

## WALNUT CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Freedman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

C/Wu led the flag salute.

**ROLL CALL:**

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: M/Freedman, MPT/Cajulis, C/Law, C/Tragarz, C/Wu  
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

Also present: City Manager Weiner; Acting City Attorney Mann; Community Development Director Vasquez, Public Works Director Barcelo, Administrative Services Director Carlson; Community Services Director Bumia; Finance Manager Meza; Deputy Director of Community Development Guerra; Senior Management Analyst Munoz; Community Relations Officer Maio; Administrative Services/Human Resources Officer Ramos; Senior Management Analyst Markel; Admin Services Specialist Cortez and City Clerk De Dios.

**INVOCATION– NON-DENOMINATIONAL:** Rochelle Beams of St. Stephen Baptist Church provided the invocation.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

- **Water Awareness Month Proclamation**

Council presented a proclamation proclaiming the month of May 2025 as Water Awareness Month. Walnut Valley Water District Board Members Jerry Tang and Theresa Lee accepted the proclamation.

- **Diversity Month Proclamation**

Council presented a proclamation proclaiming the month of April 2025 as Celebrate Diversity Month. Council presented certificates of recognition to the following residents that were involved in the planning of Diversity Plaza: William G. Harrison, Elvonne Vance, Layla Abou-Taleb, and Mansfield Collins. Dr. Donna Hunter.

- **Pets of the Month – Charlie and Tommy**

M/Freedman and City Staff shared the video of Pets of the Month, Charlie and Tommy.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE CITY COUNCIL:**

Maya Alvarez-Galvan stated her concerns with the Mt. San Antonio College budget, expenses, and reduction of faculty.

Joshua Christ stated his concerns with the Mt. San Antonio College police force.

Mary Caldwell stated her concerns about the Brookside property not being maintained.

William Harrison stated his concerns with the maintenance of equestrian property and code enforcement.

**MINUTES:**

**1. Approval of the April 9, 2025 Joint City Council/Sheriff/Fire Meeting**

**MOTION ON ITEM 1**

*C/Wu made a motion to approve item 1; seconded by C/Law. Motion carried by the following vote:*

<b>AYES:</b>	<b>COUNCILMEMBERS:</b> <i>Cajulis, Freedman, Law, Tragarz, Wu</i>
<b>NOES:</b>	<b>COUNCILMEMBERS:</b> <i>None</i>
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	<b>COUNCILMEMBERS:</b> <i>None</i>
<b>ABSENT:</b>	<b>COUNCILMEMBERS:</b> <i>None</i>

**PUBLIC HEARINGS/ ORDINANCE:**     None.

**COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**2. Resolution No. 25-16 - A Resolution of the City of Walnut Allowing Certain Claims and Demands in the Amount of \$1,077,316.99 Demand No. 170044 through No. 170120, Both Inclusive Fiscal Year 2024-25**

**Recommendation:**     That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 25-16.

**3. Agreement for Vendor Services with Pyro Spectaculars, Inc. for \$42,000 for the 2025 Walnut Fourth of July Fireworks Show**

**Recommendation:**     That the City Council:

1. Approve the Agreement for Vendor Services with Pyro Spectaculars, Inc. in the amount of \$42,000 for the 2025 City Fireworks Show;
2. Authorize the City Manager to sign the contract on behalf of the City in substantially the form attached and in such final form as approved by the City Attorney; and

3. Authorize staff to issue a Purchase Order to Pyro Spectaculars, Inc. in the amount of \$42,000.

**4. Preparation of the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council:

1. Award a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) to Emergency Planning Consultants (EPC) to provide professional services to prepare a Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan; not to exceed an amount of \$140,000.00 without City Council authorization.
2. Approve the PSA beginning April 24, 2025, and expiring when the Project is deemed completed;
3. Authorize the City Manager to execute and administer the PSA in substantially the form attached, and in such final form as approved by the City Attorney; and
4. Appropriate \$90,000.00 from the General Fund to account 01-5000-6216 to fund the project to the end of the current Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (the remaining project costs will be included in the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget).

**5. Treasury & Investment Report - 1st Quarter FY 2024/2025**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council receive and file this report.

**6. Treasury & Investment Report - 2nd Quarter FY 2024/2025**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council receive and file this report.

**7. Athletic Field and Park Use Allocation Policy Update**

**Recommendation:** The Parks and Recreation Commission recommends that the City Council approve the Athletic Field and Park Use Allocation Policy as revised.

**8. Notice of Decision – April 16, 2025 Planning Commission Meeting**

**Recommendation:** That the City Council:

1. Receive and File the “Notice of Decision” by the Planning Commission at its April 16, 2025 Meeting for the following Item(s)/Project(s):
  - a) Site Plan Case & Architectural Review (SPC/AR) 2023-130.

**MOTION ON ITEMS 2-8**

***C/Wu made a motion to approve items 2-8; seconded by MPT/Cajulis. Motion carried by the following vote:***

<b>AYES:</b>	<b>COUNCILMEMBERS:</b> <i>Cajulis, Freedman, Law, Tragarz, Wu</i>
<b>NOES:</b>	<b>COUNCILMEMBERS:</b> <i>None</i>
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	<b>COUNCILMEMBERS:</b> <i>None</i>
<b>ABSENT:</b>	<b>COUNCILMEMBERS:</b> <i>None</i>

**COUNCIL DISCUSSION/TRANSACTION ITEMS:** None scheduled.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS (COUNCIL MEMBERS AND STAFF):**

**A. Councilmembers' report on meetings attended at the expense of the local agency**

MPT/Cajulis reported on meetings he attended with Contract Cities and League of California Cities.

C/Wu reported he attended the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control meeting, and the April 17th Taste of Walnut debrief.

C/Law stated she attended the following events: Prop 36 event at ALADS, Contract Cities Board Meeting, and California Cities Legislative

C/Tragarz stated she and C/Law met with Senator Bob Archuleta to express their views on proposed housing bills.

M/Freedman invited everyone to attend the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast and also the shredding event. She stated that she emceed an art competition hosted by Congresswoman Sanchez and attended a school district liaison meeting and a Sanitation District meeting.

**B. Individual Members' comments and updates**

**COUNCIL LATE BUSINESS:** None scheduled.

**CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNS TO THE WALNUT HOUSING AUTHORITY**

**WALNUT HOUSING AUTHORITY MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Authority Chair Freedman called the meeting to order at 7:47 p.m.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR HOUSING AUTHORITY:**

There being no one present wishing to speak, it was unanimously moved by the Authority to close oral communications; motion carried.

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**AUTHORITY PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None scheduled.

**AUTHORITY CONSENT CALENDAR:**

9. Resolution No. 25-04 WHA - A Resolution of the Walnut Housing Authority Allowing Certain Claims and Demands in the Amount of \$60,603.55 Demand No. 100457 Through No. 100457, Both Inclusive Fiscal Year 2024-25

**Recommendation:** That the Authority adopt Resolution No. 25-04 WHA.

**MOTION ON ITEM 9**

*C/Wu made a motion to approve item 9; second by MPT/Cajulis. Motion carried by the following vote:*

**AYES:** COUNCILMEMBERS: *Cajulis, Freedman, Law, Tragarz, Wu*  
**NOES:** COUNCILMEMBERS: *None*  
**ABSTAIN:** COUNCILMEMBERS: *None*  
**ABSENT:** COUNCILMEMBERS: *None*

**AUTHORITY DISCUSSION/TRANSACTION ITEMS:** None scheduled.

**AUTHORITY LATE BUSINESS:** None scheduled.

**AUTHORITY ADJOURNS TO CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**CLOSED SESSION:** None scheduled.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, the City Council adjourned the regular meeting at 7:48 p.m.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 14th day of May 2025.

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Linda Freedman, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Teresa De Dios, City Clerk

PREPARED BY:

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Jackie Cortez, Administrative Services Specialist  
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