



**MINUTES
SOLVANG CITY COUNCIL
Monday, September 8, 2025**

Regular Meeting – 6:30 PM

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brown called the Regular meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 1644 Oak Street, Solvang, California.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor David Brown, Mayor pro tem Claudia Orona, Councilmembers Mark Infanti, Elizabeth Orona, Louise Smith

Staff: City Manager Randy Murphy, City Attorney Chelsea O’Sullivan, City Clerk Annamarie Porter, Administrative Services Director Wendy Berry, Public Works Director Bridget Paris, Assistant to the City Manager Olivia Mutal-Uribe

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Stacey Otte Demangate led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. PROCLAMATIONS, COMMENDATIONS AND CEREMONIAL ITEMS

- a. California Nature Art Museum Proclamation

Stacey Otte Demangate accepted.

- b. Santa Ynez Valley News 100th Anniversary Proclamation

Margaret Cooley accepted.

2. PRESENTATIONS - None

3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS – NON- AGENDA AND CONSENT ITEMS

Mayor Brown invited public comments.

Dennis Beebe

There were no other public comments.

4. CITY MANAGER REPORT AND ADVANCE CALENDAR

City Manager Murphy spoke of Waste Management Quarterly Cleanup, Park Master Plan community meeting scheduled for October 15th, gateways into the City maintained by Caltrans; issuing a TUP for Lot 72 for parking, Wastewater treatment issues and possibility of forming a committee with community participation, the City’s first newsletter.

5. GC SECTION 53232.3(d) (aka AB 1234) and GC SECTION 84308 (aka SB 1439) REPORT OUT, COUNCIL COMMENTS, REQUESTS

Councilmember Smith reported attending the Academy for Newly Elected Officials.

Councilmember Elizabeth Orona reported attending the Eastern Management Agency Water Board meeting.

Councilmember Infanti reported attending the Chamber Mixer, the GSA Board meeting, the CalNAM Gallery and Montecito Bank's 50th Anniversary event.

Mayor Brown reported attending the Opioid Prevention conference hosted by the Santa Barbara County Sherrif's Department, attending a SBCAG meeting and an Air Pollution Control District meeting.

6. CONSENT ITEMS

- a. Approve Order of Agenda.
- b. Approve City Council Minutes: August 11, 2025
- c. August Check Report
- d. Quarterly April, May, June Financial Report
- e. Approve Donation Policy
- f. Approve Surveillance Policy.
- g. Approve the Investment Strategies selected by the Plan Administrator for the Pension and OPEB Accounts.

Councilmember Elizabeth Orona pulled Item 6.e and Mayor Brown pulled Item 6.f for separate discussion.

Motion by Councilmember Elizabeth Orona to approve the Consent Calendar, as amended, pulling Item No. 6.e and 6.f for separate consideration, seconded by Councilmember Infanti, and carried 5-0.

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT

- e. Approve Donation Policy

Discussions regarding restricted donations and adding language requiring an inspection at the owner's expense and the scope of donations in the policy.

Motion by Councilmember Elizabeth Orona to approve Item 6.e of the Consent Calendar, as amended, seconded by Councilmember Smith, and carried 5-0.

- f. Approve Surveillance Policy

Assistant to the City Manager Mutal-Urbe reported the project is specifically focused on the Downtown Corridor Surveillance Pilot Project (seven cameras) and noted that body cams and drones are managed under a different system and drones require consideration of FAA regulations, and noted that the Sheriff's Office has its own body cams and policies which they have shared with the City.

Motion by Councilmember Elizabeth Orona to approve Item 6.f of the Consent Calendar, as presented, seconded by Councilmember Infanti, and carried 5-0.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- a. Award Alamo Pintado Pavement Rehabilitation Project Construction Administration and Inspection Contract

Public Works Director Paris reported that staff decided to pull the construction contract for the project to rebid it in December and with construction starting in the spring and noted wanting to move forward with the administration and inspection contract with Pavement Engineering Inc. for their support during the bidding process of the project that will be going out to bid.

There were no public comments on this item.

Motion by Councilmember Infanti to approve the award of the Alamo Pintado Pavement Rehabilitation Project Construction Administration and Inspection Contract, as presented, seconded by Mayor pro tem Claudia Orona, and carried 5-0.

9. COUNCIL CLOSING COMMENTS

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Annamarie Porter, CMC, City Clerk