

PIEDMONT CITY COUNCIL

Special and Regular Meeting Minutes for Monday, May 19, 2025

A Special and Regular Session of the Piedmont City Council in the City Hall Council Chambers, 120 Vista Avenue, was held on May 19, 2025. In accordance with Government Code Section 54954.2, the agenda for this meeting was posted for public inspection on May 15, 2025.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Andersen called the Regular Session meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and no reportable action from the Closed Session.

ROLL CALL Present: Mayor Betsy Smegal Andersen, Vice Mayor Conna McCarthy, Councilmember Jennifer Long, Councilmember Lorrel Plimier, and Councilmember Tom Ramsey

Absent: None

Staff: City Administrator Rosanna Bayon Moore, Deputy City Attorney Deepa Sharma, Planning and Building Director Kevin Jackson, Senior Planner Pierce MacDonald, Fire Captain Mike Carlisle, Police Chief Jeremy Bowers, Public Works Director Daniel Gonzales, Recreation Director Chelle Putzer, and City Clerk Anna Brown

PUBLIC FORUM There was no **Public Comment** received.

PRESENTATIONS Mayor Smegal read a proclamation for Wildfire Awareness Month. Fire Captain Mike Carlisle invited the public to an evacuation drill on June 14 and Fire Chief Dave Brannigan expressed his appreciation for Piedmont firefighters.

CONSENT CALENDAR The Consent Calendar consisted of the following items:

Meeting Minutes Approval of the Minutes for the City Council Meetings of 4/7/2025, 4/21/25, 4/30/25, and 5/5/2025 as amended.

Approval of Street Tree Pruning Project FY 2024-25 Approval of Acceptance of Improvements for the FY 2024-25 Street Tree Pruning Project

Approval of Designating Projects for SB-1 Road Maintenance FY 2025-26 and Authorization to the Finance Director Approval of a Resolution Designating Projects for Senate Bill 1 (SB-1) Road Maintenance for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 and Authorization for the Finance Director to Modify the Budget to Reflect Anticipated SB-1 Revenues (Recommended CEQA Action: Exempt under CEQA Guideline Section 15301)

Consulting Services Agreement for the Housing Element Programs and City's Subdivision and Zoning Codes Consideration of a Consulting Services Agreement with Dyett & Bhatia Urban and Regional Planners, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$179,440 for Services Related to the Implementation of Eleven Housing Element Programs, and Updates to the City's Subdivision and Zoning Codes

There was no **Public Comment** received.

Resolution 21-2025

RESOLVED, that the City Council adopts Consent Calendar Items 1 – 4 with amendments to the 5/5/25 City Council meeting minutes.

Moved by Long, Seconded by Ramsey

Ayes: Andersen, Long, McCarthy, Plimier, and Ramsey

Abstain: None

Absent: None

REGULAR AGENDA

The Council considered the following items of regular business:

**2024 Annual Progress
Report for the 6th
Cycle Housing
Element
Implementation**

City Administrator Rosanna Bayon Moore applauded staff on the work and progress on the Housing Element before Senior Planner Pierce MacDonald presented the 2024 Annual Progress Report (APR) to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) regarding the Implementation of the 6th Cycle (2023-2031) Housing Element, and noted it is available for public review on the City's website. She highlighted the Housing Element (HE) background information, Housing programs progress on Table D, and Housing unit production in 2024. Furthermore, she noted that effective 5th Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) Cycle programs and new programs were included in the HE programs, accessory dwelling units (ADUs) and Senate Bill 9 (SB 9) units were significant sourcing of new housing unit production, Moraga Canyon Specific Plan preparations began in 2023, and the City of Piedmont is making good faith implementation progress. Ms. MacDonald shared a link to subscribe to a monthly newsletter for updates on housing work.

There was no **Public Comment** received.

This is an information report; thus, no action is requested of the City Council.

**Community Pool Pass
Model and Fee
Structure**

Recreation Director Chelle Putzer introduced the aquatics team and Isaac Sports Group President, Stu Isaac, and noted the pool budget is an enterprise fund that has a goal of being cost recovered, updates to the 2022 operational analysis, 40 percent of total revenue for the pool budget comes from the Pool Pass Model and drop in sales, and application of a simple model and price levers, all as part of the consideration of the Piedmont Community Pool Pass Model and Associated Fee Structure.

Mr. Isaac presented the Piedmont Community Pool Pass and financial operating analysis and indicated that after considering the background it was decided to start from scratch, to identify how to best meet the needs of the changing family and household make up and increase flexibility in a simpler way. He highlighted the focus areas of the Pool Advisory Committee (PAC), Pool Pass model base categories, add-on options, and terms, logic behind the fee structure and graphic, resident benefits, Pool Pass fees and sales, 2022 operational analysis update, major revenue sources, facility rental fees, major expense categories, profit/loss summary, and Capital Reserve Fund.

PAC Chair Steve Roland outlined five foundational concepts: operation breakeven, inviting to neighboring cities, priority to residents for fees and facility access, flexible pass options, and accessibility and inclusive. He explored options to temper costs and challenges related to differentials

between residents and nonresidents, resident priority access, the capital reserve, and inclusiveness.

The Council had a robust conversation with staff on the matter.

There was no **Public Comment** received.

Resolution 22-2025

RESOLVED, that the City Council approves the Community Pool Pass Model and Associated Fee Structure.

Moved by McCarthy, Seconded by Plimier

Ayes: Andersen, Long, McCarthy, Plimier, and Ramsey

Abstain: None

Absent: None

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**REPORTS AND
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Vice Mayor McCarthy attended the mayor's conference hosted by Alameda and noted that she enjoys serving on the Alameda County Transportation Commission.

Councilmember Plimier announced that the Park Commission will consider a resolution recommending Council adoption of the Moraga Canyon Specific Plan at their June 4 meeting and the Recreation Commission will do the same on June 18 as it relates to recreation uses. She acknowledged staff for planning the Design and Sustainability Awards Gala.

Mayor Smegal reported on the City Leader's Summit in Sacramento and City School Liaison Committee meeting and announced the upcoming Piedmont High School graduation and guest speaker, Police Chief Jeremy Bowers.

Ms. Bayon Moore announced the Budget Advisory Committee meetings on May 20 and May 27 at 6 p.m. at City Hall to review and discuss the FY 2025-26 draft budget and noted it's available on the City's website.

Councilmember Long announced a Recreation Commission meeting on May 21 and the Public Safety meeting on May 22.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Mayor Andersen adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m. in memory of George Sanen.