



## LA MESA CITY COUNCIL

### A Regular Meeting of the City Council

**Date:** Tuesday, April 14, 2026, 6:00 p.m.  
**Location:** City Council Chambers, 8130 Allison Avenue  
La Mesa, California

**Elected Officials:** Mayor Mark Arapostathis  
Vice Mayor Lauren Cazares  
Councilmember Patricia N. Dillard  
Councilmember Laura Lothian  
Councilmember Genevieve Suzuki  
City Treasurer Matthew Strabone

**Staff:** City Manager Greg Humora  
City Attorney Glenn Sabine  
City Clerk Megan Wiegelman

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

1.1 **INVOCATION - VICE MAYOR CAZARES**

1.2 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

2. **CITY MANAGER COMMENTS**

3. **COMMUNITY BULLETIN REPORTS**

4. **ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA**

5. **PRESENTATIONS**

5.1 **CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION FOR MS. SENIOR CALIFORNIA 2026, MAGGIE ESPINOSA**

5.2 **PROCLAIMING APRIL 18, 2026 AS ARBOR DAY**

5.3 **PROCLAIMING APRIL AS ART, CULTURE, & CREATIVITY MONTH**

5.4 **PROCLAIMING APRIL AS VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION MONTH AND APRIL 21, 2026 AS VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DAY**

6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS – (TOTAL TIME – 15 MINUTES)**

NOTE: In accordance with state law, an item not scheduled on the agenda may be brought forward by the general public for comment; however, the City Council will not be able to discuss or take any action on the item at this meeting. If appropriate, the item will be referred to Staff or placed on a future agenda.

7. **CONFLICT DISCLOSURES**

8. **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

This is the time in which members of the Council or audience may pull items from the CONSENT CALENDAR for discussion. Public Comments are also invited on Consent Calendar items.

## 9. CONSENT CALENDAR

(Items 9.1 through 9.11)

The Consent Calendar includes items considered to be routine. Unless discussion is requested by members of the Council or audience, all Consent Calendar items may be approved by one motion.

\*If a public hearing item is part of the Consent Calendar, the public hearing shall be deemed held if the item is not removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and possible action (Item 9.4).

### **Recommended Motion:**

Approve Consent Calendar Items 9.1 through 9.11.

#### **9.1 APPROVAL OF MOTION TO WAIVE THE READING OF THE TEXT OF ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS AT THIS MEETING**

##### **Recommended Motion:**

Approve.

#### **9.2 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2026**

##### **Recommended Motion:**

Approve.

#### **9.3 RESOLUTION DIRECTING REVIEW OF THE CITY OF LA MESA CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE**

Staff Reference: Ms. Wiegelman

##### **Recommended Motion:**

Adopt Resolution.

#### **9.4 \*QUIMBY ACT PARKLAND DEDICATION IN-LIU FEE AND PARK ACQUISITION AND IMPROVEMENT IMPACT FEE**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINDINGS FOR THE QUIMBY ACT PARKLAND DEDICATION IN-LIEU FEE AND PARK ACQUISITION AND IMPROVEMENT IMPACT FEE AS REQUIRED BY CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 66000 ET SEQ. AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR PROJECTS AS OUTLINED IN THE PARKS MASTER PLAN**

Staff Reference: Mr. Dedmon

##### **Recommended Motion:**

Adopt Resolution.

**9.5 RATIFICATION OF DESIGN REVIEW BOARD'S APPROVAL OF PROJECT 2025-1903 (WARM HEARTH INC.)**

**RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD'S APPROVAL OF PROJECT 2025-1903 (WARM HEARTH INC.) – A FACADE REMODEL AT 8740-8748 LA MESA BOULEVARD (APNs 494-213-13-00, 494-213-14-00 AND 494-213-15-00) IN THE C-D-MU (GENERAL COMMERCIAL/URBAN DESIGN OVERLAY/MIXED USE OVERLAY) ZONE**

Staff Reference: Ms. Santos

**Recommended Motion:**

Adopt Resolution.

**9.6 RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH ROGERS, ANDERSON, MALODY AND SCOTT, LLP FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 AUDIT SERVICES**

Staff Reference: Ms. Esenwein

**Recommended Motion:**

Adopt Resolution.

**9.7 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF A COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING REQUEST THROUGH CONGRESSWOMAN SARA JACOBS' OFFICE FOR THE LA MESA DRONE AS FIRST RESPONDER PROJECT AND, IF AWARDED, AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE AND APPROPRIATION OF THE FUNDS**

Staff Reference: Chief Sweeney

**Recommended Motion:**

Adopt Resolution.

**9.8 APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE BOARD OF STATE AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROPOSITION 64 PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY GRANT PROGRAM, COHORT 4, AND IF AWARDED, AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE AND APPROPRIATION OF THE FUNDS FOR THE PROJECT**

Staff Reference: Chief Sweeney

**Recommended Motion:**

Adopt Resolution.

- 9.9 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID 26-06, JOHNSON DRIVE DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, AWARDING A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO MJC CONSTRUCTION, AND AUTHORIZING A BUDGET TRANSFER AND APPROPRIATION OF TRANSNET FUNDS TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 8503

Staff Reference: Mr. Throne

**Recommended Motion:**

Adopt Resolution.

- 9.10 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 WITH HAZARD CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING, INC. FOR BID 25-17, 2025 PAVING PROJECT, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT 8304

Staff Reference: Mr. Throne

**Recommended Motion:**

Adopt Resolution.

- 9.11 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID 26-04 AND AWARDING A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE 2026 SIDEWALK INFILL PROJECT TO MIRAMAR GENERAL ENGINEERING, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 8323

Staff Reference: Mr. Throne

**Recommended Motion:**

Adopt Resolution.

10. ORDINANCES: FIRST READING

10.1 ELECTRIC BICYCLE SAFETY PILOT PROGRAM ORDINANCE

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA MESA ADDING CHAPTER 12.38 TO THE LA MESA MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH THE LA MESA ELECTRIC BICYCLE SAFETY PILOT PROGRAM PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA VEHICLE CODE SECTIONS 21214.7, 312.5, AND 22651.08

Staff Reference: Ms. Lee

**Recommended Motion:**

Approve the introduction and first reading of the Ordinance.

11. COUNCIL INITIATED

- 11.1 CONSIDERATION OF ALLOCATING \$20,000 TO UPDATE THE 2022 PARK DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE STUDY TO EVALUATE POTENTIAL INCREASES TO THE QUIMBY ACT PARKLAND DEDICATION IN-LIEU FEE AND PARK ACQUISITION AND IMPROVEMENT FEE - MAYOR ARAPOSTATHIS

**11.2 CANNABIS DISPENSARIES SIGNAGE CONTENT**

**CONSIDERATION OF REQUESTING STAFF TO PREPARE A DRAFT ORDINANCE (FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ADOPTION) CLARIFYING THE INTENT AND AUTHORITY FOR CANNABIS DISPENSARIES TO IDENTIFY THEMSELVES AS “DISPENSARIES” IN SIGNAGE CONTENT - VICE MAYOR CAZARES**

**11.3 CONSIDERATION OF ADDING A “BILL WALTON WAY” SIGN TO THE SIGNPOST AT THE INTERSECTION OF LOWELL STREET AND NORMAL AVENUE - COUNCILMEMBER DILLARD**

**12. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS (3 MINUTE LIMIT)**

**13. AB 1234 REPORTS (GC 53232.3(d))**

**14. CITY ATTORNEY REMARKS**

**15. ADJOURNMENT**