CITY OF PASADENA
City Council Minutes
October 13, 2026 – 4:30 P.M.
City Hall Council Chamber

SPECIAL MEETING

OPENING: Vice Mayor Rivas called the special meeting to order at 4:35 p.m. (Absent: Councilmembers Jones, Madison, and Mayor Gordo)

ROLL CALL:
Councilmembers:

Mayor Victor M. Gordo
Vice Mayor Jessica Rivas
Councilmember Rick Cole
Councilmember Tyron Hampton
Councilmember Justin Jones
Councilmember Jason Lyon
Councilmember Steve Madison
Councilmember Gene Masuda

Staff:

Interim City Manager Matthew E. Hawkesworth
City Attorney/City Prosecutor Michele Beal Bagneris
City Clerk Mark Jomsky

PUBLIC COMMENT: No one appeared for public comment.

CLOSED SESSION

CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL regarding pending litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Name of Case: City of Pasadena v. Varda, Inc., et al.
Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. 25NNCV01992

Councilmember Madison arrived at 4:42 p.m.

Councilmember Jones arrived at 4:44 p.m.

Mayor Gordo arrived at 4:48 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8
Property Locations: 230 Wigmore Drive, 180 W. Glenarm Avenue, 1175 Pasadena Avenue, and 163 State Street
Agency Negotiator: Matthew Hawkesworth, Interim City Manager
Negotiating Party: Bryan Wong, Chief Executive Officer, San Gabriel Valley Habitat for Humanity
Under negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Agency Designated Representatives: Matthew Hawkesworth and Tiffany Jacobs-Quinn
Employee Organization: International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW)

The above closed session items were discussed, with no reportable action taken at this time.

The above closed session item discussion continued as part of the regular meeting. *See minutes for the October 13, 2026 regular meeting for additional details.*

CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE regarding public employee performance evaluation pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)
Title: Interim City Manager

CONSIDERATION OF INITIATION OF LITIGATION pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4): One potential case

CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL regarding significant exposure to potential litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2): One potential case

The above closed session items were not discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

On order of the Mayor, the special meeting of the City Council adjourned at 5:00 p.m. to the regular meeting of the City Council.

Victor M. Gordo, Mayor
City of Pasadena

ATTEST:

City Clerk