

CITY OF RANCHO CORDOVA



CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, April 21, 2025

**5:30 PM – Regular Meeting
David B. Roberts Council Chambers**

**City Hall
2729 Prospect Park Drive, Rancho Cordova**

MINUTES

1. REGULAR MEETING - CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Pulipati called the Regular meeting to order in the David B. Roberts Council Chambers at 5:32 p.m.

Council Members Present: Linda Budge, Garrett Gatewood, Joe Little (arrived at 5:59 p.m.), Mayor Siri Pulipati

Council Members Absent: David Sander

Staff Members Present: Rachel Duhe, Palmer Hilton, Stacy Leitner, Persephonie Riley, and Micah Runner

2. METRO CABLE TV TELEVISION ANNOUNCEMENT

The City Clerk read the meetings recordings and playback schedule.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Meada Cashatt led the pledge.

4. INVOCATION

Ruby Smallwood with the Sacramento Sheriff's Chaplaincy gave the invocation.

5. PRESENTATIONS

5.1. Presentation of Proclamation to Project Sentinel in Recognition of Fair Housing Month.

5.2. Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) Long Range Transportation Plan Presentation.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Pulipati opened the public comment period. The following individuals addressed the Council or submitted public comment via email:

1. Valerie Knippschild

Mayor Pulipati closed the public comment period.

7. COUNCIL REPORTS

Council reported on events since the last meeting.

8. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Micah Runner gave his report.

9. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ROLL CALL VOTE

Mayor Pulipati opened the public comment period. Seeing no speakers, Mayor Pulipati closed the public comment period.

ACTION: Motion to approve items 9.1 to 9.8 by Budge second by Mayor Pulipati;
Motion passed with a 4:0 vote.

AYES: Budge, Gatewood, Little, and Pulipati

NOES: None

ABSENT: Sander

ABSTAIN: None

- 9.1. **Subject:** Meeting Minutes from the Regular City Council Meeting of April 7, 2025.

Recommendation: Adopt the minutes.

- 9.2. **Subject:** Second Reading of an Ordinance Amending Section 9.85.070 of the Rancho Cordova Municipal Code to Enhance the Penalty for Camping in Violation of Section 9.85.030 of the Rancho Cordova Municipal Code.

Recommendation: Waive the second reading and adopt the Ordinance.

- 9.3. **Subject:** Second Reading of an Ordinance Amending Section 8.05.010 of the Rancho Cordova Municipal Code to Require Veterinarians Located within the City of Rancho Cordova to Submit Rabies Vaccine Certificates to the Animal Services Manager within Thirty (30) Days of Administering the Vaccine.

Recommendation: Waive the second reading and adopt the Ordinance.

- 9.4. **Subject:** Second Reading of an Ordinance Adding Chapter 12.13, Sections 12.13.010-12.13.080, Street and Sidewalk Obstructions to the Rancho Cordova Municipal Code.

Recommendation: Waive the second reading and adopt the Ordinance.

- 9.5. **Subject:** A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Contract No. 2025-51 in an Amount not to Exceed \$1,104,007.00 with Sierra Nevada Construction, Inc. for the Anatolia Surface Treatment Project.

Recommendation: Adopt the Resolution.

- 9.6. **Subject:** A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Contract Change Order 2024-68-4 with Martin General Engineering, Inc., to Increase the Contract Amount from \$2,289,509.70 to an Amount not to Exceed \$2,463,447.29 for Construction of the Chase Drive American River Parkway Connection Project.

Recommendation: Adopt the Resolution.

- 9.7. **Subject:** A Resolution Acknowledging the Termination of a Community Theater Project in Partnership with Phoenix Production Company, doing Business as Rise Up Theatre and Rescinding Resolution No. 23-2024.

Recommendation: Receive and file this report documenting the notice from Rise Up Theatre to terminate their agreement with the City regarding the development of a community theater, and adopt a Resolution, rescinding Resolution No. 23-2024 which approved the forgivable loan agreement with Rise Up Theatre for the construction of a 99-seat multi-use performing arts facility.

- 9.8. **Subject:** A Resolution Approving the Increase to the Contract with Outside Counsel Sanders Roberts for Employment Litigation to an Amount not to Exceed \$325,000.

Recommendation: Adopt the Resolution approving a contract amendment to increase the existing contract with outside counsel Sanders Roberts to an amount not to exceed \$325,000 for employment litigation for the City as may be assigned by the City Attorney in consultation with the City Manager, in a form approved by the City Attorney.

10. CONSENT PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

None.

11. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

- 11.1. **Subject:** Mills Crossing - Specific Plan Amendment, Major Design Review, and Tentative Subdivision Map (Environmental Impact Report (SCH #2023010102) Prepared Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act) - Project No. PLND-0524-0098 - Located at 10153 Folsom Boulevard; APN: 076-0020-019, -020, -021, and -022.

Recommendation:

1. Adopt a Resolution certifying the Mills Crossing Environmental Impact Report and adopting the Mitigation Monitoring Report Program and CEQA Findings; and
2. Introduce and waive the first reading of an Ordinance adopting the Specific Plan Amendment with associated exhibit and track changes, subject to the findings contained in the Ordinance; and
3. Adopt a Resolution approving a Tentative Subdivision Map and a Major Design Review with associated exhibits, subject to the findings contained in the Resolution.

Mayor Pulipati opened the public comment period. The following individuals addressed the Council or submitted public comment via email:

1. Meada Cashatt
2. Melanie Freer
3. James Garcia
4. Helen Whelan-Bashaw
5. Jeff Good
6. Jim Garcia

Mayor Pulipati closed the public comment period.

ACTION: Motion to continue item 11.1. to a date uncertain by Budge second by Gatewood;

Motion passed with a 4:0 vote

AYES: Budge, Gatewood, Little, and Pulipati

NOES: None

ABSENT: Sander

ABSTAIN: None

12. REGULAR CALENDAR ITEMS

12.1. **Subject:** Economic Development Strategic Plan Update.

Recommendation: Receive presentation and provide feedback and direction to staff on frequency of future updates from the Economic Development Department.

Mayor Pulipati opened the public comment period. Seeing no speakers, Mayor Pulipati closed the public comment period.

ACTION: Input was received regarding the Economic Development Strategic Plan Update.

13. COUNCIL REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

14. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Pulipati adjourned the meeting to closed session at 8:06 p.m.

15. CLOSED SESSION - CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Pulipati called the closed session to order at 8:07 p.m.

Council Members Present: Linda Budge, Garrett Gatewood, Joe Little, Mayor Siri Pulipati

Council Members Absent: David Sander

Staff Members Present: Palmer Hilton and Micah Runner

16. CLOSED SESSION

16.1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)). Delisa Verdun vs. City of Rancho Cordova, and DOES 1 through 10, inclusive. Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 24CV019484

17. OPEN SESSION - REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Deputy City Attorney Palmer Hilton reported that staff was given direction and no reportable action was taken in closed session.

18. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pulipati adjourned the meeting at 9:04 p.m. in memory of Pope Francis.


Stacy Leitner, CMC
City Clerk