



CITY of ESCONDIDO

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR SESSION

5:00 PM Regular Session

MOMENT OF REFLECTION

City Council agendas allow an opportunity for a moment of silence and reflection at the beginning of the evening meeting. The City does not participate in the selection of speakers for this portion of the agenda, and does not endorse or sanction any remarks made by individuals during this time. If you wish to be recognized during this portion of the agenda, please notify the City Clerk in advance.

FLAG SALUTE

The City Council conducts the Pledge of Allegiance at the beginning of every City Council meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call: Fitzgerald, C. Garcia, J. Garcia, Martinez, White

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Chisty Knight – Requested that the City Council pursue a State of California Grant to build an Aquatic Center at Grape Day Park in Escondido.

Leila Sackfield – Requested that the City Council place an item on the Future Agenda to determine a process for gathering public input on budgetary items.

Alisa Nicholson Rice – Expressed concern regarding speeding on Lincoln Ave

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: White; Second: C. Garcia; Approved: 5-0

1. **AFFIDAVITS OF PUBLICATION, MAILING, AND POSTING (COUNCIL/RRB)**

2. **APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER**

Request the City Council approve the City Council and Housing Successor Agency warrants issued between May 11, 2026 to May 24, 2026.



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Staff Recommendation: Approval (Finance Department: Christina Holmes, Director of Finance)

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular meetings of May 13, 2026 and May 20, 2026

4. WAIVER OF READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

5. NOVEMBER 3, 2026 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Request the City Council Adopt Resolutions calling for and holding a General Municipal Election and requesting consolidation with the November 3, 2026, Statewide General Election. Adopt Resolution No. 2026-96, calling for and giving notice of a General Municipal Election on November 3, 2026 for the following elective offices:

One (1) City Council Member with a four-year term to represent District One

One (1) City Council Member with a four-year term to represent District Two

One (1) Mayor with a four-year term to be elected at-large

Adopt Resolution No. 2026-97 requesting the Board of Supervisors, County of San Diego, to consolidate the City's General Municipal Election with the Statewide General Election. (File Number 0650-10)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (City Clerk's Office: Zack Beck, City Clerk)

Presenter: Zack Beck, City Clerk

a) Resolution No. 2026-96

b) Resolution No. 2026-97

6. SECOND AMENDMENT TO PUBLIC SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH UNIFIRST CORPORATION TO PROVIDE UNIFORM RENTAL AND LAUNDRY SERVICES

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2026-70, authorizing the Mayor to execute the Second Amendment to the Public Services Agreement ("PSA") with UniFirst Corporation for uniform rental and laundry services. (File Number 0600-10; A-3351-2)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Finance Department: Christina Holmes, Director of Finance)

Presenter: Christina Holmes, Director of Finance

a) Resolution No. 2026-70

Gregg Oliver – Requested clarification from City staff on this item.



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7. PUBLIC SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH HAWTHORNE POWER SYSTEMS FOR THE MODERNIZATION OF THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT'S EMERGENCY POWER SUPPLY SYSTEM

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2026-72, authorizing the Mayor to execute a Public Services Agreement with Hawthorne Systems in the amount of \$736,764.43 for the design, installation, testing, and commissioning of modernization improvements to the Water Treatment Plant's Emergency Power Supply System ("Project"). (File Number 0600-10; A-3593)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Utilities Department: Daniel Peterson, Director of Utilities)

Presenter: Reed Harlan, Assistant Director of Utilities, Water

a) Resolution No. 2026-72

8. FISCAL YEAR 2025 OPERATION STONEGARDEN GRANT AND BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2026-88 to (1) accept Fiscal Year 2025 Operation Stonegarden Grant Funds in the amount of \$10,000 from the California Office of Emergency services through the County of San Diego, and (2) authorize the Chief of Police or his designee to execute grant documents on behalf of the City and approve budget adjustments needed to spend grant funds. (File Number 0480-70)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Police Department: Ken Plunkett, Chief of Police)

Presenter: Ken Plunkett, Chief of Police

a) Resolution No. 2026-88

Gregg Oliver – Requested clarification from City staff on this item.

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES (COUNCIL/RRB)

The following Resolutions and Ordinances were heard and acted upon by the City Council/RRB at a previous City Council/Mobilehome Rent Review meeting. (The title of Ordinances listed on the Consent Calendar are deemed to have been read and further reading waived.)

9. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING ESCONDIDO MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 17, ARTICLE 4, DIVISION 2 TO REGULATE FIREWORKS

Approved on May 13, 2026 with a vote 5/0.

a) Ordinance No. 2026-06 (Second Reading and Adoption)



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Gregg Oliver – Thanked the Council for passing this item.

10. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 17 OF THE ESCONDIDO MUNICIPAL CODE TO REGULATE ENCAMPMENTS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY

Approved on May 13, 2026 with a vote of 5/0.

a) Ordinance No. 2026-08 (Second Reading and Adoption)

Gregg Oliver – Expressed concern regarding this item.

11. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING AND ADDING TO THE ESCONDIDO MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 31, ARTICLE 5, SECTIONS 31-232 WATER SHORTAGE

Approved on May 13, 2026 with a vote of 5/0.

a) Ordinance No. 2026-10 (Second Reading and Adoption)

PUBLIC HEARINGS

12. SHORT-FORM RENT INCREASE APPLICATION FOR CASA GRANDE MOBILE ESTATES

Request the City Council, serving in its role as the City of Escondido Mobilehome Rent Review Board hold a rent review board hearing to: (1) review and consider Casa Grande Mobile Estates Short-Form Application; and (2) adopt the Rent Review Board Resolution No. RRB 2026-78. (File Number 0697-20-10357)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Development Services Department: Kevin Snyder, Development Services Director)

Presenters: Carlos Cervantes, Management Analyst; Stephen Jacobson, Code Compliance Officer II

a) Resolution No. RRB 2026-78

Leah Hoffman – Expressed support for this item.

Pat Robinson – Expressed opposition to this item.

Motion: White; Second: C. Garcia; Approved: 5-0



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13. FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT FUNDING FOR THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

Request the City Council conduct a Public Hearing to solicit and consider citizen input on the Fiscal Year (“FY”) 2026-2027 Department Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) Annual Action Plan for the use of the Home investment Partnership (“HOME”) funds; and adopt Resolution No. 2026-98 approving Fiscal Year 2026-2027 HUD Annual Action Plan for use of HOME Funds, conditionally commit funds to projects, and authorize the Director of Development Services to execute contracts as appropriate. (File Number 0870-11)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Development Services Department: Kevin Snyder, Director of Development Services)

Presenter: Danielle Lopez, Housing and Neighborhood Services Manager and Norma Olquin, Management Analyst

a) Resolution No. 2026-98

Motion: White; Second: J. Garcia; Approved: 5-0

CURRENT BUSINESS

14. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE RINKS FOUNDATION TO EXPLORE FEASIBILITY OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF A COMMUNITY ICE SPORTS FACILITY AT KIT CARSON PARK

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2026-87 approving an MOU with The Rinks Foundation to explore the feasibility of The Rinks Foundation constructing and operating, via a long-term lease, a three-sheet community ice facility in Kit Carson Park (“Project”). (File Number 0910-10)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (City Manager’s Office: Sean McGlynn, City Manager)

Presenter: Joanna Axelrod, Deputy City Manager

a) Resolution No. 2026-87

Jessie Chen (Member of Team USA Skating) - Expressed support for this item.

Penny Cordero – Expressed support for this item.

Jessie Chen – Expressed support for this item.

Kristina Miller – Expressed opposition to this item.



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Dr. Cornelius Los – Expressed support for this item.

Ruth Weber – Expressed opposition to the item.

Lisa Richards – Expressed opposition to the item.

Courtney Walker – Expressed support for this item.

Evan Dewinh– Expressed support for this item.

Christine Poletto– Expressed support for this item.

Christina Chaiban– Expressed support for this item.

Erik Bruvold – Expressed support for this item.

Karla Middleton – Expressed support for this item.

Scott Cook – Expressed support for this item.

Sahmaro Rockhold – Expressed support for this item.

Heather Deacon – Expressed support for this item.

Kira Shian – Expressed support for this item.

Yuri Ovchinnikon – Expressed support for this item.

Brian Munson – Expressed support for this item.

James Kocker – Expressed support for this item.

John Weber – Expressed support for this item.

Motion: White; Second: Fitzgerlad; Approved: 5-0

15. BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Mayor White respectfully requests that the City Council ratify his appointments to the Public Art Commission as follows: (File Number 0120-10)

- Nathalie Martinez (Full Term)
- Mimi Ovanessoff (Full Term)



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- Jacqueline Kelleher (Term Extension until December 31, 2026)
- Patricia Spann (Term Extension until December 31, 2026)
- John Pappas III (Term Begins January 1, 2027)
- Marcus Wanner (Term Begins January 1, 2027)

Mayor White respectfully requests that the City Council ratify his appointments to Transportation and Community Safety Commission as follows:

- Rachel “Beth” Kassebaum (Full Term)
- David Cazares (Full Term)
- Michelle Peters (Full Term)

Staff Recommendation: None (City Clerk’s Office: Zack Beck, City Clerk)

Jacqueline Kelleher – Requested re-appointment to a full term.

Terri Ryan – Expressed appreciation for Commissioner Jacqueline Kelleher and Commissioner Patricia Spann

Presenter: Mayor Dane White

Motion by Mayor White to appoint the following members to the Transportation and Community Safety Commission:

- Rachel “Beth” Kassebaum (Full Term)
- David Cazares (Full Term)
- Michelle Peters (Full Term)

Second: Martinez; Approved: 5-0

Motion by Mayor White to appoint the following members to the Public Art Commission:

- Nathalie Martinez (Full Term)
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Second: Fitzgerald; Approved: 4-1 (Martinez – No)

FUTURE AGENDA

16. FUTURE AGENDA

The purpose of this item is to identify issues presently known to staff or which members of the City Council wish to place on an upcoming City Council agenda. Council comment on these future agenda items is limited by California Government Code Section 54954.2 to clarifying questions, brief announcements, or requests for factual information in connection with an item when it is discussed.

Staff Recommendation: None (City Clerk's Office: Zack Beck)

COUNCILMEMBERS SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND OTHER REPORTS

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

The most current information from the City Manager regarding Economic Development, Capital Improvement Projects, Public Safety, and Community Development.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor White adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

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Dane White
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DocuSigned by:
Zack Beck
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