



City of San Pablo

Meeting Minutes

City Council

Monday, July 6, 2026

6:00 PM

City Council Chambers
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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM in the Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pabon-Alvarado led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Councilmember Arturo Cruz, Councilmember Patricia Ponce, Councilmember Abel Pineda, Vice Mayor Rita Xavier, and Mayor Elizabeth Pabon-Alvarado

Staff Present:

City Manager, Matt Rodriguez
Assistant City Manager, Maria Ojeda
City Attorney, Brian P. Hickey
Police Chief, Brian Bubar
City Clerk, Dorothy Gantt
Deputy City Clerk, Casey Erlenheim
Administrative Clerk, David Gonzales

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

There were five (5) Public Comments received for Oral Communications from the following: Allan Padilla, Ana Figueroa-Aguilar, Deborah Stein, Caroline Olsen and Judy Barrientos.

CEREMONIAL MATTERS**PROCLAMATIONS**

1. [26-341](#) CONSIDER APPROVING AND PRESENTING PROCLAMATION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING POLICE SERVICES TECHNICIAN JULIE NEMANICK ON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT.

CEQA: This proposed action is not a project as defined by CEQA.

No Public Comments were received.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Xavier, seconded by Councilmember Cruz, that this Proclamation be Approved and Presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Cruz, Ponce, Pineda, Xavier, and Pabon-Alvarado

CITY MANAGER REMARKS

City Manager Matt Rodriguez made the following announcements:

1. *The July 4 Multicultural Celebration was a success, drawing an estimated 2,100 to 2,500 attendees. He recognized the Community Services Department for its planning and coordination of the event.*
2. *The Police Department's July 4 fireworks enforcement efforts resulted in a significant reduction in illegal fireworks activity compared to the previous year, with no fireworks-related incidents or injuries reported.*
3. *National Night Out will be held on August 4, 2026, at the San Pablo Community Center.*
4. *The next Dumpster Day event will be held on August 8, 2026.*
5. *The next Movies Under the Stars event will be held on August 14, 2026, at the San Pablo Community Center.*

CONSENT CALENDAR**MINUTES**

2. [26-331](#) CONSIDER APPROVING MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 2026

CEQA: This proposed action is not a project as defined by CEQA.

Approved.

3. [26-333](#) CONSIDER APPROVING MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2026

CEQA: This proposed action is not a project as defined by CEQA.

Approved.

4. [26-332](#) CONSIDER APPROVING MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2026

CEQA: This proposed action is not a project as defined by CEQA.

Approved.

5. [26-345](#) CONSIDER APPROVING MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2026

CEQA: This proposed action is not a project as defined by CEQA.

Approved.

PERIODIC REPORTS

6. [26-312](#) CONSIDER APPROVING VENDOR CHECK REGISTER REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2026

CEQA: This proposed action is not a project as defined by CEQA.

Approved.

LIABILITY CLAIMS

7. [26-323](#) CONSIDER DENYING LIABILITY CLAIM OF ROSIO RICO (DOL 04/25/2026)

CEQA: This proposed action is not a project as defined by CEQA.

Denied.

8. [26-324](#) CONSIDER DENYING LIABILITY CLAIM OF AMER MAHMOUD ALHMOUD ALDABBAS (DOL 12/17/2025)

CEQA: This proposed action is not a project as defined by CEQA.

Denied.

9. [26-325](#) CONSIDER DENYING LIABILITY CLAIM OF LUCYA HALIM (DOL 12/17/2025)

CEQA: This proposed action is not a project as defined by CEQA.

Denied.

10. [26-327](#) CONSIDER DENYING LIABILITY CLAIM OF LUZ MARINA CASTILLO (DOL 03/17/2026)

CEQA: This proposed action is not a project as defined by CEQA.

Denied.

CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZATION

11. [26-286](#) CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE SAN PABLO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR FISCAL YEARS 2026-27 AND 2027-28 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,125,000 OVER THE TWO-YEAR TERM OF THE AGREEMENT.

CEQA: This proposed action is not a project as defined by CEQA.

Adopted.

***Note that Councilmember Cruz recused..**

Enactment No: RES 2026-112

12. [26-358](#) CONSIDER RATIFYING A LETTER OF SUPPORT FROM SAN PABLO MAYOR PABON-ALVARADO/CITY COUNCIL AND THE NATIONAL ZIP CODE ADVOCACY COALITION FOR FEDERAL LEGISLATION S. 4505 - ZIP CODE GEOGRAPHIC INTEGRITY ACT TO CHANGE THE ZIP CODE FOR THE CITY OF SAN PABLO INCORPORATED MUNICIPAL LIMITS

CEQA: This proposed action is not a project as defined by CEQA.

Approved.

13. [26-314](#) CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN PABLO (1) ACCEPTING WORK PERFORMED BY GOLDEN BAY CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE FULL TRASH CAPTURE DEVICE AT WILLOW AND RIDGE PROJECT (0304) AS COMPLETE; (2) DIRECTING A NOTICE OF COMPLETION TO BE PREPARED AND FILED WITH THE COUNTY RECORDER; AND (3) RE-ALLOCATING PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED UNUSED FUNDS FROM THE FULL TRASH CAPTURE DEVICE AT WILLOW AND RIDGE (0304) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,626 TO THE SAN PABLO AVENUE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT (0202)

CEQA Compliance Statement

The Full Trash Capture Device at Willow and Ridge was assessed and determined to be Categorical Exempt from environmental review under Section 15304(b)&(f), 15301(b)&(c), and 15302(c) of the CEQA regulations. The CEQA Notice of Exemption (NOE) was originally filed at the Contra Costa County Clerk Office on January 31, 2022, and a revised NOE was filed on March 13, 2024.

Adopted.

Enactment No: RES 2026-113

14. [26-348](#) CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EVENT SPONSORSHIP OF \$1,500 TO UNITED BUSINESS ORGANIZATION FOR A HALLOWEEN COMMUNITY EVENT ON OCTOBER 31, 2026

CEQA: This proposed action is not a project as defined by CEQA.

Adopted.

Enactment No: RES 2026-114

15. [26-347](#) CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EVENT SPONSORSHIP IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,500 TO UNITED BUSINESS ORGANIZATION FOR A HOLIDAY TOY GIVEAWAY ON DECEMBER 19, 2026

CEQA: This proposed action is not a project as defined by CEQA.

Adopted.

Enactment No: RES 2026-115

16. [26-339](#) CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EVENT SPONSORSHIP OF \$5,000 FOR THE 23rd ANNUAL LYTTON CASINO GOLF TOURNAMENT AND FUNDRAISER TO BENEFIT LIFELONG MEDICAL CARE ON MONDAY, AUGUST 31, 2026

CEQA: This proposed action is not a project as defined by CEQA.

Adopted.

Enactment No: RES 2026-116

17. [26-342](#) CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN PABLO AUTHORIZING: (1) AN EVENT SPONSORSHIP FOR THE 2026 FIESTAS PATRIAS EVENT / LATIN AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE (\$5,000); (2) TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF STREETS FOR THE FOR THE PARADE; (3) WAIVER OF TRAFFIC CONTROL FEES; AND (4) PROVISION OF POLICE, COMMUNITY SERVICES, AND PUBLIC WORKS STAFF TO SUPPORT THE PARADE (ESTIMATED \$25,000 OF IN-KIND SERVICES) FOR A TOTAL SPONSORSHIP AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000

CEQA: This proposed action is not a project as defined by CEQA.

Adopted.

***Note that Councilmember Ponce recused.**

Enactment No: RES 2026-117

18. [26-350](#) CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EVENT SPONSORSHIP OF \$1,500 TO NURTURING INDEPENDENCE THROUGH ARTISITC DEVELOPMENT ("NIAD") FOR ITS GLAMOUR MOVES EVENT ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2026

CEQA: This proposed action is not a project as defined by CEQA.

Adopted

Enactment No: RES 2026-118

19. [26-343](#) CONSIDER RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN PABLO APPROVING FY 2025-26 CARRY FORWARD OF \$472,879 OF UNSPENT FY 2025-26 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROJECT PLAN APPROPRIATIONS (RESOLUTION 2026-013) TO FY 2026-27 AS COMMITTED FUND BALANCE FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THE APEX TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT, LLC, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY REMEDIATION PROJECTS

CEQA: This proposed action is not a project as defined by CEQA.

Adopted.

Enactment No: RES 2026-119

20. [26-359](#) CONSIDER ADOPTING A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN PABLO ADOPTING A CORRECTED EXHIBIT 3 FY 2026-27 AND FY 2027-28 BIENNIAL BUDGET SUMMARY TO CORRECT THE SERVICE AND SUPPLIES EXPENSE DETAILS AND SUPERSEDING EXHIBIT 3 PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED BY RESOLUTION 2026-083

CEQA: This proposed action is not a project as defined by CEQA.

Adopted.

Enactment No: RES 2026-120

Approval of the Consent Agenda

No Public Comments were received on the Consent Calendar.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Xavier, seconded by Councilmember Pineda, and approved by vote of those present, to adopt all items in the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with the noted recusals as follows:

for Item 11. 26-286:

Aye: 4 - Ponce, Pineda, Xavier and Pabon-Alvarado

Recused: 1 - Cruz

for item 17. 26-342:

Aye: 4 - Cruz, Pineda, Xavier and Pabon-Alvarado

Recused: 1 – Ponce

for all other items in the Consent Calendar:

Aye: 5 - Cruz, Ponce, Pineda, Xavier and Pabon-Alvarado

* * * * END OF CONSENT CALENDAR * * * *

CITY COUNCIL DISCUSSION/CONSIDERATION

21. [26-340](#) CONSIDER (1) AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PROCEED WITH RELEASE OF A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) FRAMEWORK TO UPGRADE THE FY 2025-27 CITY COUNCIL PRIORITY WORKPLAN, AND TO INCLUDE NEWLY RANKED, COMMUNITY PRIORITIES AND PRIORITY-BASED BUDGETING (PBB) MODEL FRAMEWORK; AND (2) ESTABLISHING a TEMPORARY City Council Ad-Hoc Subcommittee to coordinate with the City Manager on project progression and implementation

CEQA: This proposed action is not a project as defined by CEQA.

No Public Comments were received.

A motion was made by Councilmember Ponce, seconded by Vice Mayor Xavier, that this Action Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Cruz, Ponce, Pineda, and Xavier

Noes: 1 - Pabon-Alvarado

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS (IF ANY)

22. [26-212](#) MATERIALS SUBMITTED AFTER PUBLICATION OF THE AGENDA WILL BE APPENDED AFTER THE COUNCIL MEETING. THIS IS NOT AN ACTION ITEM BUT MERELY A MECHANISM FOR MATERIALS SUBMITTED AFTER PUBLICATION OF THE AGENDA TO BE APPENDED TO THE PUBLISHED AGENDA AFTER THE COUNCIL MEETING.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS REPORTS

- (a) Councilmember Arturo Cruz
- (b) Councilmember Patricia Ponce
- (c) Councilmember Abel Pineda
- (d) Vice Mayor Rita Xavier
- (e) Mayor Elizabeth Pabon-Alvarado

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 7:05 PM to the Special City Council meeting of Monday, July 13, 2026.

Respectfully Submitted,

Casey Erlenheim, Deputy City Clerk