MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL / SUCCESSOR AGENCY / HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF STANTON
JOINT REGULAR MEETING DECEMBER 9, 2025

**1. CLOSED SESSION** None.

**2. CALL TO ORDER STANTON CITY COUNCIL / SUCCESSOR AGENCY / HOUSING AUTHORITY JOINT REGULAR MEETING**

The City Council / Successor Agency / Housing Authority meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Mayor Shawver.

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Led by Mr. James J. Wren, Public Safety Services Director.

**4. ROLL CALL**

Present: Council/Agency/Authority Member Barrios, Council/Agency/Authority Member Taylor, Council/Agency/Authority Member Warren, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Torres, and Mayor/Chairman Shawver.

Absent: None.

Excused: None.

**5. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS**

A. Presentation of Certificate of Recognition to Mr. Alejandro Ortiz, Stanton graduate of the Orange County Sanitation District‘s Wastewater 101 - Citizens Academy, 2025.

B. Presentation by Assistant Sheriff Nate Wilson, Orange County Sheriff’s Department regarding the Orange County Sheriff’s Department’s Evidence Based Services.

C. Ms. Hannah Shin-Heydorn, City Manager, presented an update on the City’s homeless outreach activities.

**6. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Mayor Shawver requested to pull Items 6G, 6H, and 6I from the consent calendar for separate discussion.

Motion/Second: Taylor/Warren
Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: 5 (Barrios, Shawver, Taylor, Torres, and Warren)
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Motion unanimously carried:

## CONSENT CALENDAR

### 6A. MOTION TO APPROVE THE READING BY TITLE OF ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS. SAID ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS THAT APPEAR ON THE PUBLIC AGENDA SHALL BE READ BY TITLE ONLY AND FURTHER READING WAIVED

The City Council/Agency Board/Authority Board waived reading of Ordinances and Resolutions.

### 6B. APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

The City Council approved demand warrants dated November 15, 2025 – November 28, 2025, in the amount of $993,522.16.

### 6C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The City Council/Successor Agency/Housing Authority approved Minutes of Joint Regular Meeting – November 25, 2025.

### 6D. CONTINUANCE OF THE PROCLAMATION OF THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY CAUSED BY HOMELESSNESS CRISIS

At its meeting of November 26, 2024, the City Council adopted a resolution proclaiming the existence of a local emergency. Based on the continuing impacts of homelessness on public health and safety within the City of Stanton, the City Council's proclamation of the existence of a local emergency will continue until further notice.

1. The City Council declared that the proposed actions are not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act ("Public Resources Code section 21000 et seq.) ("CEQA") because they do not qualify as a "project" under CEQA Receive and file; and

2. Received and filed the report.

**6E. MEETING DATES FOR THE STANTON CITY COUNCIL, STANTON COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION, STANTON PLANNING COMMISSION, AND STANTON PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

City Council review the attached 2026 meeting dates for the Stanton City Council, Stanton Community Services Commission, Stanton Planning Commission, and Stanton Public Safety Committee.

1. The City Council finds that this item is not subject to California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Sections 15378(b)(5) (Organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment); and

2. Received and filed the Stanton City Council, Stanton Community Services Commission, Stanton Planning Commission, and Stanton Public Safety Committee meeting dates for the year 2026.

**6F. APPROVE RESOLUTION TO RECEIVE AND FILE FISCAL YEAR 2024/25 DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE REPORT AND MAKE CERTAIN FINDINGS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 66000, et. seq.**

The Fiscal Year 2024/25 Annual Financial Report of Development Impact Fees ("Fiscal Year 2024/25 Development Impact Fee Report") is hereby provided to City Council in Attachment A to this staff report as required by California Government Code Section 66006, which was enacted by Assembly Bill No. 1600 (AB 1600). All development impact fees that have been collected, including interest earned on the fees, have been spent or have been earmarked for spending as of June 30, 2025. Consequently, there are no funds that are required by California Government Code Section 66006 to be refunded to property owners. Staff recommends the City Council approve Resolution No. 2025-34 to approve the receipt and filing of the Fiscal Year 2024/25 Development Impact Fee Report and certain findings the California Government Code requires the City Council to affirm.

1. The City Council finds that this item is not subject to California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Section 15378(b)(5) (Organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment); and

2. Approved Resolution No. 2025-34 to receive and file the Fiscal Year 2024/25 Development Impact Fee Report and make certain findings pursuant to Government Code Section 66006, entitled:

   **"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STANTON TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE FISCAL YEAR 2024/25 DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE REPORT AND MAKE CERTAIN FINDINGS, AS REQUIRED BY CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 66000 et seq.".**

## 6J. DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY AND AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE TWO VEHICLES FOR CITY FLEET

Occasionally equipment purchased by the City has outlived its useful life and needs to be sold or otherwise disposed of. Staff is recommending the surplus of five vehicles in compliance with the City's Purchasing Policy and Procedures IV-4-12. Staff is required to petition the City Manager and City Council to declare the property surplus, obsolete, or unusable. In addition, staff is requesting to purchase two 2025 Toyota Tacoma pickup trucks.

1. The City Council declared that this action to be categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") under Section 15378(b)(5) – Organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect changes in the environment; and

2. Declared the equipment listed in Attachment A as surplus; and

3. Directed staff to sell or dispose of said equipment according to Administrative Policy IV-4-12 Purchasing Policy and Procedures; and

4. Authorized the purchase of two 2025 Toyota Tacoma pickup trucks for a not-to-exceed amount of $79,230, including a ten percent contingency; and

5. Authorized the City Manager to execute related purchasing documents; and

6. Appropriated $80,000 from the Fleet Maintenance Fund (#605) for the purchase of two 2025 Toyota Tacoma pickup trucks.

## 6K. APPROVAL OF FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH YUNEX, LLC FOR THE STREETLIGHT UPGRADES PROJECT (TASK CODE NO. 2026-104)

On August 26, 2025, the City Council approved a contract with Yunex, LLC to upgrade 54 streetlight fixtures with higher-lumen units along Beach Boulevard and other locations using Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) funding. As part of this project, the existing fixtures, many of which were upgraded with the Safe Streets Together campaign, are being salvaged for reuse at other sites. The cost to complete these additional relocations is $8,025. A contract amendment is required to increase the compensation amount from $72,295 to $80,320.

1. The City Council declared that this project is categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), Class 2, Section 15302 as replacement of existing structures and facilities; and

2. Appropriated $8,025 from the Lighting Maintenance 1919 Act Fund (# 224) to increase the Streetlight Upgrades Project (Task Code No. 2026-104) budget; and

3. Approved the First Amendment to the exiting construction contract with Yunex, LLC for the Streetlight Upgrades Project, subject to any necessary revisions by the City Attorney; and

4. Authorized the City Manager to execute the First Amendment to the existing construction contract with Yunex, LLC for the Streetlight Upgrades Project.

**6L. FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH AC PROS, INC. FOR THE HVAC SYSTEM REPLACEMENT PHASE 1 PROJECT (TASK CODE NO. 2026-603)**

On August 26, 2025, the City Council approved a contract with AC Pros, Inc. to upgrade and replace a total of five (5) of eight (8) total HVAC units at the Stanton Community Center using Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding. Since then, the City has acquired additional CDBG funding for this project. As part of this project, the contractor submitted optional alternate costs to replace the remaining three (3) units. The cost to complete these additional replacements is $485,011.52.

1. The City Council declared that this project is categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), Class 2, Section 15302 as replacement of existing structures and facilities; and

2. Appropriated $485,011.52 from the Public Benefit Fee Fund (#104) to increase the HVAC System Replacement Phase 1 Project (Task Code No. 2026-603) budget; and

3. Authorized the City Manager to execute the First Amendment to the existing construction contract with AC Pros, Inc. for the HVAC System Replacement Phase 1 Project to accept the optional alternate proposal and increase the not-to-exceed compensation amount to $969,011.52, subject to City Attorney review and approval.

**END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

## 6G. LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH ORANGE COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT FOR STANTON STORM CHANNEL BRIDGE AT STANTON PARK

The replacement of the pedestrian bridge at Stanton Park required the City to obtain an encroachment permit from the Orange County Flood Control District, which included a condition that the City enter into this License Agreement. The agreement has a ten-year term, and the City is required to pay the Orange County Flood Control District a one-time fee of $5,500 for the duration of the license.

Motion/Second: Shawver/Torres
Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: 5 (Barrios, Shawver, Taylor, Torres, and Warren)
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Motion unanimously carried:

1. The City Council declared this action to be categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act, Section 15061(b)(3) as the activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing significant effect on the environment; and

2. Approved the Orange County Flood Control District License Agreement to allow the placement of a pedestrian bridge over the Stanton Storm Channel (District Facility No. C02S01) for a ten-year term; and

3. Authorized the City Manager to execute the License Agreement with Orange County Flood Control District.

## 6H. AWARD A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR THE VIA IRANA AND VIA KANNELA SEWER REPLACEMENT AND STREET IMPROVEMENT DESIGN PROJECT

The City's annual sewer rehabilitation project, per the Sewer Master Plan, for Fiscal Year 2025/2026 identified rehabilitating approximately 1,509 linear feet of existing 8-inch sewer pipe on Via Irana and Via Kannela and resurfacing the streets as construction for the sewer pipe replacement will severely impact the street conditions. Staff recommends awarding a Professional Services Agreement to RKA Consulting Group for professional design services for the Via Irana and Via Kannela Sewer Replacement and Street Improvement Project.

Motion/Second: Taylor/Torres
Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: 5 (Barrios, Shawver, Taylor, Torres, and Warren)
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Motion unanimously carried:

1. The City Council declared this project to be exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), Class 1, Section 15301(b) as maintenance, repair and minor alteration of existing publicly owned sewer utilities and Class 1, Section 15301(c) as repair, maintenance, and minor alteration of existing streets, sidewalks, gutters, and similar facilities; and

2. Awarded a Professional Services Agreement to RKA Consulting Group for Professional Design Services for the Via Irana and Via Kannela Sewer Replacement and Street Improvement Project in the amount of $105,145; and

3. Authorized the City Manager to bind the City of Stanton and RKA Consulting Group in an Agreement to provide the services; and

4. Authorized the City Manager to approve a contingency, in the amount of $10,515 to RKA Consulting Group.

**6I. RESOLUTIONS AMENDING THE POSITION CLASSIFICATION MANUAL AND THE SALARY AND BENEFITS RESOLUTION**

The attached Resolutions amend the Position Classification Manual and the Salary and Benefits Resolution by establishing the classification of Senior Accountant, assigning its corresponding salary range, and updating the Accountant job description.

Motion/Second: Torres/Taylor
Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: 5 (Barrios, Shawver, Taylor, Torres, and Warren)
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Motion unanimously carried:

1. The City Council declared that this project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") under Section 15378(b)(2) – continuing administrative or maintenance activities, such as purchases for supplies, personnel-related actions, general policy or procedure making; and

2. Adopted Resolution No. 2025-37 amending the Position Classification Manual, entitled:

   **"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STANTON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE POSITION CLASSIFICATION MANUAL"**; and

3. Adopted Resolution No. 2025-38 amending the Salary and Benefits Resolution, entitled:

   **"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STANTON, CALIFORNIA, REGARDING EMPLOYEE BENEFITS AND SALARY RATES FOR ALL CLASSES OF EMPLOYMENT".**

**7. PUBLIC HEARINGS** None.

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**8A. APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 1166 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STANTON, CALIFORNIA, ADDING CHAPTER 9.51 (PROHIBITION OF THE SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF KRATOM AND KRATOM PRODUCTS) TO TITLE 9 (PEACE, SAFETY AND MORALS) OF THE CITY OF STANTON MUNICIPAL CODE**

This Ordinance was introduced at the regular City Council meeting of November 25, 2025.

Staff report by Ms. Patricia A. Vazquez, City Clerk.

E-Public Comment:

- Accounting Department Guardian Socal, wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that they are in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Mr. Adam Suib wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that synthetic 7-hydroxymitragynine derivatives should be restricted and not be included in the decision pertaining to lab tested natural kratom leaf powder.
- Ms. Allison Perrini wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance.
- Ms. Amy Bechtold wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance.
- Mr. Andrew Obeso wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that he is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Mr. Andrew Olson wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance.

- Mr. Andrew Olson wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance (duplicate submittal).
- Mr. Andrew Saunders wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance.
- Mr. Anthony Rosa wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that synthetic 7-hydroxymitragynine derivatives should be restricted and not be included in the decision pertaining to lab tested natural kratom leaf powder.
- Mr. Anthony Teel wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance.
- Mr. Anthony W. Rare wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that he is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Mr. Avery M. Lieberman wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance.
- Ms. Becky Hunter wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance.
- Mr. Ben Swanson wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance.
- Mr. Benjamin Johnson wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance.
- Mr. Brandon Foster wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance.
- Brothers Forever wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that they are in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Mr. Cameron Curran wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that he is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Ms. Carolyn Matthews wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that she is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Ms. Chelsea Sawyer wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance.
- Mr. Christopher Deaney wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance.
- Mr. Christopher Deaney wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance (duplicate submittal).
- Mr. Christopher Jake Damiano wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance.
- Mr. Christopher Whalley wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that he is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Ms. Crystal Cole wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance.
- Mr. Dan Horn wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that synthetic 7-hydroxymitragynine derivatives should be restricted and not be included in the decision pertaining to lab tested natural kratom leaf powder.
- Ms. Denise Brown wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance.
- Ms. Denise Geltman wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance.
- Ms. Dijon Evans wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance.
- Ms. Emilia Nye wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that she is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Mr. Gavin Colfer wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance.
- Ms. Heloine Mangerona Moreno wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that she is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Mr. Jaie Neubauer wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that he is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.

- Mr. James Zaininger wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that he is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Mr. Jason Cushnie wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that he is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Ms. Jennifer Gillis wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that she is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Ms. Jessica Lawless wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that she is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Mr. Johnathan Sadler wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance.
- Jordan wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that they are in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Jordan P. wrote in support of the proposed ordinance.
- Mr. Joseph Meehan wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that he is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Ms. Julie Nastasi wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that she is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Mr. Justin Dodge wrote in support of the proposed ordinance.
- Mr. Justin Matoesian wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that he is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Mr. Justin Wolf Co-Founder and CEO, New Brew, wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that a more effective approach is common-sense regulation, similar to the framework recently adopted in Riverside County and Fresno County.
- Ms. Kelli McCann wrote in support of the proposed ordinance.
- Mr. Kurt Meiswinkel wrote in support of the proposed ordinance.
- Mr. Larry D. Williams, Jr. wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that he is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Mr. Larry D. Williams, Jr. wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that he is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban (duplicate submittal).
- Mr. Liam Favret wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that he is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Ms. Lora Romney, International Plant & Herbal Alliance, wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and asks that the City consider advocating for smart regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Ms. Lorinda Woerne wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that she is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Ms. Madalyn Sklar wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that she is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Ms. Mark Kushinsky wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that he is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Ms. Megan Zamorano wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that she is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Mr. Michael Ruiz wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that he is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.

- Ms. Misty Brown wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance.
- Mr. Ryan Sherman, Legislative Consultant/Advocate, California Narcotic Officers' Association, wrote in support of prohibiting the sale/distribution of concentrated, synthetic 7-hydroxymitragynine (7-OH).
- Ms. Monica Yeaton wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that she is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Mr. Nicholas Gruschow wrote in support of the proposed ordinance.
- Ms. Pamela Desert wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that she is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Mr. Philip Maluso wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that he is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Ms. Rachel Sierra wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that she is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Ms. Rose Hall wrote in support of the proposed ordinance.
- Ms. Roslyn Murray wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that she is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Mr. Rupert Reyneke wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that he is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Mr. Ryan Haugen wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that he is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Ms. Sara Wall wrote in support of the proposed ordinance.
- Ms. Sarah Drenner wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that she is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Mr. Sean Zamorano wrote in support of the proposed ordinance.
- Smcgrew88 wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that they are in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Soneill2002 wrote in support of the proposed ordinance.
- Ms. Sonia Touri wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that she is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Mr. Steve Alfaro wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that he is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Mr. Steven Giurbino, Jr. wrote in support of the proposed ordinance.
- Mr. Tim Lunceford wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that he is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.
- Ms. Venus Usher wrote in support of the proposed ordinance.
- Mr. Victor Kuan wrote in opposition to the proposed ordinance and stated that he is in support of regulation rather than a complete ban.

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| Motion/Second: | Taylor/Barrios | |
| ROLL CALL VOTE: | Council Member Barrios | AYE |
| | Council Member Taylor | AYE |
| | Council Member Warren | AYE |
| | Mayor Pro Tem Torres | AYE |
| | Mayor Shawver | AYE |

Motion unanimously carried:

1. The City Clerk read the title of Ordinance No. 1166, entitled:

   **"AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STANTON, CALIFORNIA, ADDING CHAPTER 9.51 (PROHIBITION OF THE SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF KRATOM AND KRATOM PRODUCTS) TO TITLE 9 (PEACE, SAFETY AND MORALS) OF THE CITY OF STANTON MUNICIPAL CODE"**; and

2. The City Council adopted Ordinance No. 1166.

**8B. APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 1167 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STANTON AMENDING SECTION 20.400.330 OF THE STANTON MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS AND JUNIOR ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS AND FINDING THE ACTION TO BE STATUTORILY EXEMPT FROM CEQA UNDER PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE § 21080.17**

This Ordinance was introduced at the regular City Council meeting of November 25, 2025.

Staff report by Ms. Patricia A. Vazquez, City Clerk.

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| Motion/Second: | Warren/Torres | |
| ROLL CALL VOTE: | Council Member Barrios | AYE |
| | Council Member Taylor | AYE |
| | Council Member Warren | AYE |
| | Mayor Pro Tem Torres | AYE |
| | Mayor Shawver | AYE |

Motion unanimously carried:

1. The City Clerk read the title of Ordinance No. 1167, entitled:

   **"AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STANTON AMENDING SECTION 20.400.330 OF THE STANTON MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS AND JUNIOR ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS AND FINDING THE ACTION TO BE STATUTORILY EXEMPT FROM CEQA UNDER PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE § 21080.17"**; and

2. The City Council adopt Ordinance No. 1167.

**8C. CONSIDERATION OF A FORMAL POLICY FOR NAMING AND RENAMING CITY-OWNED PARKS AND PUBLIC FACILITIES**

This item presents the proposed Facility Naming Policy (Administrative Regulation No. V-5-7) for City Council consideration and adoption. The policy establishes a consistent, transparent process for naming or renaming City-owned parks and public facilities, reflecting Stanton's community values and prior Council direction.

Staff report by Ms. Zenia Bobadilla, Community Services Director.

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| Motion/Second: | Warren/Barrios | |
| ROLL CALL VOTE: | Council Member Barrios | AYE |
| | Council Member Taylor | AYE |
| | Council Member Warren | AYE |
| | Mayor Pro Tem Torres | AYE |
| | Mayor Shawver | AYE |

Motion unanimously carried:

1. The City Council finds that this item is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Section 15378(b)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines; and

2. Adopted Administrative Regulation No. V-5-7, Facility Naming Policy.

## 9. NEW BUSINESS

## 9A. CONSIDERATION OF AN URGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 20.400.330 OF THE STANTON MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS AND JUNIOR ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS AND FINDING THAT THE ACTION IS STATUTORILY EXEMPT FROM CEQA UNDER PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE §21080.17

The proposed urgency ordinance will amend Section 20.400.330 of the Stanton Municipal Code to comply with recent changes to state law that impose new limits on local authority to regulate Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) and Junior Accessory Dwelling Units (JADUs). Except as otherwise noted, these new laws take effect on January 1, 2026. The Council previously held a public hearing for a similar ordinance that introduced the same code amendments to comply with new ADU legislation, however, if adopted, the Ordinance will not become effective until after January 1, 2026. If the City does not have a compliant ordinance in place on January 1, 2026 then its regulations become entirely null and void. The proposed urgency ordinance would become effective immediately after approval so staff is requesting the proposed urgency ordinance.

Staff report by Ms. Crystal Landavazo, Community & Economic Development Director.

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| Motion/Second: | Taylor/Torres | |
| ROLL CALL VOTE: | Council Member Barrios | AYE |
| | Council Member Taylor | AYE |
| | Council Member Warren | AYE |
| | Mayor Pro Tem Torres | AYE |
| | Mayor Shawver | AYE |

Motion unanimously carried:

1. The City Council waived full reading and adopted by title only Urgency Ordinance No. 1168, entitled:

   **"AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STANTON AMENDING SECTION 20.400.330 OF THE STANTON MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS AND JUNIOR ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS TO COMPLY WITH RECENT CHANGES IN STATE LAW, AND FINDING THE ACTION TO BE STATUTORILY EXEMPT FROM CEQA UNDER PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE § 21080.17"**; and

2. Finds that the adoption of the proposed Urgency Ordinance No. 1168 is statutorily exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Public Resources Code § 21080.17.

## 9B. PARTICIPATION IN 2026 CITY OF WESTMINSTER TET PARADE

As part of the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Adopted Operating Budget, the City Council allocated $800 for participation in the 2026 City of Westminster Tet Parade.

Staff report by Ms. Hannah Shin-Heydorn, City Manager.
Motion/Second: Warren/Barrios

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| ROLL CALL VOTE: | Council Member Barrios | AYE |
| | Council Member Taylor | AYE |
| | Council Member Warren | AYE |
| | Mayor Pro Tem Torres | AYE |
| | Mayor Shawver | AYE |

Motion unanimously carried:

1. The City Council finds that this item is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Section 15378(b)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines; and

2. Identified Council Member Warren as the City Council's liaison to work with staff on completing the application for the 2026 City of Westminster Tet Parade and directed staff to purchase City-branded items to support the City's participation in the parade. No additional funding is requested beyond the original allocated amount as memorialized in the FY 2025-26 Operating Budget.

## 9C. CONSIDERATION OF LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR ACTION ALLIANCE FOR THE HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS INCENTIVE PROGRAM (HHIP) ROUND 5 FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

The City Council has a long history of regional leadership in advancing solutions to address homelessness, demonstrated by its role in welcoming Orange County's first three Project Homekey developments, supporting and funding the Buena Park and Placentia Navigation Centers as well as the OC HOPE Center, and actively participating in the North Orange County Service Planning Area. Tonight, the Council will consider a new opportunity to build on that legacy by supporting a first-of-its-kind model designed to help individuals maintain their sobriety as they work toward housing stability and long-term community connection. Action Alliance proposes to purchase and operate an apartment building in Stanton, funded through CalOptima's Housing and Homelessness Incentive Program (HHIP) Round 5, to provide housing services that promote stability, recovery, and successful long-term tenancy.

Staff report by Ms. Hannah Shin-Heydorn, City Manager.

Presentation by Mr. Joe Melikan, Vice President of Operations, Action Alliance Foundation (AAF).

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| Motion/Second: | Shawver/Warren | |
| ROLL CALL VOTE: | Council Member Barrios | NO |
| | Council Member Taylor | AYE |
| | Council Member Warren | NO |
| | Mayor Pro Tem Torres | ABSTAIN |
| | Mayor Shawver | NO |

Motion failed.

~~1. City Council find that this item is not subject to California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Sections 15378(b)(5) (Organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment); and~~

~~2. Provide direction to staff.~~

**10. ORAL COMMUNICATION** None.

**11. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS** None.

**12. MAYOR/CHAIRMAN/COUNCIL/AGENCY/AUTHORITY INITIATED BUSINESS**

**12A. COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCIL/AGENCY/AUTHORITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Mayor Shawver reported on the success of the Annual Harry's Cafe Thanksgiving Dinner event, which was held on November 27, 2025, at the Harry's Café located on Katella Avenue and Dale Avenue, Stanton.

- Mayor Shawver reported on the success of the Friends of Families food drive through distribution event, which provided toys, diapers, clothing, and groceries to those in attendance, which was held at Stanton Central Park on December 6, 2025.

- Mayor Shawver reported on the upcoming annual toy give away event, which will be held on December 20, 2025.

**12B. COUNCIL/AGENCY/AUTHORITY INITIATED ITEMS FOR A FUTURE COUNCIL MEETING**

Council Member Warren requested to agendize discussion regarding City Council portraits and the Council's preferences for moving forward with a different portrait style.

**12C. COUNCIL/AGENCY/AUTHORITY INITIATED ITEMS FOR A FUTURE STUDY SESSION**

None.

## 12D. CITY COUNCIL INITIATED ITEM — DISCUSSION REGARDING OBSERVANCE OF CULTURAL HERITAGE DAYS

At the November 25, 2025, City Council meeting, Council Member Warren requested that this item be agendized for discussion. Council Member Warren is requesting to discuss observance of cultural heritage days by either proclamation and/or social media policy.

Presentation by Council Member Warren.

The City Council received consensus and directed staff to proceed with research and to bring this item back for City Council review at a future City Council meeting.

## 12E. RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING MAYOR PRO TEM DONALD TORRES

- Presentation of honors to Mayor Pro Tem Donald Torres by the City Council.
- The City Council expressed their gratitude to outgoing Mayor Pro Tem Donald Torres for his outstanding service to the Stanton community.
- Mayor Pro Tem Donald Torres expressed his gratitude to the City Council, city staff, and Stanton Community.

## 12F. REORGANIZATION OF CITY COUNCIL

Annually, the City Council elects a Mayor Pro Tem.

The City Clerk opened nominations for Mayor Pro Tem.

Mayor Shawver nominated Council Member Gary Taylor for the office of Mayor Pro Tem.

The City Clerk closed nominations for Mayor Pro Tem.

Council Member Gary Taylor was nominated for the office of Mayor Pro Tem.

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| Motion/Second: | Shawver/Warren | |
| ROLL CALL VOTE: | Council Member Barrios | AYE |
| | Council Member Taylor | ABSTAIN |
| | Council Member Warren | AYE |
| | Mayor Pro Tem Torres | AYE |
| | Mayor Shawver | AYE |

Motion carried:

Council Member Gary Taylor was elected as Mayor Pro Tem.

## 13. ITEMS FROM CITY ATTORNEY/AGENCY COUNSEL/AUTHORITY COUNSEL

None.

## 14. ITEMS FROM CITY MANAGER/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

None.

## 14A. ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

At this time the Orange County Fire Authority will provide the City Council with an update on their current operations.

Administrative Captain Danny Goodwin provided the City Council with an update on their current operations.

**15. ADJOURNMENT** Motion/Second: Shawver/
Motion carried at 9:05 p.m.

/s/ David J. Shawver
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MAYOR/CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

/s/ Patricia A. Vazquez
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CITY CLERK/SECRETARY