSON/TELEPHONE

Ruben Soto spoke regarding activities related to pedophilia and the adult industry. Christine and Tim Martin spoke regarding the Housing First Model and Project Homekey+ grant. Chris Cook spoke regarding homeless services for Veterans. Miranda Hundley, Bruce Kulpa, Dave Stolte, Rabbi Suzanne Singer, Kris Lovekin, John Santoyo, Damien O'Farrell, Carolina Bowles, Alec Sandoval, Erin Conlisk, Luis Hernandez, Ruth Euijin Hwag, Franceen Edwards, Mark Elliott, San Hoxworth, Maribel Nunez, Ted David, I'Cha Pacheco, Tenille Ricci, Jemal Lilley, Barry Dawes, Eleni Khoe, Alejandro Atilano, Urban Cross, Ash Davis, Annabelle Navarez, Vicki Ross, Kyle Sweeney, Ernie, Nova Acosta, and others spoke regarding the Project Homekey+ and Quality Inn Project. Reverend Jane Quandt, Jasmine Sajjadi, and Jennifer Gonzalez spoke regarding the Project Homekey+ grant and Housing First Model. Aurora Chavez spoke regarding senior lunch program, Project Homekey+ grant and Quality Inn Project.

#### MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Falcone congratulated the Mayor on State of the City and reported on the Fire Department Foundation Annual Bowling Tournament Fundraiser, Wood Streets Neighborhood meeting, and Northside Improvement Association meeting. Councilmember Cervantes reported on Project Homekey+ grant and Quality Inn Project, the grand openings of Raceway Nissan, Stamp & Ship, and the Taco Shop, and wished the Mayor a happy birthday. Councilmember Robillard congratulated the Mayor on State of the City, reported on the Learning Institute for Flight Technology (LIFT) Program, thanked Avenue and Magnolia Church for assisting seniors in need, and reported on Ramona's Student Art Gala, and upcoming Ward 3 Community Conversations event. Councilmember Conder congratulated the Mayor on State of the City, reported on the ribbon cutting at Thunder Sky Park, and the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) Annual Strategic Planning Conference. Councilmember Mill wished the Mayor a happy Birthday and congratulated her on the State of the City, Sevita Health City Hall



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Tour, the Ward 5 Townhall meeting, and Villegas Park Boxing Club scholarship donation. Councilmember Perry reported on the grand opening of the HomeGoods store. Councilmember Hemenway congratulated the Mayor on State of the City and wished her happy birthday, reported on the Estrada Law Office and Super Woman Super Realtors' grand openings, the Rutland Park tree planting event, the Hidden Valley Nature Center modernization project ribbon cutting, La Sierra University Piano Recital, event, and the jersey retirement honoring alumnus San Antonio Spurs General Manager Brian Wright. Mayor Lock Dawson thanked her team, City staff, and the Chamber of Commerce for the State of the City.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The City Council Land Use Committee is scheduled for Monday, February 9, 2026, at 9 a.m. in the Art Pick Council Chamber.

The City Council Finance Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, February 11, 2026, at 1 p.m. in the Art Pick Council Chamber.

The City Council Mobility and Infrastructure Committee is scheduled for Thursday, February 12, 2026, at 1 p.m. in the Art Pick Council Chamber.

The City Council Safety, Wellness and Youth Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, February 18, 2026, at 1 p.m. in the Art Pick Council Chamber.

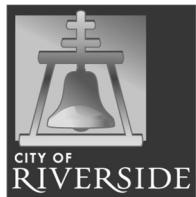
The City Council Economic Development Committee is scheduled for Thursday, February 19, 2026, at 3 p.m. in the Art Pick Council Chamber.

The City Council Housing and Homelessness Committee is scheduled for Monday, February 23, 2026, at 3:30 p.m. in the Art Pick Council Chamber.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

##### CITY MANAGER UPDATE

There were no updates from the City Manager's Office.



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#### COUNCILMEMBERS DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND EX PARTE

Councilmember Cervantes recused herself from the item regarding approval of Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Subrecipient Agreement with the Public Works Department, citing conflict of interest due to real property. Councilmember Robillard recused himself from the item regarding Award Bid 8148 for construction of at-grade rail crossing street improvements for Palm and Brockton Avenues, citing conflict of interest as he owns property within 500 feet.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

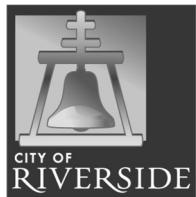
It was moved by Councilmember Hemenway and seconded by Councilmember Perry to approve the Consent Calendar as presented affirming the actions appropriate to each item except with Councilmember Cervantes recused from the item related to approval of Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Subrecipient Agreement with the Public Works Department and Councilmember Robillard recused from the item awarding Bid 8148 for the construction of at-grade rail crossing street improvements for Palm and Brockton Avenues. The motion carried unanimously.

#### JOSEPH L. NEALE JR. PAROLE HEARING - CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION BOARD - FILE OPPOSITION LETTER

The City Council (1) authorized the Mayor and City Council to transmit the parole opposition letter to the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) Board of Parole Hearings; and (2) directed the City Clerk to ensure timely delivery of the letter to the Board of Parole Hearings prior to the scheduled hearing date.

#### SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT - ENTRADA AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT - 1701 SEVENTH

The City Council (1) approved an Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Riverside and the Public Works Department of the City of Riverside for a \$3,530,352 grant to support Sustainable Transportation Infrastructure (STI) Transit- Related Amenities (TRA) and as part of the Entrada affordable housing project; (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to sign and execute the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Subrecipient Agreement with Public Works Department of the City of Riverside, including making minor and non- substantive changes; (3) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to amend the contract with the State and Public Works Department of the City of Riverside, to add or replace projects that are contingent upon the grant administrator approval and within the available budgeted funds; and (4) authorized the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record a budget adjustment in the amount of \$3,530,352 upon approval of the Subrecipient



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Agreement in the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund AHSC - Entrada Public Works Project Accounts. Councilmember Cervantes recused.

#### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2485 - RETIREE BILLING ADMINISTRATION SERVICES

The City Council (1) approved the Professional Consultant Services Agreement from Request for Proposal 2485 with The Advantage Group (TAG), Temecula, to provide Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) and Retiree Billing Administrative Services January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2028, with an option to extend for two additional one-year terms; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the agreement and make minor non substantive changes.

#### HUMAN RESOURCES POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL REVISIONS

The City Council adopted the proposed revisions to the City's personnel policies, contained in the Human Resources Policy and Procedure Manual including Policy I-17 Appointment and Selection of City Attorney Classifications and Salary Placement, Policy V-11 Section 125 Cafeteria Plan, and Policy V-5 Leave of Absence Military.

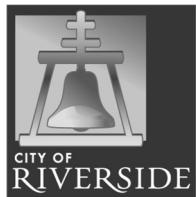
#### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2506 AGREEMENT - CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS PLANS WORKSHOPS

The City Council (1) approved the Professional Consultant Services Agreement from Request for Proposal 2506 with Tetra Tech, Pasadena, to provide Continuity Of Operations Plans (COOP) workshops to small business and non-profits to be completed by July 10, 2026, for a contract amount of \$105,000, through the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant Fiscal Year 2023; (2) approved change order authority of \$25,340 for optional additional term through the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant Fiscal Year 2024 to be completed by end of May 2027; and (3) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the agreement and make minor non substantive changes.

#### SPEED LIMIT ZONE - FIRST STREET FROM ORANGE TO MAIN STREETS - VICTORIA AVENUE FRONTAGE ROAD FROM LARAMIE TO ARLINGTON ROADS - ORDINANCE INTRODUCED

The City Council introduced an ordinance amending Riverside Municipal Code Section 10.76.010 to establish 25 miles per hour (MPH) speed limits on both First Street from Orange Street to Main Street, and Victoria Avenue Frontage Road from Laramie Road to Arlington Road.

Whereupon, an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance of the City of Riverside, California, Amending Section 10.76.010 of the Riverside Municipal Code Designating the Prima Facie



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Speed Limits for Streets and Portions Thereof in Accordance with the Provisions of Sections 10.20.020 and 10.20.030", was presented and introduced.

#### AWARD BID 8148 - AT-GRADE RAIL CROSSING STREET IMPROVEMENTS - PALM AND BROCKTON AVENUES

The City Council (1) awarded Bid 8148 for the construction of At-Grade Rail Crossing Street Improvements for Palm Avenue and Brockton Avenue to Sol Construction, Inc., Riverside, in the amount of \$911,907.50; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Construction Contract with Sol Construction, Inc., including making minor non-substantial changes. Councilmember Robillard recused.

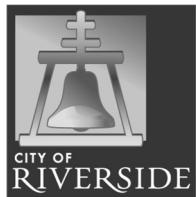
#### DISCUSSION CALENDAR

#### REJECT BID AS RESPONSIVE - AWARD CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR BID 8167 - FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 STREET PRESERVATION

Following discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Conder and seconded by Councilmember Perry to (1) reject the bid submitted by Roy Allen Slurry Seal, Inc., Santa Fe Springs, as non-responsive; (2) award a construction contract for Bid 8167 for the construction of Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Street Preservation with Union Pavement Services, Inc., Jurupa Valley, in the amount of \$1,949,270.65; and (3) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the construction contract with Union Pavement Services, Inc., including making minor and non-substantial changes. No one spoke on the matter. The motion carried unanimously.

#### CLOSED SESSIONS

The Closed Sessions pursuant to Government Code (1) §54956.9(d)(2) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning anticipated litigation regarding one case; (2) §54956.9(d)(4) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning the City Council deciding whether to initiate litigation regarding one case; (3) §54957(a), for consultation with Larry Gonzalez, Riverside Chief of Police, or his respective deputy, and George Khalil, Chief Innovation Officer regarding threat to public services or facilities; (4) §54957.6 to review the City Council's position and instruct designated representatives regarding salaries, salary schedules, or compensation paid in the form of fringe benefits of all Executive Management employees except the City Manager, City Attorney, and City Clerk, all Management and Confidential employees as defined by PERS, Fire Management Unit, Riverside City Firefighters Association, Riverside Police Officers Association (Police and Police Supervisory Units), Service Employees



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International Union #721, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers #47, and Riverside Police Administrators Association, were not held.

#### PUBLIC HEARING

CASE PR-2021-001114 GENERAL PLAN AND ZONING CODE AMENDMENTS AND DESIGN REVIEW – 4663 AND 4705 HEDRICK - 4618 JONES - CONTINUED

Case PR-2021-001114 to consider a General Plan Amendment, Zoning Code Amendment, and Design Review to facilitate a 117-unit multi-family residential development on 4.54 acres was continued to the City Council meeting on April 21, 2026. One person spoke regarding the matter.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION DISCUSSIONS

There was nothing to report.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION AS REQUESTED BY MAYOR OR MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL - CITY MANAGER/CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

Councilmember Perry requested an update on Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Legislation.

The City Council adjourned the meeting at 3:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DONESIA GAUSE  
City Clerk