

**CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS CALIFORNIA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
July 15, 2026
2:00 P.M.
Laguna Woods City Hall
24264 El Toro Road
Laguna Woods, California 92637**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor McCary called the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Laguna Woods to order at 2:03 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBER: PRESENT: Connors, Horne, Moore, Lee, McCary
 ABSENT: -

All councilmembers participated in-person at the meeting location.

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Macon, City Attorney Patterson, City Clerk Trippy

All staff participated in-person at the meeting location.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mark Monin, resident, led the pledge of allegiance.

IV. PRESENTATIONS AND CEREMONIAL MATTERS

4.1 Wildfire Awareness and Prevention Season – Mid-Summer-Early Fall 2026

City Clerk Trippy read the proclamation.

Mark Monin, resident, made comments.

Reid Gibson, Division Chief, Orange County Fire Authority, made comments and responded to a question from Councilmember Moore.

Milton Neira, Education Specialist, Orange County Fire Authority, made comments and responded to questions from councilmembers.

Councilmembers made comments.

Moved by Councilmember Horne, seconded by Councilmember Conners, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to approve and present the proclamation.

Mayor McCary called for a brief recess.

The meeting was called back to order at 2:17 p.m.

4.2 15 Years of Measure M – Orange County Transportation Authority

Chris Boucly, Orange County Transportation Authority, made a presentation and responded to questions from councilmembers.

Councilmembers made comments.

Moved by Councilmember Horne, seconded by Councilmember Conners, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to receive and file the presentation.

4.3 2026 Women & Girls of Orange County Report – Rima Nashashibi, Orange County Commission on the Status of Women and Girls

Mayor McCary made comments.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Vicki Johnson, resident, commented on the Orange County Fire Authority, the Senior Mobility Program, term limits, Flock cameras, drones, cooling centers, and the Orange County Power Authority.

VI. CITY TREASURER'S REPORT

6.1 City Treasurer Report

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Councilmembers made comments.

Moved by Councilmember Conners, seconded by Councilmember Horne, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to receive and file the City Treasurer's Report for the month of June 2026.

VII. CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Councilmember Moore, seconded by Councilmember Conners, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to approve Consent Calendar items 7.1-7.7.

7.1 City Council Minutes

Approved the City Council meeting minutes for the regular meeting on June 17, 2026.

7.2 Payment Register

Approved the payment register dated July 15, 2026, in the amount of \$718,983.77.

7.3 City Fleet Vehicles

1. Adopted a resolution titled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING AND ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 COMMENCING JULY 1, 2026 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2027, INCREASING MOBILE SOURCE REDUCTION FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO NEW ZERO EMISSION VEHICLES

AND

2. As permitted by Laguna Woods Municipal Code Section 3.06.100(b), waived the competitive bidding requirements set forth in Laguna Woods Municipal Code Section 3.06.080(c) for the purchase of two new 2027 Chevrolet Bolt EV vehicles; and
3. Authorized the City Manager to execute purchase agreements and other documentation to purchase two new 2027 Chevrolet Bolt EV vehicles for the City's fleet in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.

7.4 Purchase Authorization

Authorized expenditures from the existing Information Technology & Cyber Security Account budget to purchase 25 new computers and 25 new docking stations for the new computers in the amount of \$51,625.11, plus any additional tax, using the Dell NASPO Computer Equipment PA – California cooperative purchasing agreement.

7.5 Traffic Signal, Street Light, and City Hall Lighting Maintenance Services

Ratified the City Manager's execution of an assignment and assumption consent agreement with Bear Electrical Solutions, LLC, related to their existing agreement with the City for traffic signal, street light, and City Hall lighting maintenance services.

7.6 Urban County Community Development Block Grant and Other Programs Cooperation Agreement

Approved amendment seven to the cooperation agreement with the County of Orange related to participation in the Urban County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and other United States Department of Housing and Urban Development programs, and authorized the City Manager to execute the amendment,

subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

7.7 City Council Travel Reimbursement

1. Authorized expenditures from the existing City Council Department budget to reimburse Mayor McCary for mileage to and from her home and the Anaheim Convention Center in Anaheim, CA, and for self-parking at the Anaheim Convention Center, to participate in the League of California Cities (Cal Cities) Annual Conference and Expo, September 23-25, 2026, in a total amount not to exceed \$200;
2. Authorized expenditures from the existing City Council Department budget to reimburse Councilmember Moore for mileage to and from her home and the Anaheim Convention Center in Anaheim, CA, and for self-parking at the Anaheim Convention Center, to participate in the League of California Cities (Cal Cities) Annual Conference and Expo, September 23-25, 2026, in a total amount not to exceed \$200; and
3. Authorized expenditures from the existing City Council Department budget to reimburse Mayor Pro Tem Lee for mileage to and from her home and the Anaheim Convention Center in Anaheim, CA, and for self-parking at the Anaheim Convention Center, to participate in the League of California Cities (Cal Cities) Annual Conference and Expo, September 23-25, 2026, in a total amount not to exceed \$200.

VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

IX. CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS

9.1 City-Owned Streetlights Within United Laguna Hills Mutual

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Ann Beltran, resident, spoke in support of the recommendation.

Mike Raugh, resident, expressed concern with the potential intensity of LED lighting and suggested a soft yellow tone.

Bill Walsh, resident, spoke in support of the recommendation and stated that the City may experience tariff-related cost savings.

Vicki Johnson, resident, spoke in support of the item, encouraged the City to look at the potential for incorporating solar panels, and asked about cost savings.

City Manager Macon briefly responded to public comments.

Councilmembers discussed the item and staff responded to questions.

Moved by Councilmember Conners, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lee, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to:

1. Approve a first amendment to the streetlight maintenance and operation agreement with United Laguna Hills Mutual and authorize the Mayor to execute the first amendment, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney; and
2. Direct the City Manager to include funding in the proposed Fiscal Years 2027-29 Budget for the retrofit of 188 City-owned streetlights within United Laguna Hills Mutual with light-emitting diode (“LED”) lamps, as contemplated by the first amendment to the streetlight maintenance and operation agreement with United Laguna Hills Mutual.

9.2 2025-2026 Orange County Grand Jury Report, “Wildfires Hit Home”

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Vicki Johnson, resident, asked about the report.

City Manager Macon briefly responded to Ms. Johnson’s comments.

Councilmembers discussed the item and staff responded to questions.

Moved by Councilmember Horne, seconded by Councilmember Conners, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to approve a response to the 2025-2026 Orange County Grand Jury Report, “Wildfires Hit Home,” authorize the Mayor to execute the response, and direct the City Manager to submit the response as required by applicable law.

9.3 2025-2026 Orange County Grand Jury Report, “California Housing Mandates: the unintended Reshaping of Orange County Neighborhoods”

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Councilmember Horne left the meeting at 3:28 p.m.

Councilmembers discussed the item and staff responded to questions.

Councilmember Horne returned to the meeting at 3:33 p.m.

Moved by Councilmember Conners, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lee, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to approve a response to the 2025-2026 Orange County Grand Jury Report, “California Housing Mandates: The Unintended Reshaping of Orange County Neighborhoods,” authorize the Mayor to execute the response, and direct the City Manager to submit the response as required by applicable law.

9.4 Transit Shelter and Street Furniture Project

City Manager Macon made a presentation.

Councilmembers left the meeting at 4:14 p.m. and returned at 4:19 p.m.

Vicki Johnson, resident, encouraged incorporating an umbrella for shade in the secondary stop, incorporating electronic bus arrival information, preserving views from the stops of approaching buses, and increasing the frequency of buses. Ms. Johnson also asked a clarifying question.

Mike Raugh, resident, expressed his support for more public transit options.

Sue Quam, resident, suggested adding a rear wall to the primary stop and incorporating bus schedule information.

City Manager Macon briefly responded to public comments.

Councilmembers discussed the item and staff responded to questions.

9.5 City Council Meeting Schedule

City Manager Macon summarized the agenda item.

Councilmembers discussed the item and staff responded to questions.

Moved by Councilmember Conners, seconded by Councilmember Horne, and carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote, to schedule an adjourned regular meeting of the City Council for Wednesday, August 12, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. at Laguna Woods City Hall, 24264 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA 92637.

X. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMENTS

10.1 Coastal Greenbelt Authority

Mayor McCary provided a report.

10.2 Orange County Fire Authority

Councilmember Horne provided a report, including a video.

10.3 Orange County Library Advisory Board

Councilmember Moore provided a report, including slides.

Jolene Finn, Branch Manager and Briana Bickal, Librarian, OC Public Libraries, made comments.

10.4 Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District

No report

10.5 San Joaquin Hills Transportation Corridor Agency

Councilmember Connors provided a report and responded to a question from Councilmember Moore.

10.6 South Orange County Watershed Management Area

No report

10.7 Other Comments and Reports – None

XI. CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Patterson reviewed the closed session items.

Prior to convening in closed session, an opportunity was provided for public comments on items appearing on the closed session agenda. No such public comments were received.

The City Council adjourned to closed session at 5:03 p.m.

11.1 The City Council met in closed session under the authority of California Government Code Section 54957(b)(1) to consider the following: Public Employee Performance Evaluation – City Manager.

11.2 The City Council met in closed session under the authority of California Government Code Section 54957.6 to conference with its labor negotiator.

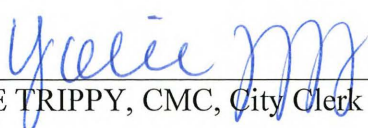
City designated representative: Alisha Patterson, City Attorney
Unrepresented employee: City Manager

XII. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

The City Council reconvened in open session at 5:18 p.m. City Attorney Patterson stated that there was no reportable action.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:19 p.m. The next adjourned regular meeting will be at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 12, 2026, at Laguna Woods City Hall, 24264 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA 92637. The next regular meeting will be at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 19, 2026, at Laguna Woods City Hall, 24264 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA 92637.



YOLIE TRIPPY, CMC, City Clerk

Approved: August 19, 2026


ANNIE MCCARY, Mayor