



# City of Hesperia Meeting Minutes – Draft City Council

City Council Chambers  
9700 Seventh Ave.  
Hesperia CA, 92345

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Tuesday, May 20, 2025

6:30 PM

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REGULAR MEETING AGENDA  
HESPERIA CITY COUNCIL  
SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
HESPERIA HOUSING AUTHORITY  
HESPERIA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
HESPERIA WATER DISTRICT  
HESPERIA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT - SPECIAL MEETING

## CLOSED SESSION - 5:00 PM

### Roll Call

**Present:** 4 - Mayor Pro Tem Gregg, Council Member Bennington, Council Member Ochoa and Council Member Pullen  
**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Lee

### Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation Government Code Section 54956.9(d)1

1. *Sully-Miller Contracting, et al. v. City of Hesperia et al., SBSC Case No. CIVSB2410614*
2. *NAS69 Ventures LLC, et al. v. City of Hesperia, et al., SBSC Case No. CIVSV2438493*

### Personnel Matters - Performance Evaluations Government Code Section 54958

1. Performance Evaluation - City Attorney
2. Performance Evaluation - City Manager

***The Council voted 4-0 to approve the addition of the following item onto the agenda:***

### Conference with Property Negotiators Gov. Code § 54956.8

Water rights

Agency Negotiator(s): Rachel Molina, City Manager; Cassandra Sanchez, Public Works Director

Negotiating Parties: Rovert Hallway, Patricia Gage

Under Negotiation: Price and terms of water rights

## CALL TO ORDER - 6:32 PM

**A. Invocation**

**B. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

**C. Roll Call**

**Present:** 4 - Mayor Pro Tem Gregg, Council Member Bennington, Council Member Ochoa and Council Member Pullen

**Absent:** 1 - Mayor Lee

**D. Agenda Revisions and Announcements by City Clerk – None**

**E. Closed Session Reports by City Attorney-** The Council voted 4 – 0 to purchase 8 acre-feet per year of permanent water rights from the owners at a rate of \$7.025/acre-foot for a total of \$56,200.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS**

1. Presentation to the Oak Hills High School Bull Dogs Team for placing first at the High Desert Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Legislative Power Lunch Event.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS (For items and matters not listed on the agenda)**

*The following people commented:*

*Resident via voicemail*

*Bob Nelson*

*Robert Davie*

**JOINT CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A motion was made by Gregg, seconded by Pullen that the Joint Consent Calendar minus items 4, 6, 7, 8, 10-12 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Gregg, Bennington, Ochoa, and Pullen

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Lee

1. Consideration of the Draft Minutes from the Special Meeting held Tuesday, May 6, 2025.

**Recommended Action:**

It is recommended that the City Council approve the Draft Minutes from the Regular Meeting held Tuesday, May 6, 2025.

**Sponsors:** Deputy City Manager/City Clerk Melinda Sayre

2. Warrant Run Report (City - Successor Agency - Housing Authority - Community Development Commission - Water)

**Recommended Action:**

It is recommended that the Council/Board ratify the warrant run and payroll report for the City, Successor

Agency to the Hesperia Community Redevelopment Agency, Hesperia Housing Authority, Community Development Commission, and Water District.

**Sponsors:** Assistant City Manager Casey Brooksher

3. Treasurer's Cash Report for the unaudited period ended March 31, 2025

**Recommended Action:**

It is recommended that the Council/Board accept the Treasurer's Cash Report for the City, Successor Agency to the Hesperia Community Redevelopment Agency, Hesperia Housing Authority, Community Development Commission, and Water District.

**Sponsors:** Assistant City Manager Casey Brooksher

4. Agreement for the Acquisition of Wastewater Infrastructure Assets from Silverwood Development Phase 1, LLC

**Recommended Action:**

It is recommended that the City Council and the Board of Directors of the Hesperia Water District authorize the City Manager to execute an Agreement for the Purchase and Sale Agreement with Silverwood Development Phase 1, LLC (the Developer) in the amount of \$6,332,931 for the acquisition of wastewater infrastructure assets constructed to support the Silverwood master-planned community.

**Sponsors:** Assistant City Manager Casey Brooksher

*Robert Davie commented on this item.*

*John Ohanian commented on this item.*

**A motion was made by Bennington, seconded by Ochoa, that this item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Gregg, Bennington, Ochoa and Pullen

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Lee

5. Contract with Printing Services- Wirz and Company Printing, Inc.

**Recommended Action:**

It is recommended that the City Council and Board of Directors of the Hesperia District Water District authorize the City Manager to enter into a one-year contract with Wirz and Company Printing, Inc., in a not-to-exceed amount of \$80,000 for printing services.

**Sponsors:** Assistant City Manager Casey Brooksher

6. Acceptance of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grant- Citywide Sidewalk Repairs Phase I

**Recommended Action:**

It is recommended that the City Council accept the completed Citywide Sidewalk Repairs Phase I project and authorize staff to record a "Notice of Completion" and release all withheld retention amounts after a minimum of thirty (30) calendar days from the date of recordation.

**Sponsors:** Director of Public Works/City Engineer Cassandra Sanchez

**A motion was made by Ochoa, seconded by Pullen, that items 6, 7, 8 and 10 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Gregg, Bennington, Ochoa and Pullen

**Nay:** 0  
**Absent:** 1 - Lee

7. Acceptance of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grant- Citywide Sidewalk Repairs Phase II

**Recommended Action:**

It is recommended that the City Council accept the completed Citywide Sidewalk Repairs Phase II project and authorize staff to record a "Notice of Completion" and release all withheld retention amounts after a minimum of thirty (30) calendar days from the date of recordation.

**Sponsors:** Director of Public Works/City Engineer Cassandra Sanchez

8. Acceptance of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grant- Tamarisk Storm Water Basin Rehabilitation

**Recommended Action:**

It is recommended that the City Council accept the completed Tamarisk Storm Water Basin Rehabilitation project and authorize staff to record a "Notice of Completion" and release all withheld retention amounts after a minimum of thirty (30) calendar days from the date of recordation.

**Sponsors:** Director of Public Works/City Engineer Cassandra Sanchez

9. Iconix Waterworks- New Contract

**Recommended Action:**

It is recommended that the Board of Directors of the Hesperia Water District authorize the City Manager to enter into a one (1) year agreement with Iconix Waterworks in a not-to-exceed amount of \$150,000, for the purchase of A.Y. McDonald manufactured water products.

**Sponsors:** Director of Public Works/City Engineer Cassandra Sanchez

10. Acceptance of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grant- Roofing Replacement and Repairs - Plant 5, 18, 24, & 26, C.O. No. 8093

**Recommended Action:**

It is recommended that the City Council and Board of Directors of the Hesperia Water District accept the completed Roofing Replacement and Repairs - Plant 5, 18, 24, & 26, C.O. No. 8093 project and authorize staff to record a "Notice of Completion" and release all withheld retention amounts after a minimum of thirty (30) calendar days from the date of recordation.

**Sponsors:** Director of Public Works/City Engineer Cassandra Sanchez

11. Approve the FY 2025-26 SB-1 Funding Project List

**Recommended Action:**

It is recommended that the City Council approve Resolution No. 2025-14 approving the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Project List to be funded by SB-1: The Road Repair and Accountability Act.

**Sponsors:** Director of Public Works/City Engineer Cassandra Sanchez

*Robert Davie commented on this item.*

**A motion was made by Ochoa, seconded by Bennington, that this item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Gregg, Bennington, Ochoa and Pullen

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Lee

12. City Council Designation for a Representative at the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)

**Recommended Action:**

It is recommended that the City Council designate Council Member Chris Ochoa as the City's representative for the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG).

**Sponsors:** Assistant to the City Manager Tammy Pelayes

**A motion was made by Bennington, seconded by Gregg, that this item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Gregg, Bennington, Ochoa and Pullen

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Lee

13. One-Year Contract with Nobel Systems, Inc. for Citywide GIS Integrations

**Recommended Action:**

It is recommended that the City Council and Board of Directors of the Hesperia Water District authorize the City Manager to enter into a one-year contract with Nobel Systems, Inc. (Nobel), for a total not-to-exceed contract amount of \$93,502, for the City's Geographical Information Systems (GIS) software and associated services.

**Sponsors:** Deputy Human Resources/Risk Management Director Rita Perez

14. Three-Year Service Agreement with Assured Data Protection, Inc.

**Recommended Action:**

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a three-year professional services agreement with Assured Data Protection, Inc. for a total not-to-exceed contract amount of \$259,320 for the cloud-based Disaster Recovery as a Service (DRaaS) solution that provides comprehensive protection for the City's critical applications and data.

**Sponsors:** Deputy Human Resources/Risk Management Director Rita Perez

## **CONSENT ORDINANCE**

15. Development Code Amendment DCA25-00001; Applicant: City of Hesperia; Area affected: City-wide

**Recommended Action:**

Place on second reading and adopt by title waiving the text of Ordinance No. 2025-01, approving Development Code Amendment DCA25-00001, which modifies development standards related to Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) and Junior Accessory Dwelling Units (Junior ADUs).

**Sponsors:** Principal Planner Ryan Leonard

**A motion was made by Ochoa, seconded by Pullen, that this item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Gregg, Bennington, Ochoa and Pullen

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Lee

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

16. FY 2025-26 Budget Workshop #2 - Vacancies, Recruitment Efforts, and Retention Strategies as Required by California Assembly Bill 2561

**Recommended Action:**

It is recommended that the City Council/Board receive this report on the City of Hesperia proposed staffing for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 and hold a public hearing of a comprehensive overview of current job vacancies, recruitment efforts, and retention strategies as required by California Assembly Bill 2561.

**Sponsors:** Deputy Human Resources/Risk Management Director Rita Perez

**A motion was made by Ochoa, seconded by Pullen, that this item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Gregg, Bennington, Ochoa and Pullen

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Lee

## **NEW BUSINESS**

17. Construction Contract for Maple Avenue Sewer Line Replacement, C.O. No. 9018

**Recommended Action:**

It is recommended that the City Council and Board of Directors of the Hesperia Water District:

- 1) Award a construction contract for the Maple Avenue Sewer Line Replacement project, C.O. No. 9018, to the responsive and responsible bidder, CEM Construction, for the bid amount of \$1,341,200, add Alternate A for the amount of \$20,000, plus a 10% contingency of \$136,120 for a not-to-exceed total of \$1,497,320.
- 2) Approve the project as represented by the plans and specifications; and
- 3) Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the contract and any other necessary documents related to the project.

**Sponsors:** Director of Public Works/City Engineer Cassandra Sanchez

*Robert Davie commented on this item.*

**A motion was made by Bennington, seconded by Pullen, that this item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Gregg, Bennington, Ochoa and Pullen

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Lee

18. Overview of the City of Hesperia's Response to Fireworks

**Recommended action**

It is recommended that the City Council receive, and file information related to City, County Fire and Police response efforts related to illegal fireworks.

**Sponsors:** Assistant Chief Kelly Anderson and Lieutenant Robert Arrieta Brady

*Receive and file item.*

### **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

*The Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem and Council Members reported on various events and Committees.*

*Council Member Bennington requested to post the scan code for the fireworks report app on the City website.*

### **CITY MANAGER/CITY ATTORNEY/STAFF REPORTS**

*No comments*

### **ADJOURNMENT**

*The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.in honor of Class of 2025, Council Member Pullen's daughter graduating from Cal State Fullerton, the 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of Council Member Bennington's parents and grandson's 9<sup>th</sup> birthday.*

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*Jessica Giber,  
Assistant City Clerk*