

Mayor José Medrano  
Mayor Pro Tem James Gomez  
Councilmember Rose Espinoza  
Councilmember Daren Nigsarian  
Councilmember Delwin Lampkin

City Manager Jim Sadro  
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City Clerk Rhonda J. Barone  
Assistant City Clerk Kenia Lopez  
City Attorney Keith F. Collins



**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA**

**ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING 5:30 P.M**

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**REGULAR MEETING 6:30 P.M.**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2026**

COUNCIL CHAMBER  
100 EAST LA HABRA BOULEVARD  
LA HABRA, CALIFORNIA 90631

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The Regular Meeting of the City Council for January 20, 2026, will be at the City of La Habra Council Chamber located at 100 East La Habra Boulevard, La Habra, California. The City Council Chamber will be open to the public at 6:00 p.m. and the meeting will start promptly at 6:30 p.m.

The public is encouraged to participate in the Regular Meeting of the City Council by attending in person or submitting written comments via email to [cc@lahabracaca.gov](mailto:cc@lahabracaca.gov) no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 20, 2026. Written comments sent to the City by 5:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be printed and provided to the City Council prior to the meeting. The meeting can also be viewed live through the City of La Habra website at [www.lahabracaca.gov/356/Archived-Council-Videos](http://www.lahabracaca.gov/356/Archived-Council-Videos) by clicking on "Watch Live" at 6:30 p.m.

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The City of La Habra makes every effort to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) in all respects. Should you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (562) 383-4030 or [cc@lahabracaca.gov](mailto:cc@lahabracaca.gov) prior to the meeting. Every effort will be made to provide reasonable accommodations.

**ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING 5:30 P.M.:** Cancelled.

**REGULAR MEETING 6:30 P.M.:**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Council Chamber

**INVOCATION:** City Attorney Collins

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Medrano

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Medrano  
Mayor Pro Tem Gomez  
Councilmember Espinoza  
Councilmember Nigsarian  
Councilmember Lampkin

**CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT:** None held.

**PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:** None at this time.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** When addressing the La Habra City Council, please complete a Speaker's Card before leaving the Council Chamber.

General Public Comments shall be received at the beginning of the governing body meeting and limited to three (3) minutes per individual, with a total time limit of 30 minutes for all public comments, unless otherwise modified by the Mayor or Chair. Speaking time may not be granted and/or loaned to another individual for purposes of extending available speaking time, and comments must be kept brief, non-repetitive, and professional in nature. The general Public Comment portion of the meeting allows the public to address any item of City business not appearing on the scheduled agenda. Per Government Code Section 54954.3(a), such comments shall not be responded to by the governing body during the meeting.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

Senate Bill 1439 ("SB 1439") amended Government Code Section 84308 to expand the regulation of campaign contributions in excess of \$500 from donors involved in certain matters before the legislative body. If the donor has a matter pending before the agency, and the official received a campaign contribution from the donor in excess of \$500 in the prior 12 months, the official must publicly disclose the contribution and cannot in any way participate in the decision of the matter. The donor also has a duty to disclose the contribution on the record.

In the 12 months following the decision, a local official cannot receive campaign contributions in excess of \$500 from a donor with an economic interest in the governmental decision. Public officials are encouraged to closely track all campaign contributions which collectively exceed \$500 in any 12-month period from any single source.

All matters on Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion unless a Councilmember or City staff member requests separate action or removal of an item. Removed items will be considered following the Consent Calendar portion of this agenda. Public comment shall be limited to three (3) minutes per individual, with a total time limit of 30 minutes per item that has been removed for separate discussion, unless otherwise modified by the Mayor. Speaking time may not be granted and/or loaned to another individual for purposes of extending available speaking time, and comments must be kept brief, non-repetitive, and professional in nature.

1. **PROCEDURAL WAIVER:** Waive reading in full of resolutions and ordinances and approval and adoption of same by reading title only.

2. APPROVE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA MEETING MINUTES

That the City Council approve the City Council of the City of La Habra Minutes of:

- December 15, 2025
- January 5, 2026

3. APPROVE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

That the City Council receive and file the Planning Commission of the City of La Habra meeting minutes for:

- August 11, 2025
- August 25, 2025
- September 8, 2025
- September 22, 2025
- October 13, 2025
- October 27, 2025
- November 10, 2025

4. APPROVE RESOLUTION AND AGREEMENT TO APPOINT ELVIE BALDERRAMA AS INTERIM DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES/RISK MANAGEMENT

That the City Council:

A. APPROVE AND ADOPT **RESOLUTION NO. CC 2026-01** ENTITLED: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA, CALIFORNIA, APPOINTING ELVIE BALDERRAMA AS INTERIM DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES/RISK MANAGEMENT AND APPROVING AN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT; and

B. Authorize the City Manager to execute the employment agreement with Elvie Balderrama.

5. WARRANTS: APPROVE NOS. 7080 THROUGH 7502 TOTALING \$6,377,634.59; AND APPROVE WIRE TRANSFERS DATED 1/12/26 AND 1/26/26 TOTALING \$8,888,635.13

That the City Council approve Nos. 7080 through 7502 totaling \$6,377,634.59; and approve Wire Transfers dated 1/12/26 and 1/26/26, totaling \$8,888,635.13.

**CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS REMOVED FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION:**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None at this time.

**CONSIDERATION ITEMS:**

Any member of the audience may request to address the La Habra City Council on any Consideration Item, prior to the La Habra City Council taking a final vote on the item. Public comment shall be limited to three (3) minutes per individual, with a total time limit of 30 minutes per Consideration Item, unless otherwise modified by the Mayor or Chair. Speaking time may not be granted and/or loaned to another individual for purposes of extending available speaking time, and comments must be kept brief, non-repetitive, and professional in nature.

1. CONSIDER EXPIRING TERMS AND VACANCIES ON THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION, AND PROVIDE DIRECTION TO STAFF

That the City Council:

A. Reappoint eligible and interested Planning Commissioners and/or Community Services Commissioners who have expiring terms; or,

B. Direct staff to advertise vacancies on the Planning Commission and Community Services Commission that will occur due to expiring terms or resignations, and schedule interviews with eligible candidates.

**MAYOR'S COMMUNITY CALENDAR:**

**COMMENTS FROM STAFF:**

**COMMENTS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Adjourned to Monday, February 2, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Closed Session Room 112C, 100 East La Habra Boulevard, followed by the Regular Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber.

Except as otherwise provided by law, no action shall be taken on any item not appearing in the foregoing agenda. A copy of the full agenda packet is available for public review at the Office of the City Clerk during regular business hours, and on the City's webpage at <http://www.lahabraca.gov/>.

Materials related to an item on this Agenda submitted to the City Council/Authority/Agency after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection in the City Clerk's Office at 110 East La Habra Boulevard, La Habra, during normal business hours.

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**DECLARATION:** This agenda was posted on the bulletin boards outside the south entrance of City Hall and the Council Chamber, where completely accessible to the public, at least 72 hours in advance of the City Council Meeting.

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Rhonda J. Barone, CMC  
City Clerk