

MINUTES
LA PUENTE CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING OF
APRIL 8, 2025

Per *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised 11th Edition*, minutes are a record of the actions taken by the body. These minutes do not include a summary of the discussion but only reflect the action taken by the body. A complete audio recording of this meeting is available on the City's website www.lapuente.org.

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of La Puente was held in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 15900 East Main Street, La Puente, California, on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Munoz called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Munoz, Klinakis, Mendoza, Quinones

Members absent: Argudo

Staff members present: Acting City Manager/Director of Community Services Alexander Bauman, City Attorney Susie Altamirano, City Clerk Martha Torres, Director of Administrative Services Troy Grunklee, Director of Development Services John Di Mario, Chief/Director of Public Safety Jeffrey Buckwell, and Office Specialist Karissa Rivas Bustillos.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Munoz led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Munoz and Council Member Quinones provided certificates of recognition to the La Puente Warriors Jr. Pee Wee Cheer Team for their 2025 Quest Champion Title in Performance Recreation. Senator Bob Archuleta District Representative Karla Caceres presented certificates of recognition for the team's participation and representation of La Puente. Layla Perez, coach of the cheer team, thanked City Council and Senator Bob Archuleta for the certificates.

The City Council presented certificates of recognition to La Puente High School LP Runs LA students and teachers. Senator Bob Archuleta District Representative Karla Caceres presented certificates of recognition for the team's participation and representation of La Puente. Mr. Wesley Perez, teacher at La Puente High School, thanked the City Council for their support and the students for their participation. Alicia De Leon, LPHS senior student, recognized how LP Runs LA prepared her to run the LA Marathon. Alicia also thanked the teachers for their guidance and the City Council for the monetary support for LP Runs LA.

Camila Camaleon and Hector Trinidad Plascencia from the San Gabriel Valley LGBTQ Center presented a PowerPoint regarding the shared collaborative efforts with the City in supporting Trans and Queer communities.

Sergeant Hugo Barajas from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department spoke regarding recent activity within the City and announced an upcoming event for etching catalytic converters with license plate numbers.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

May announced the Rum Wong Dance Event on April 20, 2025, hosted in collaboration with The Pride of Thailand Organization and the City of La Puente.

Terry Madigan from the Board of Directors of the SGV LGBTQ Center thanked the City Council for their support with Pride events and the SGV LGBTQ Center.

BOARDS/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS – None.

A. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY MEETINGS

A-1 READ AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY MEETING OF MARCH 25, 2025

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Klinakis, seconded by Council Member Quinones, to waive the reading and approve the Minutes of the City Council and Successor Agency meeting of March 25, 2025. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Munoz, Klinakis, Mendoza, Quinones
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Argudo

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL – None.

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL – None.

D. CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Klinakis, seconded by Council Member Quinones, to approve Consent Calendar Item D-1. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Munoz, Klinakis, Mendoza, Quinones
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Argudo

D-1 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING WARRANT REGISTER NOS. 1590 AND 71

Action Taken: The City Council and Successor Agency adopted Resolution No. 25-5927 approving Warrant Register No. 1590 and Resolution No. SA 25-104 approving Register No. 71.

E. NEW BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL – None.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

Code Enforcement and Public Safety Committee: Nothing to report.

La Puente Park Fees, Ordinance and Program Oversight Committee: Mayor Munoz announced the 70th anniversary celebration for the City of La Puente would be coming soon.

Project LEAD Committee: Council Member Quinones spoke regarding his support for the students, teachers, and principals of the Hacienda La Puente Unified School District.

LPQT Action Committee: Council Member Quinones thanked the SGV LGBTQ Center for presenting and bringing cities together in their efforts to support the trans and queer communities.

Rowland, Bassett, and Hacienda La Puente Unified School Districts Liaison Committee: Nothing to report.

Senior Advisory Committee: Mayor Pro Tem Klinakis thanked the Staff for working on the application for Seniors to apply to become a part of the ad hoc committee.

Business Outreach Support: Mayor Pro Tem Klinakis spoke regarding creating social media content for businesses being recognized at City Council meetings. He stated that the process for businesses to be featured will be released at least once a week on all City of La Puente social media pages.

AB 1234 REPORTS – None.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Mayor Pro Tem Klinakis reported that he attended the La Puente Community Foundation Carnival and thanked Staff for the successful event.

Mayor Munoz reported that she attended her first meeting with Global Urban regarding grant writing and discussion regarding looking for funding in various areas took place. She encouraged City Council members to individually participate in future grant meetings with Global Urban and provide their insight and ideas.

ORAL COMMENTS FROM STAFF

Acting City Manager/Director of Community Services Alexander Bauman stated that the Breakfast with the Bunny and Egg Hunt Adventure events will take place on April 12, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Klinakis adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

Approved this 22nd day of April, 2025.

Martha Torres, MPA, CMC
City Clerk

Valerie Muñoz
Mayor/Chair