

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

25541 Barton Road, Loma Linda, CA 92354

May 27, 2025, 5:30 PM - May 27, 2025, 7:08 PM

Roll Call: *(The following members were in attendance)*

- **Phillip Dupper**, Mayor
- **Ronald Dailey**, Mayor pro tempore
- **Rhodes Rigsby**, Councilmember
- **Ovidiu Popescu**, Councilmember
- **Rhonda Spencer-Hwang**, Councilmember

1. Call to Order

1.A. Call to Order- 5:30 PM

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm. and immediately recessed into closed session.

1.B. Roll Call- 7:01 PM

All Councilmembers present.

Staff present: T. Jarb Thaipejr, City Manager; Diane Robbins, City Attorney; Lynette Arreola, City Clerk; Sonia Fabela, Finance Director; Dan Harker, Fire Chief; Lorena Matarrita, Community Development Director; Andy Ramirez, Assistant City Manager; Andrew Sanchez, Customer Support Technician; and Lt. Kaysie Smith, San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department

1.C. Closed Session - 5:30 pm - Council Board Room- 7:01 PM

The City Council meeting reconvened at 7:01 pm.

City Attorney Robbins announced that the City Council met in closed session on the item listed on the agenda. She stated that direction was provided to staff.

1.D. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance - Councilmember Rigsby- 7:01 PM

The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance were led by Councilmember Rigsby.

1.E. Items to be Added or Deleted- 7:02 PM

No items were added or deleted.

1.F. Oral Reports/Public Participation - Non-Agenda Items (Each Speaker limited to 3 minutes. Pursuant to the Brown Act, no action or discussion can be taken by City Council)- 7:02 PM

No public participation upon invitation by the Mayor.

1.G. Conflict of Interest Disclosure- 7:03 PM

There were no disclosures of conflicts.

2. Scheduled and Related Items

2.A. Public Hearing - Council Bill No. R-2025-06 - A Resolution Establishing the Refuse Rate Collection and Disposal Fees Effective July 1, 2025, and Repealing Resolution No. 3229 [Public Works]- 7:03 PM

Public Hearing was opened at 7:07 PM and closed at 7:07 PM

Associate Engineer Peterson presented the report, stating that the City's refuse collection hauler, CR&R, is requesting its annual rate adjustment for FY 2025–2026. He noted that in September 2024, the City Council approved a five-year rate adjustment schedule, allowing for a maximum annual increase of up to 4% each year. The proposed 2025–2026 rate increase is below the 4% cap for both residential and commercial services. Since the proposed adjustment falls within the approved limit, the Prop 218 mail notification was not required. He also noted that CR&R continues to work with the City to maintain compliance with SB 1383 organic recycling requirements. He concluded by stating that no letters of opposition had been received.

The Public Hearing was opened and closed with no public participation.

Motion by Rhodes Rigsby, seconded Ovidiu Popescu, passing by a vote of 5-0-0-0-0, *to APPROVE and ADOPT Council Bill No. R-2025-06 - RESOLUTION NO 3251 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOMA LINDA, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING MAXIMUM REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL RATES EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025, AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 3229.*

3. Consent Calendar

Motion by Rhodes Rigsby, seconded Rhonda Spencer-Hwang, passing by a vote of 5-0-0-0-0, *to APPROVE the Consent Calendar agenda items as presented.*

3.A. Demands Register dated May 13, 2025 [Finance]- 7:08 PM

Approved the Demands Register dated May 27, 2025, with commercial demands totaling \$1,845,889.35, and Payroll dated May 22, 2025, totaling \$425,181.12.

3.B. Approval of Minutes April 8, 2025 [City Clerk]- 7:08 PM

Approved the minutes of April 8, 2025, as presented.

3.C. Notice of Completion for Pavement Rehabilitation at Beaumont Ave. for \$234,327 - Contractor: LCR Earthwork & Engineering Corp. (CIP 24-124)- 7:08 PM

Accepted the Pavement Rehabilitation at Beaumont Avenue as complete and authorized recordation of the Notice of Completion.

3.D. Approve a Supplemental Appropriation of \$30,000 General Fund - Fund Balance for the After Hours/On Call Animal Control Services for the city through the end of FY 2024-25 [Fire]- 7:08 PM

Approved the supplemental appropriation of \$30,000 from General Fund Balance for the after hours/on-call animal control services for the City through the end of Fiscal Year 2024-25.

3.E. Appropriate \$65,000 from General Fund Reserves for Legal Services to Cover Legal Costs Anticipated for the Remainder of the 2024-25 Fiscal Year [Administration]- 7:08 PM

Approved an appropriation of \$65,000 from General Fund Reserves for legal services for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2024-25.

4. Old Business

No reports.

5. New Business

No reports.

6. Reports

6.A. Reports of Council Members- 7:08 PM

No reports.

6.B. Reports Of Officers- 7:08 PM

No reports.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm.

Minutes approved as submitted on June 10, 2025.