

# MINUTES

Regular meetings of the City Council and the Public Improvement Corporation of the City of Redlands held in the Council Chambers, Civic Center, 35 Cajon Street, on Tuesday, June 16, 2026 at 5:00 P.M.

Present: Mario Saucedo, Mayor  
Paul Barich, Council Member  
Eddie Tejeda, Council Member  
Denise Davis, Council Member

Absent: Marc Shaw, Mayor Pro Tempore

Staff: Charles M. Duggan, Jr., City Manager; Yvette M. Abich Garcia, City Attorney; Jeanne Donaldson, City Clerk; Phillip Doolittle, City Treasurer; Janice McConnell, Assistant City Manager/Interim HR Risk Manager; Carl Baker, Public Information Officer; Danielle Garcia, Interim Assistant City Manager; James Garland, Interim Management Services/Finance Director; Rich Sessler, Fire Chief; Jeremy Floyd, Deputy Police Chief; Tabitha Crocker, Facilities and Community Services Director; Sean Reilly, Development Services Director; Monica Heredia, Municipal Utilities and Engineering Director

## A. Call City Council Meeting to Order

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Mayor Saucedo called the meeting to order and explained that comments could be presented in-person, via Zoom, via cellphone or landline. He offered the public an opportunity to provide comment on any item on the agenda for the closed session.

## B. Public Comment

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Teamster Negotiations - Teamster Eli Salazar requested the Council rely on the Class and Comp study to guide them in negotiations to tackle the compensation gap, that on average, puts the city at 12.5% below surrounding agencies. He added that the Teamsters keep this city running every day.

RPOA Negotiations - RPOA President Jeff Frisch acknowledged the hard decisions the Council have made to address the staffing and infrastructure needs of the police, but several vacancies still remain and a police station is long-overdue. He highlighted the need to establish compensation packages that help to attract and retain employees.

RCSEA Negotiations - Community Services Officer Sylvia Lemus, of RCSEA, urged the Council to recognize the employees that remain committed to serving the City, despite years of long-standing vacancies and staffing shortages. Compensation is below market value and the gap will only continue to grow larger if not resolved.

## C. Recess City Council Meeting to a Closed Session

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### 1. Conference with labor negotiator - Government Code § 54957.6

Agency Negotiators: John Bakhit, Jay Trinnaman, Janice McConnell, Jorge Castillo

Employee Organizations:

Redlands Association of Department Directors

Redlands Association of Management Employees

Redlands Association of Mid-Management Employees

Redlands Association of Safety Management Employees  
Redlands Association of Fire Management Employees  
Redlands Police Officers Association  
Redlands Professional Firefighters Association  
Redlands Civilian Safety Employees  
Teamsters Local 1932 Redlands Chapter

#### **D. Reconvene City Council Meeting at 6:00 p.m.**

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Mayor Saucedo reconvened the meeting at 6:39 P.M.

#### **E. Invocation by Council Member Davis - Pledge of Allegiance**

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#### **F. Closed Session Report**

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City Attorney Garcia announced that no reportable action was taken during the closed session.

#### **G. Presentations**

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##### **1. Presentation of the International Day of Yoga Proclamation, presented to Roop Goyal**

Mayor Saucedo presented the International Day of Yoga Proclamation, presented to Roop Goyal.

##### **2. Recognition of the Redlands Fire Department Paramedic Team's first place finish at the 2026 California Fire EMS Directors (CFED) Conference in Palm Springs**

Fire Chief Sessler recognized Redlands Firefighter/Paramedics Craig Roach and Thomas Rivera, who won first place in the Patient Assessment Paramedic Competition at the 2026 California Fire, EMS and Disaster (CFED) Conference in Palm Springs. The two-day skills challenge evaluated 12 teams from across the state. Also present was longtime Battalion Chief Mitch McKee and Art Andres, representing the CFED.

#### **H. Public Comment - City Council**

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Voices for Change - Bri Schaurien and Austin Eli Percy, of Building a Generation, Voices for Change, are working to raise awareness of the dangers of synthetic drugs. They emphasized the importance of educating students and the need for peer-to-peer counseling, which is often the most effective way to reach young people.

RPOA Negotiations - RPOA President Jeff Frisch reiterated the need to address the compensation gap for officers, and he was concerned that HR's list of strategies for recruitment and retention did not appear to include wages. He added that Measure T revenue should be prioritized in support of public safety departments.

RCSEA - Community Services Officer Sylvia Lemus highlighted the many challenges faced by RCSEA employees due to vacancy rates and under-staffing, and she urged the Council to direct Measure T revenues towards public safety departments.

RAMME - Cemetery Manager Armando Valles stressed the need for the City to value and invest in their employees, and he voiced concerns that the labor negotiations were not addressing the real problems of inflation and the high cost of healthcare.

Mentone Property - Terri Stiles and Patty Nymeyer expressed their worries about the City's recent sale of vacant land in Mentone. As adjacent property owners, they have witnessed on site code violations and have serious environmental concerns regarding the land's future use.

Family Ties - Robin Lehfeldt recounted her family's long history in Redlands.

Redlands Visitor - Nicholas Gunn introduced himself as new to Redlands and an intern with IEHP. Although only here for a short time, he was eager to volunteer and give back to such a beautiful and lively community.

Safe Fireworks - Quinn Shea pushed for the City to authorize the sale and use of 'safe and sane' fireworks, noting the resulting revenue would benefit the residents.

## **I. Consent Calendar**

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### **1. Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of June 2, 2026**

On motion of Council Member Eddie Tejada, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council approved, by roll call vote, the minutes of the regular meeting of June 2, 2026.

**Vote:** 4-0 Passed

### **2. Authorize issuance of a proclamation declaring June 21, 2026 as International Day of Yoga in the City of Redlands - 5:00 PM**

On motion of Council Member Eddie Tejada, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council authorized, by roll call vote, the issuance of a proclamation recognizing June 21, 2026, as International Day of Yoga in the City of Redlands.

**Vote:** 4-0 Passed

### **3. Disclosure of Settlement Agreement and Release of All Claims – Geneva Holzer v. City of Redlands**

On motion of Council Member Eddie Tejada, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council disclosed, by roll call vote, the Settlement Agreement and Release of Claims between the City of Redlands and Geneva Holzer. Under the terms of the agreement, the City agrees to pay Ms. Holzer \$475,000 to settle and dispose of disputes associated with civil action in the San Bernardino Superior Court , Case No. CIVSB2322787.

**Vote:** 4-0 Passed

### **4. Adopt Salary Resolution No. 8799, Establishing a Salary Schedule and Compensation Plan for City Employees and Rescinding Resolution No. 8792**

On motion of Council Member Eddie Tejada, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council adopted, by roll call vote, Resolution No. 8799 establishing a Salary Schedule and Compensation Plan for City Employees and rescinded Resolution No. 8792.

**Vote:** 4-0 Passed

### **5. Approve the Second Amendment to the Agreement with waterTALENT for the provision of temporary staffing to increase the total compensation of the agreement by an amount not to exceed \$125,000**

On motion of Council Member Eddie Tejada, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council approved, by roll call vote, the second amendment to the Agreement with waterTALENT, increasing the total compensation by an amount not to exceed \$125,000.

**Vote:** 4-0 Passed

### **6. Approve the Second Amendment to the Agreement with RRM Design Group to extend the term of the Professional Services agreement to June 30, 2027, to allow for the continued performance of services associated with the development of standard design plans for Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs); and determine that approval of the agreement is exempt from environmental review**

**pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the State's guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act**

On motion of Council Member Eddie Tejeda, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council determined, by roll call vote, that approval of the extension is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the State's guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act; and approved the Second Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with RRM Design Group and extend the agreement term to June 30, 2027, to allow for the continued performance of services associated with the development of standard design plans for Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) .

**Vote:** 4-0 Passed

**7. Approve the First Amendment to the Agreement with the Center for Internet Security, Inc. (CIS) for cybersecurity software and services to extend the term for an additional three years and increase the total compensation by an amount not to exceed \$134,720**

On motion of Council Member Eddie Tejeda, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council approved, by roll call vote, the First Amendment to the Agreement with the Center for Internet Security, Inc. (CIS) for cybersecurity software and services to extend the term for an additional three years and increase the total compensation by an amount not to exceed \$134,720.

**Vote:** 4-0 Passed

**8. Approve the Agreement for Services with the Ecology Center in the amount of \$1,808.00 for the purpose of distributing Market Match nutrition incentives to qualifying members of the public through the Redlands Morning Market; approve an additional appropriation of \$2,432.50 representing the total grant funding from the Ecology Center; and approve in-kind services grant match of \$9,102.17 for administration of the program**

Facilities and Community Services Department Director Crocker briefly reviewed the Agreement for Services with the Ecology Center in the amount of \$1,808.00 for the purpose of distributing Market Match nutrition incentives to qualifying members of the public through the Redlands Morning Market. She noted the effective date is June 16, 2026 and not June 2, 2026, as was incorrectly attached to the staff report.

On motion of Council Member Eddie Tejeda, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council determined, by roll call vote, that approval of the Agreement with Ecology is exempt from environmental review in accordance with California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15301 (Class 1); approved the Agreement for Services with the Ecology Center, as amended with an effective date of June 16, 2026, to participate in their Market Match Program in the amount of \$1,808.00, for distribution of Market Match nutrition incentives to qualifying members of the public through the Redlands Morning Market; approved an additional appropriation of \$2,432.50, and approved a grant match of \$9,102.17 for in-kind services.

**Vote:** 4-0 Passed

**J. Public Hearings**

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**1. Public Hearing to consider Ordinance Text Amendment No. 372 to amend Title 18 (Zoning Regulations) of the Redlands Municipal Code to prohibit new warehouses and logistics distribution facilities, as defined, and allow existing warehouses to remain as permitted or conditionally permitted uses; consideration of a proposed amendment to Chapter 18.156, Article XII (Warehouses and Logistics Distribution Centers) to add new Section 18.156.970 establishing rebuilding provisions for existing warehouses and logistics distribution centers; and consideration of a resolution to amend the commercial and industrial specific plans of the City of Redlands to prohibit new warehouses and logistics distribution facilities, as defined, and allow existing warehouses to remain as permitted or**

**conditionally permitted uses. The proposal qualifies for exemption from environmental review in accordance with Sections 15061(b)(3), 15308, and 15378(b)(5) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines**

Mayor Saucedo declared the meeting open as a public hearing and called on City Planner / Planning Manager Brian Foote for a summary of Ordinance Text Amendment No. 372 to amend Title 18 (Zoning Regulations) of the Redlands Municipal Code to prohibit new warehouses and logistics distribution facilities. The ordinance would allow existing warehouses to remain as permitted or conditionally permitted uses and proposes to amend Chapter 18.156, Article XII (Warehouses and Logistics Distribution Centers) to add new Section 18.156.970 establishing rebuilding provisions for existing warehouses and logistics distribution centers.

Resolution No. 8793 would amend the commercial and industrial specific plans of the City to prohibit new warehouses and logistics distribution facilities, as defined, while allowing for existing warehouses and logistics distribution uses to remain as permitted or conditionally permitted uses subject to new rebuild provisions contained in Redlands municipal code title 18.

On April 14, 2026, the Planning Commission discussed the draft ordinance language and made suggestions for changes and on May 12, the Commission reviewed the revised ordinance language and adopted a resolution recommending that the City Council approve Ordinance Text Amendment No. 372 and the related Specific Plan Amendments.

As public comment, Nicole Torstvet, of Prologis, requested the discussion be continued to allow all Council Member the opportunity to vote, and she raised concerns with the 15% building height restriction, recommending the City use established zoning regulations instead. Bill Blankenship, of NAIOP, representing the logistics industry, also asked to push this item to a future meeting when all five Council Members were present. John Malcolm was in full support of banning warehouses, adding that in his opinion, the overwhelming majority of residents are opposed to warehouses. Quinn Shea said that warehouses disrupt local ecosystems and emit significant amounts of CO<sub>2</sub>, creating major air pollution concerns. Two written comments were received. John James urged the Council to continue the item for 60 days to allow staff to analyze how modern, strategically located logistics infrastructure actually reduce truck miles and lower emissions. Lorraine Enriquez supported a full ban on all new warehouses in the City. With no further comments, Mayor Saucedo closed the public hearing.

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Eddie Tejeda, the City Council agreed, by roll call vote, to continue the public hearing to the September 1, 2026 City Council meeting.

**Vote:** 4-0 Passed

**2. Adopt Resolution Nos. 8772 and 8773 pertaining to the levy of Fiscal Year 2026/27 Assessments for Street Lighting District No. 1 and Landscape Maintenance District No. 1**

Mayor Saucedo declared the meeting open as a public hearing and called on Facilities and Community Services Department Director Crocker for a report on a request to implement assessments for Street Lighting District No. 1 and Landscape Maintenance District No. 1 for Fiscal Year 2026/27. There were no written comments received and, with no further discussion, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council adopted, by roll call vote, Resolution No. 8772 and Resolution No. 8773 approving the Engineer's Reports for Street Lighting District No. 1 and Landscape Maintenance District No. 1, and approved implementing the assessments for Fiscal Year 26/27.

**Vote:** 4-0 Passed

**K. New Business**

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## **1. Consideration of a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Redlands and the Redlands Association of Management Employees**

Assistant City Manager McConnell / Interim HR Risk Manager presented the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Redlands and the Redlands Association of Management Employees. The parties reached an agreement and the attached MOU was prepared for the City Council's consideration. All unit members will receive a four percent (4%) salary increase for the first year of the contract and three percent (3%) salary increases in years two and three. Other changes include adding three additional steps (Steps 5, 6 and 7) at two and one-half percent (2.5%) each to the top of the RAME salary range, increases to bi-lingual pay, vision care reimbursement and medical contributions, and the ability to carry over up to twenty (20) hours of Executive Leave to the following year. Language revisions have also been made within the MOU for the purpose of clean-up and to reduce ambiguity and clarify how a benefit is administered. Ms McConnell thanked the bargaining unit members and the negotiating team for their joint efforts towards finalizing the MOU.

On motion of Council Member Eddie Tejada, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council approved, by roll call vote, the Memorandums of Understanding between the City of Redlands and the Redlands Association of Management Employees.

**Vote:** 4-0 Passed

## **2. Consideration of the Fire Department's continued membership in the CONFIRE Joint Powers Authority for Fiscal Year 2026-27 and authorization to pay the associated annual service fee in an amount not to exceed \$890,632**

Fire Chief Sessler reported on the benefits of the City continuing the Fire Department's membership in the CONFIRE Joint Powers Authority for Fiscal Year 2026–2027. Through this cooperative effort, CONFIRE provides centralized dispatching for fire and emergency medical services, serves as a secondary public safety answering point for 9-1-1 calls, and supports information technology services for member agencies. The governance and operational practices of CONFIRE are directed collectively by the member agencies to ensure mutual benefit and accountability. The continued participation in CONFIRE supports the City's commitment to regional collaboration and high-quality public safety services and the annual service fee amount is not to exceed \$890,632.

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council approved, by roll call vote, the continued participation of the Fire Department in the CONFIRE Joint Powers Authority and authorized the payment of the associated annual service fee in an amount not to exceed \$890,632.

**Vote:** 4-0 Passed

## **3. Consideration of Resolution No. 8796 Authorizing Certificates of Participation and Approving a Ground Lease, a Lease Agreement, a Trust Agreement, a Purchase Agreement, a Continuing Disclosure Certificate, and an Official Statement with Respect to Such Certificates and Authorizing Related Actions in an amount not to exceed \$85,000,000 for Safety Hall, Fire Station Construction, and Library HVAC Improvements Project**

Council Member Davis recused herself due to property ownership located within 500 feet of the location of the future fire station. Interim Assistant City Manager Garcia reviewed Resolution No. 8796, authorizing the execution and delivery of Certificates of Participation evidencing principal in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$85,000,000; approving a Ground Lease, Lease Agreement, Trust Agreement, Purchase Agreement, Continuing Disclosure Certificate, and Official Statement with respect to such Certificates; and authorizing related actions.

The City of Redlands is planning major public safety and facility improvements, including a new police Safety Hall, a fire station, and HVAC upgrades for the Library. To help finance these projects, the City proposes issuing *City of Redlands Certificates of Participation, Series 2026 (Police and Fire Facilities)*.

The certificate proceeds will help fund part of the project, cover capitalized interest, and pay issuance-related costs. The financing uses a lease structure involving the City and the Redlands Public Improvement Corporation, wherein the City leases the Safety Hall property to the Corporation, which leases it back to the City.

The City's lease payments will be used to repay certificate holders, and the Corporation will assign its payment rights to U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as trustee. This is a common California local agency financing method that allows the City to keep operational control while spreading the cost of major capital improvements over time.

As public comment, Dennis Bell voiced frustration that the public was given very little time to review such lengthy and complex documents as provided in the staff report, and he added the City's leadership has long ignored critical infrastructure needs, which he attributes to misdirected priorities.

Ms. Garcia and City Manager Duggan responded to multiple Council Member questions. They clarified that a bond-funded project requires voter approval to raise property taxes for the debt. The Corporation is not independently financing the Project and is not undertaking a separate capital project. Rather, the Corporation's approval allows it to perform its limited role within the financing structure by entering into the lease and assignment documents required for the Certificates to be executed and delivered.

On motion of Council Member Eddie Tejada, seconded by Council Member Paul Barich, the City Council adopted, by roll call vote, Resolution No. 8796, authorizing the execution and delivery of Certificates of Participation evidencing principal in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$85,000,000; approving a Ground Lease, Lease Agreement, Trust Agreement, Purchase Agreement, Continuing Disclosure Certificate, and Official Statement with respect to such Certificates; and authorizing related actions.

**Vote:** 3-0 Passed (Council Member Davis recuse)

#### **4. Consideration of the adoption of the Parks Master Plan, Resolution No. 8726 and determination that adoption of the plan is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines**

Facilities and Community Services Department Director Crocker introduced the City's consultant, Doug Grove, of RHA Landscape Architects-Planners, who detailed the results of the recently completed Parks Master Plan. The Plan provides a strategic framework to guide the renovation, improvement, expansion, and development of parks and recreational facilities throughout the City over the next decade. The City currently maintains approximately 253.4 acres of parkland, encompassing 18 established parks that were analyzed and assessed as part of this planning process.

RHA Landscape conducted a robust public engagement process to ensure that the Master Plan reflects community values and priorities. Over 1,200 community members participated through multiple engagement methods. The community's input helped shape the plan's recommendations and priority investments. A Priority Investment Rating was developed based on survey results and public feedback, highlighting the amenities and facilities the community considers most important. The top high-priority items included: Multi-use hiking, biking, and walking trails; Walking paths in parks; Splash pads; Swimming pools; Restrooms; Small neighborhood parks; and Bicycle and pedestrian access to parks.

As public comment, Rich O'Donnell urged the Council to prioritize basic park maintenance over any new projects, and he listed several pressing maintenance needs at Prospect Park that require immediate attention. Mayor Saucedo requested keeping the Pump Track on the wish list and Director Crocker confirmed it remains a priority when funding becomes available. Council Member Barich recommended the City partner with Redlands Unified School District to allow the public access to a swimming pool. Council Member Davis

pointed out that Brookside Park and Heritage Park are among the facilities in need of renovation and updating. Council Member Tejada suggested staff seek grant funding to accomplish some of the projects.

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Eddie Tejada, the City Council approved, by roll call vote, Resolution No. 8726, adopting the Parks Master Plan and determine that adoption of the Parks Master Plan is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines."

**Vote:** 4-0 Passed

**5. Consideration of a First Amendment to the Non-Professional Services Agreement with SVT Fleet, LLC, increasing the total compensation by \$650,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$2,452,000, and extending the term by one additional year ~~\*\*THIS ITEM WAS REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA BY DIRECTOR CROCKER AND WILL NOT BE HEARD. IT IS NOT SCHEDULED FOR A FUTURE AGENDA AT THIS TIME\*\*~~**

Staff requested this item be removed from tonight's agenda.

**6. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2026-27 Facilities and Community Services Department Annual Agreements and Purchase Orders for a total annual amount not to exceed \$8,587,250.04 and a total not to exceed amount of \$17,477,073.38 and determine that approval is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the State's guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act**

Facilities and Community Services Department Director Crocker highlighted the Fiscal Year 2026-27 Facilities and Community Services Department Annual Agreements and Purchase Orders for a total annual amount not to exceed \$8,587,250.04 and a total not to exceed the amount of \$17,477,073.38. FCS Department routinely procures goods and services necessary to support City operations, including fleet maintenance, facility upkeep, and park services.

On motion of Council Member Paul Barich, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council determined, by roll call vote, that approval of the Fiscal Year 2026-27 Facilities and Community Services Department Agreements and Annual Purchase Orders is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the State's guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act; approved an amendment to an agreement with Redlands Iron Works; and approved the Purchase Orders as set forth in the staff report.

**Vote:** 4-0 Passed

**7. Consideration of a First Amendment to the Non-Professional Services Agreement with BrightView Landscape Services, Inc., for Sports Field Maintenance, increasing the total compensation to an amount not to exceed \$1,202,625; and determine approval of the First Amendment to the Non-Professional Services Agreement is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the State's guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act**

Facilities and Community Services Department Director Crocker explained the need for a First Amendment to the Non-Professional Services Agreement with BrightView Landscape Services, Inc., for Sports Field Maintenance to amend the total compensation of the Agreement. Since execution of the original Agreement in June of 2025, the City has added Coyazo Park to the Scope of Services. As a result, staff requested approval of a First Amendment to increase the total annual compensation of \$1,081,118 under the original agreement by \$121,507 to a new total amount not to exceed \$1,202,625, over a three-year term.

On motion of Council Member Eddie Tejada, seconded by Council Member Paul Barich, the City Council determined, by roll call vote, that approval of the First Amendment to the Non-Professional Services

Agreement with BrightView Landscape Service, Inc. for Sports Field Maintenance, is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061 (b)(3) of the State's guidelines implementing the California Quality Act; and approved the First Amendment to the Non-Professional Services Agreement with BrightView Landscape Service, Inc. to increase the current three-year agreement amount by \$121,507.00, expanding Sports Field Maintenance Services and amend total compensation to a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,202,625.00, over a three-year term.

**Vote:** 4-0 Passed

**8. Consideration of the First Amendment to the Non-Professional Services Agreement with BrightView Landscape Services, Inc. for Citywide Landscape Maintenance Services, increasing the total compensation to an amount not to exceed \$2,466,662; and determine approval of the First Amendment to the Non-Professional Services Agreement is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the State's guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act**

Facilities and Community Services Department Director Crocker introduced a First Amendment to the Non-Professional Services Agreement with BrightView Landscape Services, Inc. for Citywide Landscape Maintenance Services to amend the total compensation of the multi-year Agreement. The City accepted the dedication of Coyazo Park as part of the Bergamot residential development. Coyazo Park was annexed into a Community Facilities District No. 2004-1, which provides a dedicated funding source for ongoing maintenance and operations. To ensure consistent maintenance standards and integration of Coyazo Park into existing operations, staff proposed amending the agreement to include the park within the citywide maintenance program.

On motion of Council Member Eddie Tejada, seconded by Council Member Paul Barich, the City Council determined, by roll call vote, that approval of the First Amendment to the Non-Professional Services Agreement with BrightView Landscape Services, Inc. is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the State's guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act; and approved the First Amendment to the Non-Professional Services Agreement with BrightView Landscape Services, Inc. to increase the current multi-year agreement amount of \$2,332,174.00 by \$134,488.00, expanding Citywide Landscape Maintenance Services and amending total compensation to a not-to-exceed amount of \$2,466,662.00.

**Vote:** 4-0 Passed

**9. Consideration of the City Manager's Proposed Two-Year Budget for Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028 and of Resolution Nos. 8794 and 8804**

City Manager Duggan recapped the proposed balanced two-year budget for Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028, as presented at the June 2 Council meeting. It emphasized continued support for major community priorities such as public safety, the new Safety Hall, Fire Station No. 264 relocation planning, technology modernization, homelessness response, parks and facility improvements, and critical building system replacements.

The budget uses one-time fund balance for key capital and facility investments while maintaining a healthy General Fund balance. It also notes several deferred or unfunded projects because of limited resources, including the Skate Park Pump Track, fencing improvements at Prospect Park, and the Food Security Task Force initiative. Measure T remains an important funding source for public safety, infrastructure, homelessness response, and quality-of-life programs. The enterprise funds also require significant investment in water, wastewater, and solid waste infrastructure. Overall, the city expects stable finances but faces risks from labor negotiations, inflation, vacancy assumptions, higher interest rates, and self-insurance claims. Future budgets may need additional cost control or reprioritization if revenues weaken or expenses increase.

From the June 2 meeting: Council discussed policy priorities and potential future capital needs. Council requested additional information on the timeline for Fire Department related additions. It was noted that additional fire stations and personnel will be prioritized with a full presentation planned for January 2027.

As public comment, John Malcolm stated that Measure T was approved by the voters to generate local funding to primarily address homelessness and enhance public safety, but he emphasized that grants, rather than Measure T revenue, fund most of the current homelessness programs

On motion of Council Member Eddie Tejeda, seconded by Council Member Denise Davis, the City Council adopted, by roll call vote, the City Manager's Proposed Two-Year Budget for Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028; and adopted Resolution No. 8794.

**Vote:** 4-0 Passed

## **L. Individual Council Member Announcements and/or Reports on Activities**

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Mayor Saucedo enjoyed Boards and Badges, hosted by RPOA and attended at least 9 other events over the last two weeks.

Council Member Barich enjoyed Boards and Badges and attended the Library Board meeting.

Council Member Tejeda met with a few residents from District 2 and attended a Council briefing.

Council Member Davis enjoyed Boards and Badges and had a great time at Touch-a-Truck event, hosted by the Rotary Club.

## **M. Adjournment**

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Mayor Saucedo adjourned the meeting at 9:12 P.M. The next regular meeting of the City of Redlands City Council will be held on July 7, 2026.

## **N. Redlands Public Improvement Corporation**

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### **1. Call regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Redlands Public Improvement Corporation**

Chair Saucedo opened the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Redlands Public Improvement Corporation (RPIC) and offered the public an opportunity to address them on any subject within its jurisdiction, which is not already scheduled on the agenda.

### **2. Public Comment - Redlands Public Improvement Corporation**

There were no public comments.

### **3. Approve the regular minutes of the Redlands Public Improvement Corporation of March 17, 2026**

On motion of Board Member Tejeda, seconded by Board Member Barich, the minutes of the regular Redlands Public Improvement Corporation (RPIC) meeting of March 17, 2026 were unanimously approved, by roll call vote.

**Vote:** 4-0 Passed

### **4. Consideration of Resolution No. 2026-02 Authorizing Certificates of Participation and Approving a Ground Lease, a Lease Agreement, an Assignment Agreement, a Trust Agreement and a Purchase Agreement with Respect to such Certificates and Authorizing Related Actions in an amount not to exceed \$85,000,000 for Safety Hall, Fire Station Construction, and Library HVAC Improvements Project**

Board Member Davis recused herself due to property ownership located within 500 feet of the location of the future fire station.

Interim Assistant City Manager Garcia presented Resolution No. 2026-02, approving a Ground Lease, Lease Agreement, Assignment Agreement, Trust Agreement, and Purchase Agreement with respect to the execution and delivery of City of Redlands Certificates of Participation evidencing principal in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$85,000,000, and authorizing related actions.

On motion of Board Member Tejada, seconded by Board Member Barich, the RPIC Board of Directors, by roll call vote, adopted Resolution No. 2026-02, approving a Ground Lease, Lease Agreement, Assignment Agreement, Trust Agreement, and Purchase Agreement with respect to the execution and delivery of City of Redlands Certificates of Participation evidencing principal in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$85,000,000, and authorizing related actions.

**Vote:** 3-0 Passed (Council Member Davis recuse)

## **5. Adjourn Redlands Public Improvement Corporation**

Chair Saucedo adjourned the meeting of the Redlands Public Improvement Corporation at 9:15 P.M.