



CITY of ESCONDIDO

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2025

4:00 PM - Closed Session (Parkview Conference Room)

5:00 PM - Regular Session

Escondido City Hall - Mitchell Room, 201 North Broadway, Escondido, CA 92025

WELCOME TO YOUR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

We welcome your interest and involvement in the legislative process of Escondido. This agenda includes information about topics coming before the City Council and the action recommended by City staff.

MAYOR

Dane White

DEPUTY MAYOR

Consuelo Martinez (District 1)

COUNCILMEMBERS

Joe Garcia (District 2)

Christian Garcia (District 3)

Judy Fitzgerald (District 4)

CITY MANAGER

Sean McGlynn

CITY ATTORNEY

Michael McGuinness

CITY CLERK

Zack Beck

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CLOSED SESSION

4:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

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

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

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CLOSED SESSION

- I. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – PENDING LITIGATION (Government Code sec. 54956.9(d)(1))**
 - a. *Cal. Public, Professional & Medical Employees, Teamsters Local 911 v. City of Escondido*
Public Employment Relations Board Case No. CA-CE-1675-M
- II. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code § 54957.6)**
 - a. Agency Representative: Sean McGlynn, City Manager, or designee Employee Organization: Police Officers' Association Sworn Personnel Bargaining Unit
 - b. Agency Representative: Sean McGlynn, City Manager, or designee Employee Organization: Firefighters Association Safety and Non-Safety Bargaining Unit

ADJOURNMENT



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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.

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CLOSED SESSION REPORT

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CONSENT CALENDAR

Items on the Consent Calendar are not discussed individually and are approved in a single motion. However, Council members always have the option to have an item considered separately, either on their own request or at the request of staff or a member of the public.

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



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2. APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER (COUNCIL)

Request the City Council approve the City Council and Housing Successor Agency warrant numbers:

- 390941 – 391168 & 8 EFT Transactions dated February 05, 2025
- 391169 - 391385 & 34 EFT Transactions dated February 12, 2025

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Finance Department: Christina Holmes)

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None

4. WAIVER OF READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

CURRENT BUSINESS

5. CONSIDERATION OF ENTERING A FRIENDSHIP CITY RELATIONSHIP WITH MUNICIPIO DE SAN JACINTO AMILPAS, OAXACA, MEXICO, MUNICIPIO DE ZIMALTAN DE ÁLVAREZ, OAXACA, MEXICO AND ALCADIA DE ALVARO OBREGON, CIUDAD DE MEXICO AND ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES REQUIRED TO ESTABLISH THE PARTNERSHIP

Request the City Council consider and authorize the Mayor to execute a Friendship City Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Municipio De San Jacinto Amilpas, Oaxaca, Mexico and Municipio De Zimaltan De Álvarez, Oaxaca, Mexico, and Alcaldia de Alvaro Obregon, Ciudad de Mexico and allocate the resources required to establish the partnership.

Staff Recommendation: Approval (City Council: Mayor Dane White, Councilmember Joe Garcia)

Presenters: Mayor Dane White and Councilmember Joe Garcia

FUTURE AGENDA

6. 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.



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ADJOURNMENT

UPCOMING MEETING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, March 05, 2025	3:30 PM	Special Meeting, <i>Mitchell Room</i>
Wednesday, March 19, 2025	4:00 & 5:00 PM	Closed Session, Regular Meeting, <i>Council Chambers</i>

SUCCESSOR AGENCY

Members of the Escondido City Council also sit as the Successor Agency to the Community Development Commission, Escondido Joint Powers Financing Authority, and the Mobilehome Rent Review Board.



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STAFF REPORT

February 26, 2025
File Number 0400-40

SUBJECT

APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER (COUNCIL)

DEPARTMENT

Finance

RECOMMENDATION

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391169 - 391385 & 34 EFT Transactions dated February 12, 2025

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Finance Department: Christina Holmes)

ESSENTIAL SERVICE – Internal requirement per Municipal Code Section 10-49

COUNCIL PRIORITY –

FISCAL ANALYSIS

The total amount of the warrants for the following periods are as follows:

January 29, 2025 – February 05, 2025 is \$5,993,770.24

January 17, 2025 – January 23, 2025 is \$4,264,616.54

PREVIOUS ACTION – None

BACKGROUND



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The Escondido Municipal Code Section 10-49 states that warrants or checks may be issued and paid prior to audit by the City Council, provided the warrants or checks are certified and approved by the Director of Finance as conforming to the current budget. These warrants or checks must then be ratified and approved by the City Council at the next regular Council meeting.



Consent Item No. 3

February 26, 2025

APPROVAL
OF
MINUTES



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ITEM NO. 4

SUBJECT

WAIVER OF READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS –

ANALYSIS

The City Council/RRB has adopted a policy that is sufficient to read the title of ordinances at the time of introduction and adoption, and that reading of the full text of ordinances and the full text and title of resolutions may be waived.

Approval of this consent calendar item allows the City Council/RRB to waive the reading of the full text and title of all resolutions agendized in the Consent Calendar, as well as the full text of all ordinances agendized in either the Introduction and Adoption of Ordinances or General Items sections. **This particular consent calendar item requires unanimous approval of the City Council/RRB.**

Upon approval of this item as part of the Consent Calendar, all resolutions included in the motion and second to approve the Consent Calendar shall be approved. Those resolutions removed from the Consent Calendar and considered under separate action may also be approved without the reading of the full text and title of the resolutions.

Also, upon the approval of this item, the Mayor will read the titles of all ordinances included in the Introduction and Adoption of Ordinances section. After reading of the ordinance titles, the City Council/RRB may introduce and/or adopt all the ordinances in one motion and second.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council/RRB approve the waiving of reading of the text of all ordinances and the text and title of all resolutions included in this agenda. Unanimous approval of the City Council/RRB is required.

Respectfully Submitted,

Zack Beck
City Clerk



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February 26, 2025
File Number 0680-20

SUBJECT

CONSIDERATION OF ENTERING A FRIENDSHIP CITY RELATIONSHIP WITH MUNICIPIO DE SAN JACINTO AMILPAS, OAXACA, MEXICO, MUNICIPIO DE ZIMALTAN DE ÁLVAREZ, OAXACA, MEXICO AND ALCALDIA DE ALVARO OBREGON, CIUDAD DE MEXICO AND ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES REQUIRED TO ESTABLISH THE PARTNERSHIP-

DEPARTMENT

City Council

RECOMMENDATION

Request the City Council consider and authorize the Mayor to execute a Friendship City Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) with Municipio De San Jacinto Amilpas, Oaxaca, Mexico and Municipio De Zimaltan De Álvarez, Oaxaca, Mexico, and Alcaldia de Alvaro Obregon, Ciudad de Mexico and allocate the resources required to establish the partnership.

Staff Recommendation: Approval (City Council: Mayor Dane White, Councilmember Joe Garcia)

Presenters: Mayor Dane White and Councilmember Joe Garcia

ESSENTIAL SERVICE – No

COUNCIL PRIORITY – Increase Retention and Attraction of People and Businesses to Escondido

PREVIOUS ACTION

On August 14, 2024, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 2024-126 (Attachment “1”), establishing a Sister/Friendship City Policy for the City of Escondido.

BACKGROUND

The Escondido Sister/Friendship City Policy set the following requirements to establish a formal partnership with another City:

1. There must be area of mutual interest between the City of Escondido and the prospective city in the fields such as, but not limited to culture, arts, music, commerce, education or history.
2. There should be an identifiable, substantial citizen group or an association, which favors the affiliation. Said citizen group or association should intend to pursue a meaningful exchange of



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ideas and programs once the relationship is established. The group must be in a position to finance its own activities, as the City of Escondido cannot give assurance of financial assistance.

3. Similarly, an identified civic or official group must exist within the City of Escondido with clear intent to engage in active mutual exchange of ideas and programs.
4. The international city itself must evidence a desire to enter into a Friendship or Sister Relationship with the City of Escondido.
5. The Friendship City relationship may be considered the first step, although, not required in order to establish a Sister City relationship.
6. Any Councilmember may request consideration of a Friendship or Sister City relationship.
7. A Friendship City relationship may be established by the Mayor's approval or by City Council vote.
8. A Friendship City relationship requires an MOU establishing the link between the cities.
9. In order to establish a Sister City relationship a vote of approval from City Council is required.
10. A Sister City relationship requires an MOU between the City of Escondido and the international city endorsing the link between the cities.
11. A Sister City relationship must be recognized by the Sister Cities International ("SCI"), which would require membership with SCI.
12. After the agreement has been approved, the new Friendship City or Sister City shall maintain active participation with the citizen group, association, civic organization or official group aforementioned.
13. Termination of a Friendship City or a Sister City relationship must be done by City Council vote. Termination should be considered when either city no longer desires to be in a relationship or the relationship has become inactive.

In accordance with sections 7 and 8, the City Council may proceed with establishing a Friendship City relationship with Municipio De San Jacinto Amilpas, Oaxaca, Mexico, Municipio De Zimlitan De Álvarez, Oaxaca, Mexico and Alcadia de Alvaro Obregon, Ciudad de Mexico by approving a Friendship City Memorandum of Understanding with each municipality (Attachments "2", "3" and "4").



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ATTACHMENTS

- a) Attachment "1" - Resolution No. 2024-126
- b) Attachment "2" - Friendship City MOU (Municipio De San Jacinto Amilpas)
- c) Attachment "3" - Friendship City MOU (Municipio De Zimltan De Álvarez)
- d) Attachment "4" – Friendship City MOU (Alcaldia de Alvaro Obregon, Ciudad de Mexico)

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-126

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING A POLICY ON FRIENDSHIP CITIES AND SISTER CITIES

WHEREAS, the Sister City Program was established in 1956 by President Eisenhower for the purpose of helping cities connect and develop a mutual understanding; and

WHEREAS, Sister City relationships are formed between United States cities and international cities with the goal to thrive locally; and

WHEREAS, the Official Sister City relationships are formed by a formal agreement between the governing body of the United States City and the governing body of the International City. Sister City agreements are protocol agreements, not political agreements; and

WHEREAS, a formal Sister City Agreement should be registered with Sister Cities International (SCI), the organization that maintains contact with the U. S. Department of State; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to establish a uniform policy in which the formation of a Friendship City or a Sister City relationship is established between the City of Escondido and another International City; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of establishing a Friendship City or Sister City relationship the following requirements are to be satisfied:

1. There must be area of mutual interest between the City of Escondido and the prospective city in the fields such as, but not limited to culture, arts, music, commerce, education or history.

2. There should be an identifiable, substantial citizen group or an association, which favors the affiliation. Said citizen group or association should intend to pursue a meaningful exchange of ideas and programs once the relationship is established. The group must be in a position to finance its own activities, as the City of Escondido cannot give assurance of financial assistance.
3. An identified civic or official group must exist within the City of Escondido with clear intent to engage in active mutual exchange of ideas and programs.
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13. Termination of a Friendship City or a Sister City relationship must be done by City Council vote. Termination should be considered when either the City no longer desires to be in a relationship or the relationship has become inactive.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Escondido, California, as follows:

1. That the above recitations are true.
2. The City Council finds it to be in the best interest of the City to establish a policy as Friendship and Sister Cities consistent with findings in this Resolution.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Escondido at a regular meeting thereof the 14th day of AUGUST, 2024 by the following vote to wit:

AYE : Councilmembers: GARCIA, GARCIA, MARTINEZ, MORASCO, WHITE

NOES : Councilmembers: NONE

ABSENT : Councilmembers: NONE

APPROVED:

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Dane White
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DANE WHITE, Mayor of the
City of Escondido, California

ATTEST:

DocuSigned by:
Zack Beck
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ZACK BECK, City Clerk of the
City of Escondido, California

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-126

Friendship City Memorandum of Understanding

This *Friendship City Memorandum of Understanding* ("Agreement") is entered into by and between the City of Escondido, California, United States of America ("Escondido"), and the Municipio de San Jacinto Amilpas, Oaxaca, Mexico ("San Jacinto Amilpas"), collectively referred to as the "Cities," with the purpose of promoting friendly relations, cultural exchange, and mutual cooperation for the benefit of their communities.

WHEREAS, the City of Escondido, located in the County of San Diego, California, and the Municipio de San Jacinto Amilpas, located in the State of Oaxaca, Mexico, share an interest in fostering international goodwill and cultural understanding; and

WHEREAS, the Cities recognize the value of engaging in cross-cultural exchanges and initiatives that benefit their residents and enhance social, economic, and educational development; and

WHEREAS, both Cities desire to cooperate in various areas, including but not limited to, education, cultural arts, economic development, tourism, and the sharing of best practices in governance and public services.

NOW, THEREFORE, in recognition of the mutual goals of friendship, cooperation, and progress, the Cities agree as follows:

1. Promotion of Cultural Exchange:

- The Cities will endeavor to promote cultural exchanges between their residents, including educational and artistic events, community-based cultural activities, as well as provide opportunities for the sharing of traditions, languages, music, dance, festivals, and cuisine to enrich their communities.

2. Economic and Tourism Development:

- The Cities will exchange information and best practices in local economic development, tourism, trade, and business.

3. Mutual Assistance in Local Governance:

- The Cities agree to exchange knowledge and share expertise in local governance, urban planning, public services, and municipal best practices.

4. Communication and Reporting:

- The Cities will establish regular reporting mechanisms to track the progress of collaborative efforts and ensure the successful implementation of this Agreement.

5. Term and Review:

- This Agreement shall remain in effect indefinitely, subject to periodic review. Either City may propose amendments to the Agreement based on evolving needs or goals or terminate this agreement with or without cause.
- A review of the Agreement will take place every two years, or as agreed upon by both Cities, to assess progress and make any necessary revisions.

6. Non-binding Nature:

- This Agreement is a statement of intent to promote friendly relations between the Cities. It does not create any legal obligations, but serves as a framework for mutual collaboration. This agreement is not intended to, and shall not, create any right in any third parties.

7. Ratification and Commencement:

- This Agreement shall take effect upon its formal ratification by the governing bodies of both the City of Escondido and the Municipio de San Jacinto Amilpas.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the duly authorized representatives of the City of Escondido, California, and the Municipio de San Jacinto Amilpas, Oaxaca, Mexico, have executed this *Friendship City Agreement* as of the 26th of February, 2025.

City of Escondido, California

Signature:

Dane White, Mayor

Date:

Municipio de San Jacinto Amilpas, Oaxaca, Mexico

Signature:

Fidel Alejandro Díaz, Presidente Municipal

Date:

Friendship City Memorandum of Understanding

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WHEREAS, the City of Escondido, located in the County of San Diego, California, and Municipio De Zimlantan De Álvarez, located in the State of Oaxaca, Mexico, share an interest in fostering international goodwill and cultural understanding; and

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City of Escondido, California

Signature:

Dane White, Mayor

Date:

Municipio De Zimaltan De Álvarez, Oaxaca, Mexico

Signature:

Javier César Barroso Sánchez, Presidente Municipal

Date:

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City of Escondido, California

Signature:

Dane White, Mayor

Date:

Alcaldia de Alvaro Obregon, Ciudad de Mexico

Signature:

Javier Joaquín López Casarín, Presidente Municipal

Date:

KEY-

CONSENT CALENDAR CURRENT BUSINESS
PUBLIC HEARING WORKSHOP PROCLAMATION

Item 6.



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FUTURE AGENDA

3/5/2025 - COUNCIL VISION WORKSHOP

WORKSHOP - The City Council will hold a facilitated workshop to establish key priorities for the future of Escondido, focusing on ensuring the continued delivery of essential services. The conversation will initiate the discussion on how the new revenue generated by the passage of Measure I can be strategically allocated to support the City's most critical needs. Council members will explore essential services, community priorities, organizational

3/12/2025 - NO MEETING (NLC CONFERENCE)