



**Regular Meeting of the Lompoc City Council
Tuesday, January 6, 2026
City Hall, 100 Civic Center Plaza, Council Chamber**

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CLOSED SESSION

OPEN SESSION – 5:05 P.M. – Council Chamber

Council Members Present: Jeremy Ball, Steve Bridge, Dirk Starbuck, Victor Vega, and Mayor James Mosby.

Staff Present: City Manager Dean Albro, City Clerk Stacey Haddon, and City Attorney Jeff Malawy.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

CLOSED SESSION – City Council Conference Room

BUSINESS ITEM:

1. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION:** Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) Name of case: *Mary Jean Fitz-Gerald v. City of Lompoc, et al.*, Santa Barbara County Superior Court Case No. 24CV01712.
2. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION:** Title: City Manager; Annual Performance Evaluation pursuant to Section 5.2 of City Manager's Employment Agreement
3. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS:** Agency designated representatives: Jeff Malawy, City Attorney; Unrepresented employee: City Manager

OPEN SESSION - 6:35 P.M. – Council Chamber

Council Members Present: Jeremy Ball, Steve Bridge, Dirk Starbuck, Victor Vega, and Mayor James Mosby.

Staff Present: City Manager Dean Albro, City Clerk Stacey Haddon, City Attorney Jeff Malawy, Management Services Director Christie Donnelly, Planning Manager Greg Stones, Contract Planner Laurie Tamura, and Public Works Director Craig Dierling.

Others Present: Adrienne Ainsworth, Jeff Schaeffer, Jay Freeman, Sabrina Ross, Shawna Stilwell, LeAnne Woolever, and Sofia Navarro.

REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION:

City Attorney Jeff Malawy stated Council discussed Closed Session Items No. 1 and No. 2 and provided direction to Staff, Closed Session Item No. 3 was not discussed, no reportable action was taken.

Pastor Brian Halterman gave an invocation and Mayor James Mosby led the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Mosby presented a proclamation in honor of **Human Trafficking Awareness Month 2026** to representatives from Kingdom Causes, Adrienne Ainsworth and Jeff Schaeffer.

CITY MANAGER REPORT: (Information only)

City Manager Dean Albro provided a brief presentation to highlight recent and upcoming City events and happenings, including announcing the winners of the 2025 Holiday Lights & Decorations Contest Winners; the Parks & Recreation 2026 Spring Activity Guide has been printed and is also available online; registration for the annual Father Daughter Dance is open; and the Aquatic Center is hosting extra Rec Swim hours January 5-9, 2026 1pm-3pm; the Library has several community events including infant and family story times and a monthly book club at the Village Library; the Police Department will be holding the Community Academy beginning on January 29, 2026, with 10 week course held on Thursday evenings all persons 18 years or older are invited to register for this program; the Fire Department responded to an early morning structure fire on January 5, 2026 on West Chestnut Avenue and was able to contain and knock it down quickly; a request for federal funding for an emergency generator at the DeWees Community and Senior Center is in the FY26 Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Bill, the City will continue to monitor the progress of the funding and keep Council and the public informed with any updates; and finally announced the City's 2026 Conservation Calendars are available in the lobby here at City Hall.

Mayor Mosby asked if Staff has a plan to purchase electric trucks in replace of the newly discontinued Ford F150 Lightning. Management Services Director Christie Donnelly explained the City is working with the State of California to find an alternative option.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS (Max of 3 Minutes):

1. Rebecca Star spoke about the positive economic impact migrant workers provide to the entire Central Coast area.
2. (Name not provided) asked if the City is participating in Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) proceedings.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Council Member Bridge pulled Consent Calendar Item No. 5 for discussion at the end of the meeting.

Mayor Mosby pulled Consent Calendar Item No. 6 for discussion at the end of the meeting.

ACTION: Motion/Second: Bridge/Starbuck. By a 5-0 vote, Council:

1. Approved the Minutes of the Lompoc City Council Regular Meeting of November 4, 2025
2. Approved and Ratified the expenditures for:

Payroll of December 5, 2025 - \$2,097,341.49
Voucher Register of December 1 – 5, 2025 - \$1,221,300.44
Voucher Register of December 8 – 12, 2025 - \$1,853,828.77
3. **Approve Transit Fare Promotion Reimbursement Agreement with the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) and Authorize the City Manager to Execute the Agreement.**

Approved the Transit Fare Promotion Reimbursement Agreement with Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) and authorize the City Manager to execute the Agreement.
4. **Adoption of Resolution No. 6795(26) Amending the Lompoc Homebuyer Assistance Program Guidelines to Limit the Number of Approved Lenders to Five, Approve a Lender Application and Evaluation Ranking Tool for Selecting Those Five Lenders, and Allocate \$913,747 from the Lompoc Affordable Housing Trust Funds to the Homebuyer Assistance Program**

Adopted Resolution No. 6795(26), which will approve the City of Lompoc Homebuyer Assistance Program (Program) Guidelines as amended; approve the allocation of \$913,747 from the Lompoc Affordable Housing Trust Funds (LAHFT) to provide additional funding to the Program; and approved the Lender application and evaluation ranking tool for approved lenders.

Item No. 5 was pulled for discussion by Council Member Bridge.

5. **Award of a Professional Services Agreement in the Amount of \$731,706 to Mintier Harnish for the City of Lompoc 2050 Technical General Plan Update (Phase II); Adoption of Resolution No. 6796(25) Approving Appropriations.**

Item No. 6 was pulled for discussion by Mayor Mosby.

6. **Award of Project No. FY-25-S-2, 2025 Curb Ramp Upgrade Project.**

CONSENT CALENDAR: (cont'd)

7. Approval of Revised Amendment to the Purchase Agreement with Imerys Minerals Filtration, Inc. to Purchase Diatomaceous Earth in the Amount of \$548,100

Approved the revised contract to purchase annual requirements of diatomaceous earth (estimated to be \$182,700 annually for 270 dry tons per year) from Imerys Minerals Filtration, Inc. (Imerys), for use at the Water Treatment Plant that was awarded by the City Council on November 4, 2025; and authorize the City Manager to execute the revised contract with Imerys Minerals Filtration, Inc. for the purchase; and authorized the Purchasing and Materials Manager to issue a purchase order for the revised contract.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (3 Minutes Maximum):

1. Jay Freeman expressed concern that he is being targeted by Mayor Mosby.
2. Sabrina Ross shared a story about a local woman who was a victim of human trafficking and asked everyone to continue to support the agencies who fight this heinous act.
3. Two (2) persons who did not provide their names, spoke about their personal interactions with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) officers and the anxiety and fear some residents are living with during the increased ICE activity in the area.
4. Shawna Stillwell stated she has concerns about the trustworthiness of Council Member Steve Bridge as the District Attorney has brought forward several felony charges; and expressed her distress about ICE operating inside the City and County.
5. LeAnne Woolever thanked the Lompoc Police Department for continuing to hold up the laws of the land.
6. Sofia Navarro stated she is concerned about her personal safety with the increased ICE operations locally and asked for the City and the County to provide a clear policy which protects all citizens.

APPOINTMENTS:

8. Appointment of Council Member to the City Council Ad-Hoc Committee Regarding Building/Planning Permit Processes.

ACTION: Motion/Second: Starbuck/Mosby. By a 4-1-0 vote (Council Member Ball abstained), Council appointed Council Member Starbuck to the City Council Ad-Hoc Committee regarding building/planning permit processes.

COUNCIL REQUESTS:

9. Results of Lompoc Community “Needs and Funding” Survey; Direction on Next Steps for a Potential 2026 Ballot Measure for a Special Transactions and Use Tax to Increase Funding for Roads and Right-of-Way Maintenance, or Alternative Funding Options

Christie Donnelly, Management Services Director presented the Staff report and recommendations.

Council discussed this matter at length.

Public Comment: None

COUNCIL REQUESTS: (cont'd)

Item No. 9

Council continued its discussion of this item.

Council Member Starbuck motioned to direct Staff to prepare the special tax measure ordinance and all other necessary ordinances and/or resolutions to place a Special Tax Measure on the June 2, 2026, primary election ballot, and return to City Council for approval on January 20, 2026, and February 3, 2026. The motion was seconded by Council Member Bridge.

Council Member Ball proposed a substitute motion to direct Staff to prepare the special tax measure ordinance and all other necessary ordinances and or resolutions to place a General Tax Measure on the June 2, 2026, primary election ballot. This substitute motion died for a lack of second.

ACTION: Motion/Second: Starbuck/Bridge. By a 3-2 vote (Council Members Ball and Vega voted No), Council reviewed and discussed the results of the FlashVote survey including the insights the survey provides regarding potential voter support and turnout for consideration of a possible 2026 ballot measure for a special transactions and use tax for roadway and right-of-way maintenance funding; and directed Staff to prepare a 0.5% Special Tax Measure ordinance and all other necessary ordinances and/or resolutions to place the measure on the **June 2, 2026**, primary election ballot, and return to City Council for approval on January 20, 2026, and February 3, 2026, or earlier if necessary; the 0.5% tax would be in effect for fifteen years and dedicated exclusively to road and pavement maintenance and associated sidewalk and storm drain improvements; revenues would not be used for administrative costs, but can be used as local matching funds with federal, state, and regional transportation grants (*a 4/5 vote of the City Council will be required to adopt the special tax measure ordinance and place it on the ballot. Two-thirds (66.7%) voter approval will be required for the special tax measure to pass.*)

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

CONSENT CALENDAR: (cont'd)

5. **Award of a Professional Services Agreement in the Amount of \$731,706 to Mintier Harnish for the City of Lompoc 2050 Technical General Plan Update (Phase II); Adoption of Resolution No. 6796(25) Approving Appropriations.**

Mayor Mosby asked how this agreement is to be funded and why optional elements are included in the scope of work for the General Plan Update.

Planning Manager Greg Stones and Contract Planner Laurie Tamura explained the optional elements are currently included in the 2030 General Plan and Staff and Consultants are working to merge some elements and make the 2050 General Plan more efficient.

ACTION: Motion/Second: Mosby/Bridge. By a 5-0 vote Council award a Professional Services Agreement (Agreement) to Mintier Harnish Planning Consultants in the amount of \$731,706 for City of Lompoc 2050 Technical General Plan Update; authorize the City Manager to execute the Agreement; and adopt Resolution No. 6796(25) approving the appropriations out of the General Fund equity balance to allow the required updates to the General Plan.

6. **Award of Project No. FY-25-S-2, 2025 Curb Ramp Upgrade Project.**

Mayor Mosby asked Staff if the Project will include the sidewalk at 201 South H Street. Public Works Director Craig Dierling answered yes, stating that location will be added to the Project Map.

ACTION: Motion/Second: Mosby/Vega. By a 5-0 vote Council Adopt the Special Provisions for Project No. FY-25-S-2, 2025 Curb Ramp Upgrade Project (Project), as required by Section 22039 of the Public Contract Code (copies of Special Provisions are on file in the City Engineer's Office); award the Construction Contract in the amount of \$1,525,760 to Main Line Engineering Construction, Inc.; authorize the City Manager to execute the necessary agreements for that Contract; authorize the City Engineer, or designee, to approve additional construction costs and construction contract change orders in an amount not to exceed \$160,000; and approve a budget for other services and expenses primarily including Materials Testing in the amount of \$50,000.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (2 Minutes Maximum): None

COUNCIL COMMENTS AND MEETING REPORTS:

Council Member Ball asked Staff to comment on the City's request to Homeland Security for funding and if the Lompoc Police Department is assisting any Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) operations. City Manager Dean Albro explained the City's request for federal funding in FY 2026 Homeland Security appropriations is to fund an emergency generator and automatic transfer switch at the DeWees Community & Senior Center. Police Chief Kevin Martin stated the Lompoc Police Department does not assist with ICE operations.

Council Member Ball also requested a future agenda item to allow the Council to discuss providing a donation to the public who may have been negatively affected by any ICE operations. This request died for a lack of a second.

Council Member Bridge stated he wants Staff to provide a date on the Future Agenda List for the review of the Discussion and Review of the Lompoc Municipal Code; and asked for Staff to provide a list of restricted funds with the summary of the restrictions.

ADJOURNMENT: At 8:40 P.M. Mayor Mosby adjourned the Lompoc City Council to a Regular Meeting on January 20, at 6:30 P.M., in City of Lompoc Council Chamber.

Approved by Council action on March 17, 2026:

Stacey Haddon
Stacey Haddon, City Clerk