



McFARLAND CITY COUNCIL

*McFarland Successor Agency, McFarland Public Finance Authority,
McFarland Improvement Authority, McFarland Parking Authority*

Regular Meeting Notice and Agenda

Council Chambers
103 W. Sherwood Ave, McFarland, CA
Website: <https://www.mcfarlandcity.org/>

**Wednesday, February 25, 2026
6:00 PM**

SAUL AYON, *Mayor*
RICARDO CANO, *Vice Mayor*
MARTIN GUTIERREZ, *Council Member*
ANITA GONZALEZ, *Council Member*
MARÍA T. PÉREZ, *Council Member*

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INTERPRETATION: If you need an interpretation of your communications to the City Council into English, please contact the City Clerk Department at 661-792-3091 ext. 2135 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Saul Ayon

ROLL CALL:
Mayor/Chair, Saul Ayon

Vice Mayor/Vice-Chair, Ricardo Cano
Council Member/Board Member, Martin Gutierrez
Council Member/Board Member, Anita Gonzalez
Council Member/Board Member, María T. Pérez

INVOCATION: Tony Blanco

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chief Olmos

APPROVE AGENDA AS TO FORM

FEATURED PET:

Is a feature that highlights a pet available for adoption from the McFarland Animal Shelter.

PRESENTATIONS, INTRODUCTIONS AND AWARDS

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

CONSENT AGENDA: The Consent Agenda consists of items that in staff's opinion are routine and non-controversial. These items are approved in one motion unless a Council Member/ Board Member or Member from the Public requests to remove a particular item.

1. Approval of Expense Report in the Amount of \$614,960.17 from 1/31/2026 to 2/13/2026.
2. Approval of February 11, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes
3. APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND TRAINING EXPENSES EXCEEDING \$500.00 PER TRIP FOR CRIME SCENE TECHNICIAN JESSICA LOPEZ AND COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICER VIOLET OLLAGUE TO ATTEND THE 40-HOUR CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION FOR PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE SEMINAR AT THE RIVIERA RESORT AND SPA IN PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA FROM MAY 18-22, 2026
4. APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND TRAINING EXPENSES EXCEEDING \$500.00 PER TRIP FOR ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT III CATALINA NUNEZ TO ATTEND THE 24-HOUR EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT COURSE AT THE HOTEL WINTERS IN WINTERS, CALIFORNIA FROM MAY 4-6, 2026

PUBLIC HEARINGS

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

5. Approval of Resolution No. 2026-16 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCFARLAND, CALIFORNIA, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE DIGNIDAD (DIGNITY) ACT, H.R. 4393

PUBLIC COMMENT: Members of the public wishing to address the Council about any item not on the agenda may do so at this time. Speakers are limited to two minutes for each person. Fifteen minutes total will be allowed for any one subject. Please state your name and address for the record prior to making a presentation.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

REPORTS FROM CITY COUNCIL ON COMMITTEE/SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETINGS

- a. Kern Council of Governments (KCOG)
- b. Kern Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO)
- c. Delano Mosquito Abatement District (DMAD)
- d. San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (SVJ)

COUNCIL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS:

On their own initiative, Council Members may make a brief announcement or a brief report on their own activities. In addition, Council Members may ask a question of staff or the public for clarification on any matter, provide a reference to staff or other resources for information. Alternatively, request staff to report to the City Council at a later meeting concerning any matter. Furthermore, the City Council, or any member thereof, may take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda.

CLOSED SESSION

6. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
(Government Code §54956.9(d)(4))
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(4): one case
7. Closed Session: Public Employee Performance Evaluation (City Manager)

ADJOURNMENT

This is to certify this agenda was posted at McFarland City Hall on February 20, 2026.

Erika De La Cruz

Erika De La Cruz, City Clerk

Diego Viramontes

Diego Viramontes, City Manager

Next Meeting: Regular City Council March 11, 2026.

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