

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Thousand Oaks, California

March 18, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor David Newman called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in the Civic Arts Plaza - Kavli Theatre Founder's Room.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmembers Adam, Engler, Gutierrez, Taylor, and Mayor Newman present.

Also present: City Manager Andrew P. Powers, City Attorney Tracy M. Noonan, Assistant City Manager Ingrid Hardy, Deputy City Manager Akbar Alikhan, City Clerk Laura B. Maguire, Finance Director Jaime Boscarino, Community Development Director Kelvin Parker, Public Works Director Cliff Finley, Cultural and Community Services Director Jonathan Serret, Human Resources Director Jeanette Green, Strategic Communications/Public Affairs Director Alexandra South, Deputy Cultural and Community Services Director Melissa Hurtado, Deputy Finance Director Carrie Matson, Sustainability Division Manager Kelly Clark, Planning Division Manager Krystin Rice, Police Chief Jeremy Paris, Fire Chief Jeff Shea, Deputy City Clerk Sandra Delgado, Information Technology Supervisor Atanas Beltchev, Cable Operations Supervisor Carl Jarecky, Senior Video Production Specialist Richard Swingler, Senior Video Production Specialist Ryan Palmer, Assistant Analyst Christy Glaubke, and Senior Recording Secretary Dominga Zambrano.

3. CLOSED SESSION:

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS – City designated representatives: City Manager Andrew Powers; City Attorney Tracy Noonan; Assistant City Manager Ingrid Hardy; Finance Director Jaime Boscarino; Human Resources Director Jeanette Green; Deputy Human Resources Director Sharon Chen; Deputy Finance Director Carrie Matson; Employee Organizations: Thousand Oaks City Employees Association (TOCEA); Thousand Oaks Management Association (TOMA); Senior Management Association (SMA); and Executive Managers (Assistant City Manager, Deputy City Manager, Finance Director, Community Development Director, Public Works Director, City Clerk, Human Resources Director, Cultural and Community Services Director, Strategic Communications Director); Pursuant to California Government Code section 54957.6.

City Attorney Noonan announced Closed Session held at 5:01 p.m.

4. CLOSED SESSION REPORT:

City Attorney Noonan announced there was nothing to report at 6:00 p.m.

5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Newman led the pledge of allegiance.

6. AB 2449 ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS FOR CONTINUANCE OF ANY PUBLIC HEARING OR AGENDA ITEM: None.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS: To be heard before 6:45 p.m. If additional speakers for public comments remain at 6:45 p.m., remainder of speakers may be called at the end of the meeting. (Resolution Nos. 2011-067/2023-008): To be heard before 6:45 p.m. If additional speakers for public comments remain at 6:45 p.m., remainder of speakers may be called at the end of the meeting. (Resolution Nos. 2011-066/067)

Speakers: Chris Sam, Thousand Oaks; Josh Gray, Greater Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce Director of Government Affairs and Tourism; Ira Plattner, Thousand Oaks (submitted document); Clint Fultz, Thousand Oaks; Kat Selm, Thousand Oaks.

8. STUDY SESSIONS:

A. Citywide FY 2025-26 Top Ten Priorities and Goal Setting Study Session

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Receive broad organizational updates from City staff.
2. Establish Citywide FY 2025-26 Top Ten Priorities.
3. Review and, if necessary, revise Citywide Goals and City Council Norms.
4. Find that this action is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act.

Citywide FY 2025-26 Top Ten Priorities and Goal Setting Study Session introduction and overview provided by City Manager Powers. Assistant City Manager Hardy (Homelessness), Community Development Director Parker (Affordable and Workforce Housing), Police Chief Paris (Public Safety), Deputy Cultural and Community Services Director Hurtado (Family Justice Center), Deputy City Manager Alikhan (Downtown Project), Economic Development Manager Alawami (Economic Development), Sustainability Division Manager Clark (Environmental Sustainability), Public Works Director Finley (Public Works and Infrastructure Investment), Planning Division Manager Rice (General Plan Update), Cultural and Community Services Director Serret (Theatres and Library), Deputy Finance Director Matson and Director of Strategic Communications & Public Affairs South (Technology Investment), and Fire Chief Shea provided organization updates. Additional information supplemental packet.

City Manager Powers led discussion to establish Citywide FY 2025-26 Top Ten Priorities, reviewing individual priorities identified by City Council. City Council provided direction on establishing final priorities. City Attorney Noonan responded to questions.

Speaker/Written Statement: None.

8. STUDY SESSIONS: (Continued)

A. Citywide FY 2025-26 Top Ten Priorities and Goal Setting Study Session
(Continued)

Motion by Councilmember Adam to approve staff's recommendation to establish Citywide FY 2025-26 Top Ten Priorities with changes as discussed to eliminate Priority #9 (Cultural Arts + Library) and combine Priority #12 (Active Transportation Plan) with Priority #10 (Public Works Infrastructure Investment) with revised wording as follows: Complete Active Transportation Plan, including a citywide bicycle network, with robust public engagement and exploring grant opportunities | Identify + onboard next Public Works Director | Prepare for next two-year citywide pavement rehabilitation project | Advance Lynn Road bike lane improvements in conjunction with Caltrans | Rehabilitate damaged areas of sidewalk infrastructure through use of both in-house and contractual resources | Rehabilitate public medians with drought tolerant landscaping | Maintain aging infrastructure.

Passed 5-0 by the following vote:

Ayes – Adam, Engler, Gutierrez, Taylor, Newman

Noes – None

Motion by Councilmember Adam to approve staff's recommendation to reaffirm the Citywide Goals with change to Goal E to include additional language, revised wording as follows: Complete ring of open space around the City; Protect and preserve ridgelines, natural habitat, and designated open space areas, while balancing needs for wildfire mitigation.

Passed 5-0 by the following vote:

Ayes – Adam, Engler, Gutierrez, Taylor, Newman

Noes – None

Motion by Mayor Newman to approve staff's recommendation to reaffirm City Council Norms with no changes.

Passed 5-0 by the following vote:

Ayes – Adam, Engler, Gutierrez, Taylor, Newman

Noes – None

City Manager Powers provided update on the March 25, 2025, City Council meeting.

9. ADJOURNMENT: City Council adjourned at 9:00 p.m. to Regular Meeting on March 25, 2025.

David Newman, Mayor
City of Thousand Oaks City Council

Attest:

Laura B. Maguire, City Clerk
City of Thousand Oaks City Council

AGENDA POSTED: March 13, 2025
MINUTES APPROVED:

The presence of electronic signature certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy as approved by the City of Thousand Oaks City Council on the date cited above.

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