



**CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES**

**"The Pass of the Oaks"**

**Paso Robles City Council Minutes**

**June 3, 2025, 4:00 PM**

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**Council Chamber - Library/Conference Center**

**1000 Spring Street**

**Paso Robles, CA 93446**

Councilmembers  
Present:

Mayor Hamon, Councilmember Bausch, Councilmember Beal,  
Councilmember Gregory, Councilmember Strong

**A. 4:00 PM CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM.

**B. ROLL CALL**

Councilmember Bausch (absent at roll call; arrived at 4:05 PM), Councilmember Beal,  
Councilmember Gregory, Councilmember Strong, Mayor Hamon

**C. CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

**1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS**

**Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8**

**Property:** 4391 Aerotech Center Way (APN 025-481-012) and 4385 Aerotech  
Center Way (APN 025-481-020), Paso Robles, 93446

**Agency Negotiator:** Warren Frace, Community Development Director

**Negotiating Parties:** Jones Living Trust

**Under negotiation:** Price and Terms

**2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL INITIATION OF LITIGATION**

**Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)**

**Based on existing facts and circumstances:** Two (2) potential cases

**3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**

**Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)**

**Name of Case:** John Borst v. City of El Paso De Robles, a California general law

city; and Does 1 through 10  
**Case Number:** 23CVP-0156

**4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**

**Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)**

**Name of Case:** John Borst v. City of El Paso De Robles, a California general law city

**Case Number:** 25CVP-0159

**5. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**

**Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)**

**Name of Case:** The Tribune v. City of Paso Robles, Chris Bausch

**Case Number:** 25CVP-0080

**D. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CLOSED SESSION MATTERS**

None

**E. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

4:03 PM

**F. 6:00 PM RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

**G. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**H. INVOCATION**

Reverend Sarah-Kate Duran, The Revival Center

**I. ROLL CALL**

Councilmember Bausch, Councilmember Beal, Councilmember Gregory, Councilmember Strong, Mayor Hamon

**J. STAFF INTRODUCTIONS**

**K. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

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**City Attorney Elizabeth Hull reported that Council, in a unanimous 5-0 vote, directed the City Attorney's office to begin nuisance proceedings related to the apartment complex located at 2548 Spring Street.**

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**L. PRESENTATIONS**

**1. "Acorn Angel" Artwork Dedication**

Dale Evers of Dale Evers Design Studio dedicated his artwork piece, *Acorn Angel*, which is a key part of the design of the arch he created to honor Norma's Alley in downtown Paso Robles in 2022. The piece holds both artistic and symbolic significance. Mr. Evers engraved the piece with his signature and provided the City with a certificate of authenticity for the piece.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Dale Gustin

**2. Hunger Awareness Day Proclamation**

Mayor Hamon read a proclamation recognizing June 6, 2025 as Hunger Awareness Day in San Luis Obispo County. SLO Food Bank Development Director Katie Osman received the proclamation.

**3. Amateur Radio Week Proclamation**

Mayor Hamon read a proclamation June 22 - 29, 2025 as Amateur Radio Week in the City of Paso Robles. Scott Currie, Amateur Radio Emergency Service District Emergency Coordinator for San Luis Obispo County, received the proclamation.

**4. Capital Projects Report**

Capital Projects Engineer Ditas Esperanza and Public Works Director Freda Berman gave an overview of recently completed, in progress, and upcoming projects throughout the city.

**M. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Gina Grieb, Mark Elterman, Linda George, Dale Gustin, and Murray Powell.  
Murray Powell shared a document with his public comment which has been added to the agenda.

**N. AGENDA ITEMS TO BE DEFERRED**

None

**O. OVERVIEW OF ITEMS ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

City Manager Chris Huot provided a brief overview of the items on the consent calendar.

**P. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Dale Gustin

Item 11 was pulled by Dale Gustin

Motioned by Councilmember Gregory, seconded by Councilmember Strong, and passed unanimously to approve items 1-10 of the Consent Calendar.

**AYES:** Gregory, Strong, Bausch, Beal, Hamon

**Roll Call Vote Passed Unanimously**

1. **Approval of May 20, 2025 City Council Meeting Minutes**
2. **Approval of May 21, 2025 City Council Special Meeting Minutes - AB Interviews**
3. **Receipt of Advisory Body Minutes**
4. **Receipt of Warrant Register**
5. **Declaration of Certain Property Surplus and Approval of its Disposal**  
Resolution 25-056
6. **Approval of Modifications to the Human Resources Division Access to State and Federal Level Summary Criminal History Information for Employment Purposes**  
Resolution 25-057  
Resolution 25-058
7. **Second Reading by Title Only and Adoption of Ordinance No. 1161, Amending Section 16.04.010 of the El Paso de Robles Municipal Code, Fire Hazard Severity**

**Zones within the City of El Paso de Roble Local Response Area, and Approval of Fire**

8. **Approval of Declaration of Public Nuisances Relating to Weed Abatement and Setting a Public Hearing for June 17, 2025 at 6:00PM**

Resolution 25-059

9. **Approval of Maintenance Contract for Landscape & Lighting District No. 1, Maintenance Area 2**

Resolution 25-060

10. **Approval of a Resolution Awarding a Construction Contract for Road Repairs of the Katherine Court, Cathedral Canyon Neighborhood, and Tuley Road (Zones 5G and parts of 4I) Project**

Resolution 25-061

11. **Amended Conditions of Approval - Hotel Ava Project (PD 17-006) – A request to amend Hotel Ava’s Conditions of Approval Nos. 9 and 11 regarding railroad crossing improvements required under Planned Development PD 17-006 and impose a new**

This item was pulled from the consent and heard after the Discussion Items.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Dale Gustin

Motioned by Councilmember Gregory, seconded by Councilmember Strong and passed unanimously to approve Resolution 25-067 amending Hotel Ava’s Conditions of Approval Nos. 9 and 11 regarding railroad crossing improvements required under Planned Development PD 17-006 and impose a new condition of \$40,000 payment to the Capital Improvement Program Fund for future pedestrian improvements.

**AYES:** Gregory, Strong, Bausch, Beal, Hamon

**Roll Call Vote Passed Unanimously**

**Q. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

1. **Public Hearing on the Status of Personnel Vacancies in Compliance with California Assembly Bill 2561**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Linda George.

Council held the public hearing and received the report for filing.

2. **Public Hearing for the Annual Levy of Landscape & Lighting Maintenance District No. 1 and Drainage Maintenance District 2008-1 for Fiscal Year 2025-26**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

Motioned by Councilmember Gregory, seconded by Councilmember Strong, and passed unanimously to approve Resolution 25-062 approving the Engineer's Annual Levy Report for the El Paso de Robles Landscape and Lighting Maintenance District No. 1 for Fiscal Year 2025-26.

**AYES:** Gregory, Strong, Bausch, Beal, Hamon

**Roll Call Vote Passed Unanimously**

Motioned by Councilmember Gregory, seconded by Councilmember Strong, and passed unanimously to approve Resolution 25-063 approving the Engineer's Annual Levy Report for the El Paso de Robles Drainage Maintenance District No. 2008-1 for Fiscal Year 2025-26.

**AYES:** Gregory, Strong, Bausch, Beal, Hamon

**Roll Call Vote Passed Unanimously**

Motioned by Councilmember Gregory, seconded by Councilmember Strong, and passed unanimously to approve Resolution 25-064 Ordering the Levy and Collection of Assessments within the El Paso de Robles Landscape and Lighting Maintenance District No. 1 for Fiscal Year 2025-26.

**AYES:** Gregory, Strong, Bausch, Beal, Hamon

**Roll Call Vote Passed Unanimously**

Motioned by Councilmember Gregory, seconded by Councilmember Strong, and passed unanimously to approve Resolution 25-065 Ordering the Levy and Collection of Assessments within the El Paso de Robles Drainage Maintenance District No. 2008-1 for Fiscal Year 2025-26.

**AYES:** Gregory, Strong, Bausch, Beal, Hamon

**Roll Call Vote Passed Unanimously**

**R. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**1. Approval of City Council Chamber Improvements Associated with the Enhanced Video Broadcast Project**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Dale Gustin

Motioned by Councilmember Gregory, seconded by Councilmember Strong, and passed unanimously to approve Resolution 25-066 approving upgrades to the City Council Chamber associated with the video broadcast project to include an accessible lectern, new carpet, paint, acoustic wall panels, motorized window shades and ADA compliant dais and appropriate \$73,730 in Public, Educational, and Governmental funds, \$50,069 in Capital Improvement Program funds set aside for ADA compliance, and \$35,940 in Facility Replacement Fund Reserves to

fund the Chamber upgrades associated with the video broadcast project; and to direct staff to ensure that Council has an opportunity to review the final design of the dais.

**AYES:** Gregory, Strong, Bausch, Beal, Hamon

**Roll Call Vote Passed Unanimously**

**2. Approval of City Councilmember Strong Travel and Training Expenditure of \$406 in Excess of the Pre-Approved Budgeted Amount**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Linda George.

Motioned by Councilmember Gregory, seconded by Councilmember Bausch and passed unanimously to approve Councilmember Strong's Travel and Training expenditure of \$406 in excess of the pre-approved budgeted amount for Fiscal Year 2024-25.

**AYES:** Gregory, Bausch, Beal, Strong, Hamon

**Roll Call Vote Passed Unanimously**

**S. CITY MANAGER REPORT**

City Manager Chris Huot provided an update on current City activities.

**T. COUNCIL BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Councilmembers and the Mayor reported on committee attendance and other City related activities.

**U. UPCOMING EVENTS**

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

Motioned by Councilmember Bausch, seconded by Councilmember Strong, and passed unanimously by voice vote at 8:07 PM to adjourn to the June 17, 2025 regular City Council meeting in honor of the 81st anniversary of D-Day, Friday, June 6th.

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