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CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA

ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING 5:30 P.M

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**REGULAR JOINT MEETING WITH THE
SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA,
LA HABRA CIVIC IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY,
CITY OF LA HABRA HOUSING AUTHORITY,
AND LA HABRA UTILITY AUTHORITY**

MONDAY, MAY 18, 2026

COUNCIL CHAMBER
100 EAST LA HABRA BOULEVARD
LA HABRA, CALIFORNIA 90631

The Regular Meeting of the City Council and Regular Joint Meeting with the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of La Habra, La Habra Civic Improvement Authority, City of La Habra Housing Authority, and La Habra Utility Authority for May 18, 2026, will be at the City of La Habra Council Chamber located at 100 East La Habra Boulevard, La Habra, California. The City Council Chamber will be open to the public at 6:00 p.m. and the meeting will start promptly at 6:30 p.m.

The public is encouraged to participate in the Regular Meeting of the City Council and Regular Joint Meeting with the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of La Habra, La Habra Civic Improvement Authority, City of La Habra Housing Authority, and La Habra Utility Authority by attending in person or submitting written comments via email to cc@lahabraca.gov no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, May 18, 2026. Written comments sent to the City by 5:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be printed and provided to the City Council prior to the meeting. The meeting can also be viewed live through the City of La Habra website at www.lahabraca.gov/356/Archived-Council-Videos by clicking on "Watch Live" at 6:30 p.m.

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ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING 5:30 P.M .:

CALL TO ORDER: Council Chamber, Closed Session Room 112C

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC FOR CLOSED SESSION MATTERS:

CLOSED SESSION:

1. Conference with Labor Negotiator per Government Code Section 54957.6 - Agency Representative: Jim Sadro, City Manager; Employee Organizations: General Services Employees' Group.
2. Conference with Labor Negotiator per Government Code Section 54957.6 - Agency Representative: Jim Sadro, City Manager; Employee Organizations: Professional Employees' Group.
3. Conference with Labor Negotiator per Government Code Section 54957.6 – Agency Representative: Jim Sadro, City Manager; Employee Organization: Management Group.

ADJOURNMENT:

REGULAR MEETING & REGULAR JOINT MEETING 6:30 P.M.:

CALL TO ORDER: Council Chamber

INVOCATION: City Attorney/Legal Counsel Collins

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Councilmember/Director Lampkin

ROLL CALL: Mayor/Chair Medrano
Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair Gomez
Councilmember/Director Espinoza
Councilmember/Director Nigsarian
Councilmember/Director Lampkin

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT:

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

1. RECOGNITION OF THE SONORA HIGH SCHOOL CHEER AND SONG TEAM
2. PRESENTATION BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
3. PROCLAIM MAY 10-16, 2026, AS NATIONAL POLICE WEEK IN THE CITY OF LA HABRA
4. PROCLAIM MAY 17-23, 2026, AS NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK IN THE CITY OF LA HABRA

PUBLIC COMMENTS: When addressing the La Habra City Council, please complete a Speaker's Card before leaving the Council Chamber.

General Public Comments shall be received at the beginning of the governing body meeting and limited to three (3) minutes per individual, with a total time limit of 30 minutes for all public comments, unless otherwise modified by the Mayor or Chair. Speaking time may not be granted and/or loaned to another individual for purposes of extending available speaking time, and comments must be kept brief, non-repetitive, and professional in nature. The general Public Comment portion of the meeting allows the public to address any item of City business not appearing on the scheduled agenda. Per Government Code Section 54954.3(a), such comments shall not be responded to by the governing body during the meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Senate Bill 1439 ("SB 1439") amended Government Code Section 84308 to expand the regulation of campaign contributions in excess of \$500 from donors involved in certain matters before the legislative body. If the donor has a matter pending before the agency, and the official received a campaign contribution from the donor in excess of \$500 in the prior 12 months, the official must publicly disclose the contribution and cannot in any way participate in the decision of the matter. The donor also has a duty to disclose the contribution on the record.

In the 12 months following the decision, a local official cannot receive campaign contributions in excess of \$500 from a donor with an economic interest in the governmental decision. Public officials are encouraged to closely track all campaign contributions which collectively exceed \$500 in any 12-month period from any single source.

All matters on Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion unless a Councilmember or City staff member requests separate action or removal of an item. Removed items will be considered following the Consent Calendar portion of this agenda. Public comment shall be limited to three (3) minutes per individual, with a total time limit of 30 minutes per item that has been removed for separate discussion, unless otherwise modified by the Mayor. Speaking time may not be granted and/or loaned to another individual for purposes of extending available speaking time, and comments must be kept brief, non-repetitive, and professional in nature.

CITY COUNCIL:

1. PROCEDURAL WAIVER: Waive reading in full of resolutions and ordinances and approval and adoption of same by reading title only.
2. APPROVE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA MEETING MINUTES

That the City Council approve the City Council of the City of La Habra Minutes of May 4, 2026.

3. APPROVE DENIAL OF LIABILITY CLAIM OF PATRICK PUENTE

That the City Council deny the claim of Patrick Puente in order to set a definite six-month Statute of Limitations date.

4. APPROVE AND ACCEPT OFFSITE GRADING AGREEMENT FOR 920 WEST LA HABRA BOULEVARD

That the City Council:

A. APPROVE AND ADOPT **RESOLUTION NO. CC 2026-** ENTITLED: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AND DIRECTING EXECUTION OF AN ACCESS LICENSE AND TEMPORARY OFF-SITE GRADING AGREEMENT (Our Lady of Guadalupe Church);

B. Authorize the City Manager to execute the access license and temporary off-site grading agreement; and,

C. Approve and Authorize recordation of the offsite grading agreement with the Orange County Clerk-Recorder.

5. APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A VEHICLE FOR THE CITY OF LA HABRA CHILD DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

That the City Council:

A. Approve the purchase of a 2026 Ford Explorer for the Child Development Division's grant-funded General Child Care (CCTR) program;

B. Approve a total of \$38,766 from the California Department of Social Services General Childcare Grant (CCTR) to fully fund the purchase of this vehicle; and,

C. Authorize staff to issue a purchase order to Ken Grody Ford in an amount not to exceed \$38,766.

6. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO AGREEMENTS FOR ON-CALL GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING AND MATERIAL TESTING SERVICES FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027

That the City Council:

A. Waive formal bidding requirements per the La Habra Municipal Code, Chapter 4.2.080 (B) when a service firm has established such a successful past history of work with the City that it is clearly in the public interest not to negotiate with any other source;

B. Approve and authorize the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 1 to the existing Agreements with (1) Twining, Inc., (2) MTGL, Inc., and (3) Ninyo & Moore Geotechnical and Environmental Sciences Consultants, Inc. for On-Call Geotechnical Engineering and Testing Services for Public Works Projects to extend term of the Agreements through June 30, 2027; and,

C. Authorize Staff to issue Purchase Orders to (1) Twining, Inc., (2) MTGL, Inc., and (3) Ninyo & Moore Geotechnical and Environmental Sciences Consultants, Inc. for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 for a not-to-exceed amount of \$75,000 per consultant, for a total not to exceed value of \$225,000.

7. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO AGREEMENT FOR ON-CALL ARCHITECTURAL & ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027

That the City Council:

A. Waive formal bidding requirements per the La Habra Municipal Code, Chapter 4.2.080 (B) when a service firm has established such a successful past history of work with the City that it is clearly in the public interest not to negotiate with any other source;

B. Approve and authorize the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 1 to the existing Agreements with SVA Architects, Inc., of Santa Ana, California, for On-Call Architectural & Engineering Design Services to extend term of the Agreement through June 30, 2027;

C. Authorize Staff to issue Purchase Order to SVA Architects, Inc. for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 for a not-to-exceed amount of \$250,000.

8. WARRANTS: APPROVE NOS. 9055 THROUGH 9253 TOTALING \$2,624,817.62

That the City Council approve Nos. 9055 through 9253 totaling \$ 2,624,817.62.

SUCCESSOR AGENCY:

1. APPROVE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA MEETING MINUTES

That the Successor Agency approve the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of La Habra Meeting Minutes of:

- January 20, 2026
- February 2, 2026
- February 17, 2026
- March 2, 2026
- March 16, 2026
- April 6, 2026
- April 20, 2026
- May 4, 2026

CIVIC IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY:

1. APPROVE LA HABRA CIVIC IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES

That the Civic Improvement Authority approve the La Habra Civic Improvement Authority Meeting Minutes of:

- December 1, 2025
- December 15, 2025
- January 5, 2026
- January 20, 2026
- February 2, 2026
- February 17, 2026
- March 2, 2026
- March 16, 2026
- April 6, 2026
- April 20, 2026
- May 4, 2026

HOUSING AUTHORITY:

1. APPROVE CITY OF LA HABRA HOUSING AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES

That the Housing Authority approve the City of La Habra Housing Authority Meeting Minutes of:

- February 2, 2026
- February 17, 2026
- March 2, 2026
- March 16, 2026
- April 6, 2026
- April 20, 2026
- May 4, 2026

UTILITY AUTHORITY:

1. APPROVE CITY OF LA HABRA UTILITY AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES

That the City of La Habra Utility Authority approve the Utility Authority Meeting Minutes of:

- April 20, 2026
- May 4, 2026

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS REMOVED FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION:

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Public comments shall be limited to five (5) minutes per individual, with a total time limit of 60 minutes for all public comments, for each individual Public Hearing item on the agenda, unless otherwise modified by the Mayor or Chair. Comments must be kept brief, non-repetitive, and professional in nature.

CITY COUNCIL:

1. DULY NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE CITY OF LA HABRA'S 2025 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN (UWMP) UPDATE, AND WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN (WSCP) UPDATE

That the City Council:

A. Conduct a public hearing, as required by State law, to solicit input on the City of La Habra's 2025 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) Update, and Water Shortage Contingency Plan (WSCP) Update;

B. APPROVE AND ADOPT **RESOLUTION NO. CC 2026-__** ENTITLED: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE 2025 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE CITY OF LA HABRA;

C. APPROVE AND ADOPT **RESOLUTION NO. CC 2026-__** ENTITLED: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE 2025 WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN FOR THE CITY OF LA HABRA; and,

D. Direct staff to file the UWMP/WSCP Updates with the California Department of Water Resources in accordance with the Urban Water Management Planning Act of 1983.

CONSIDERATION ITEMS:

Any member of the audience may request to address the La Habra City Council on any Consideration Item, prior to the La Habra City Council taking a final vote on the item. Public comment shall be limited to three (3) minutes per individual, with a total time limit of 30 minutes per Consideration Item, unless otherwise modified by the Mayor or Chair. Speaking time may not be granted and/or loaned to another individual for purposes of extending available speaking time, and comments must be kept brief, non-repetitive, and professional in nature.

CITY COUNCIL:

1. CONSIDER AND APPROVE A NEW LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF ORANGE FOR THE CITY-OWNED LA HABRA BRANCH LIBRARY BUILDING

That the City Council approve and authorize the City Manager to execute a new long-term lease agreement between the City of La Habra and the County of Orange for the County's continued library operation at the City-owned La Habra Branch Library building located at 221 East La Habra Boulevard.

CITY COUNCIL & UTILITY AUTHORITY:

1. FINANCIAL REPORT ON UTILITY AUTHORITY WATER AND SEWER FUND REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND RATES, AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC PROTEST HEARING REGARDING PROPOSED SEWER RATE ADJUSTMENTS

That the City Council and Utility Authority:

A. Receive and file reports from Raftelis Financial Consultants, Incorporated regarding Utility Authority revenue requirements and recommended changes to sewer rates;

B. Schedule a public hearing on proposed sewer rate adjustments for Monday, July 20, 2026; and,

C. Direct staff to prepare and mail hearing notices to sewer customer-of-record.

MAYOR'S COMMUNITY CALENDAR:

COMMENTS FROM STAFF:

COMMENTS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS:

ADJOURNMENT: Adjourned to Monday, June 1, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Closed Session Room 112C, 100 East La Habra Boulevard, followed by the Regular Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber.

Except as otherwise provided by law, no action shall be taken on any item not appearing in the foregoing agenda. A copy of the full agenda packet is available for public review at the Office of the City Clerk during regular business hours, and on the City's webpage at <http://www.lahabraca.gov>.

Materials related to an item on this Agenda submitted to the City Council/Authority/Agency after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection in the City Clerk's Office at 110 East La Habra Boulevard, La Habra, during normal business hours.

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DECLARATION: This agenda was posted on the bulletin boards outside the south entrance of City Hall and the Council Chamber, where completely accessible to the public, at least 72 hours in advance of the City Council Meeting.

Rhonda J. Barone, CMC
City Clerk/Secretary