

MINUTES
OXNARD CITY COUNCIL
FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE
Regular Meeting
March 24, 2026

A. ROLL CALL, POSTING OF AGENDA, FLAG SALUTE

At 5:00 p.m., Committee Member Gabriela Rodriguez called to order the regular meeting of the Oxnard City Council Finance and Governance Committee in the City Hall Council Chambers at 305 West Third Street, Oxnard, California. Committee Members Gabriela Rodriguez and Aaron Starr were present. Chair Luis A. Mc Arthur was absent. The City Clerk stated that the agenda was posted on Tuesday, March 17, 2026 at the Library, City Hall kiosk, City Administrative Offices and on the website.

It was moved by Member Starr, seconded by Member Rodriguez, to appoint Gabriela Rodriguez as Chair Pro Tem in the absence of Chair Mc Arthur. VOTE: Starr and Rodriguez voted in favor. The motion carried 2-0. Chair Mc Arthur was absent.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States led by Member Rodriguez.

Staff members present were Alexander Nguyen, City Manager; Eric Sonstegard, Assistant City Manager; Stephen Fischer, City Attorney; Jason Zaragoza, Assistant City Attorney; Steve Naveau, Human Resources Director and Lourdes A. López, City Clerk.

Consideration of Teleconference Participation pursuant to Assembly Bill 2449.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA AND NON-ACTION ITEMS

Public comments were received from Jim Lavery.

C. CONSENT AGENDA

1. City Clerk Department

SUBJECT: Approval of Minutes.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Finance and Governance Committee approve the regular meeting minutes for January 27, February 10 and 24, and March 10, 2026.

No public comments were received.

It was moved by Member Starr, seconded by Chair Pro Tem Rodriguez, to approve the Information/Consent item as presented. VOTE: Starr and Rodriguez voted in favor; the motion carried 2-0. Chair Mc Arthur was absent.

D. REPORTS

1. City Manager Department

SUBJECT: California Public Records Act Update and Amending the Position Control Resolution for the City Manager's Office.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Finance and Governance Committee:

1. Receive and file a report on the California Public Records Act Request Activity and forward the report to the City Council; and
2. Recommend that the City Council adopt a resolution amending the Full-Time Equivalent Resolution No. 15,885 for the City Managers' Office to add one full-time Administrative Services Specialist position, and reclassify one Administrative Services Analyst position to an Administrative Services Analyst Senior position, effective upon adoption, and take related actions as necessary.

Public comments were received from Eric Andrist and Alicia Percell.

The City Manager, Assistant City Manager Sonstegard, Assistant City Attorney, Human Resources Director and City Clerk presented and were available to answer the committee's questions. Discussion ensued among the Committee and staff.

It was moved by Member Starr to postpone the item until the City Manager and City Clerk can discuss it and return with their recommendations. The motion did not receive a second.

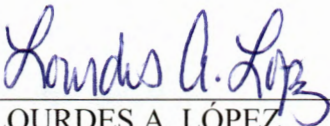
It was moved by Chair Pro Tem Rodriguez, seconded by Member Starr, to approve the recommended item as presented. VOTE: Rodriguez voted in favor; Councilman Starr voted no. The motion failed 1-1. Chair Mc Arthur was absent.

E. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

No requests were made.

F. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business on the agenda, and without objection, Chair Pro Tem Rodriguez adjourned the meeting at 5:42 p.m.



LOURDES A. LÓPEZ
City Clerk



GABRIELA RODRIGUEZ
Chair Pro Tem