

CITY OF DANA POINT

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING



**TUESDAY
JUNE 2, 2026
6:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

Location: Dana Point Community Center Gym, 34052 Del Obispo, Dana Point, CA 92629

Next City Council Ordinance No. 26-05

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Dana Point, California, was called to order by Mayor Gabbard at 6:00 P.M. in the Dana Point Community Center Gym, 34052 Del Obispo, Dana Point.

ROLL CALL OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

John Gabbard, Mayor
Mike Frost, Mayor Pro Tem
Jamey M. Federico, Council Member
Matthew Pagano, Council Member
Michael Villar, Council Member

STAFF PRESENT: Kelly Reenders, City Manager; Jeff Rosaler, Assistant City Manager; Jennifer Farrell, Deputy City Attorney; Shayna Sharke, City Clerk; Sea Shelton, Director of Administrative Services; Captain Frank Gonzalez; Matthew Sinacori, Director of Public Works/City Engineer; Jonathan Lightfoot, Director of Community Development; Garrett Wank, Associate Planner; Matthew Kunk, Deputy Public Works Director; Kurth Nelson, Planning Manager; Brandy Boka, Senior Civil Engineer; Jaimie To, Economic Development & Housing Manager; Ryan Haworth, Deputy City Clerk.

CLOSED SESSION

None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Pagano.

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Youth Board Presentation – Los Angelitos Orphanage

Mayor Gabbard and Dana Point Youth Board members Jack Louer, Gwen Holman, and Laura Jia presented a \$4,000 check to the Los Angelitos Orphanage as their end-of-year donation.

Certificate of Recognition – Kristen Nelson, R.H. Dana Principal

Mayor Gabbard presented a Certificate of Recognition to Kristen Nelson, Principal of R.H. Dana, in recognition of her retirement and her years of dedicated service and accomplishments.

READING OF ORDINANCE TITLES

City Clerk, Shayna Sharke, read one (1) Ordinance title.

CONSENT CALENDAR

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FEDERICO, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER VILLAR, THAT THE RECOMMENDATIONS BE ACCEPTED FOR ALL ITEMS ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Federico, Frost, Pagano, Villar, Gabbard

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

1. WAIVE THE READING OF ORDINANCES AND APPROVE READING BY TITLE ONLY

APPROVED THE READING BY TITLE ONLY OF ALL ORDINANCES AND THAT FURTHER READING OF SUCH ORDINANCES BE WAIVED.

2. STATE OF THE CITY - REGULAR MEETING MINUTES, APRIL 29, 2026

APPROVED THE MINUTES.

3. REGULAR MEETING MINUTES, MAY 5, 2026

APPROVED THE MINUTES.

4. PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES, APRIL 13, 2026

RECEIVED AND FILED THE MINUTES.

5. CLAIMS AND DEMANDS

RECEIVED AND FILED THE CLAIMS AND DEMANDS.

6. TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIVED AND FILED THE TREASURER'S REPORT FROM APRIL, 2026.

7. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING UPDATED SPEED LIMITS ON SEVERAL CITY ROADWAYS

HELD A SECOND READING AND ADOPTED **ORDINANCE 26-05** ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DANA POINT, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING DANA POINT MUNICIPAL CODE, CHAPTER 12.16.010, ESTABLISHING UPDATED SPEED LIMITS FOR PORTIONS OF PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY, NIGUEL ROAD AND SELVA ROAD IN THE CITY OF DANA POINT PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA VEHICLE CODE

8. CITY COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN POLICY (TRAFFIC CALMING POLICY)

RECEIVED AND FILED THE REPORT.

9. CALLING FOR A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 3, 2026 TO FILL THREE CITY COUNCIL SEATS FOR DISTRICTS 1, 2 AND 3

THE CITY COUNCIL:

1) ADOPTED RESOLUTION 26-06-02-01 ENTITLED:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DANA POINT, CALIFORNIA, CALLING FOR THE HOLDING OF A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2026 FOR THE ELECTION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AS REQUIRED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA RELATING TO GENERAL LAW CITIES; and

2) ADOPTED RESOLUTION 26-06-02-02 ENTITLED:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DANA POINT, CALIFORNIA, REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF ORANGE TO CONSOLIDATE A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 3, 2026 WITH THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE SAME DATE PURSUANT TO SECTION 10403 OF THE ELECTIONS CODE; and

3) ADOPTED RESOLUTION 26-06-02-03 ENTITLED:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DANA POINT, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE PERTAINING TO CANDIDATE'S STATEMENTS SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2026.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Matt Najera, coach of the Tsunami 12U Youth Baseball Team, had each player introduce themselves to the City Council, provided information about the team, and requested financial assistance for the team to attend a national tournament at Cooperstown All Star Village.

Trish Sweeney (Laguna Beach) voiced concerns regarding Providence Mission Hospital's planned closure of Laguna Beach's emergency room and the elimination of acute care services.

Jena Minnick-Bull (San Clemente) provided information regarding the South Coast Conservatory's 2026 Summer Festivals and invited the public and City Council to attend at Capistrano Valley High School.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

10. APPEAL OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S DECISION TO APPROVE COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT CDP25-0014 TO DEMOLISH AN EXISTING SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING AND CONSTRUCT A NEW 2,686 SQUARE FOOT, ONE-STORY, SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING WITH A 518 SQUARE FOOT, ATTACHED GARAGE, SPA, AIR CONDITIONING UNITS, AND ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPE AND HARDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS AT 33951 NAUTICUS ISLE

Garrett Wank, Associate Planner, and Jonathan Lightfoot, Director of Community Development, provided a Staff Report.

Mayor Gabbard opened the Public Hearing at 6:36 P.M.

Laurie Smith (Appellant) provided testimony in support of her appeal.

Scott Hudgins (Applicant's Representative) provided testimony in support of the project.

Laurie Smith (Appellant) provided a rebuttal in support of her appeal.

Mayor Gabbard closed the Public Hearing at 6:54 P.M.

Discussion ensued.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER VILLAR, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER PAGANO, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT **RESOLUTION 26-06-02-04** DENYING THE APPEAL AND UPHOLDING THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S DECISION TO APPROVE COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT CDP25-0014 ENTITLED:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DANA POINT, CALIFORNIA, DENYING THE APPEAL AND UPHOLDING THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S DECISION TO APPROVE COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT CDP25-0014 TO DEMOLISH AN EXISTING SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING AND CONSTRUCT A NEW 2,686 SQUARE FOOT, ONE-STORY, SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING WITH A 518 SQUARE FOOT, ATTACHED GARAGE, SPA, AIR

CONDITIONING UNITS, AND ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPE AND HARDSCAPE
IMPROVEMENTS AT 33951 NAUTICUS ISLE

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Federico, Frost, Pagano, Villar, Gabbard

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

11. VACANCY, RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION EFFORTS

Alton Spornick, Management Analyst, provided a Staff Report.

Mayor Gabbard opened the Public Hearing at 7:14 P.M.

There were no public comments.

Mayor Gabbard closed the Public Hearing at 7:14 P.M.

Brief discussion ensued.

THE CITY COUNCIL RECEIVED AND FILED THE REPORT.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

12. CITY COUNCIL POLICIES – COUNCIL MEETING TECHNOLOGY DISRUPTION AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Shayna Sharke, City Clerk, provided a Staff Report.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FEDERICO, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER VILLAR, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT CITY COUNCIL POLICIES NO. 120 AND 121 AND DELETE CITY COUNCIL POLICY 119.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Federico, Frost, Pagano, Villar, Gabbard

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

NEW BUSINESS

13. FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 (FY27) BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS, FY27 BUDGET CALENDAR, ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE FY27 APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT, AND ADOPTION OF A SALARY RESOLUTION

Sea Shelton, Director of Administrative Services, provided a Staff Report.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FEDERICO, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER PAGANO, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

- 1) APPROVE THE BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS OUTLINED IN THIS REPORT; and,
- 2) APPROVE THE FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 BUDGET CALENDAR; and
- 3) ADOPT **RESOLUTION 26-06-02-05** ENTITLED:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DANA POINT, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING THE APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-27; and

- 4) ADOPT **RESOLUTION 26-06-02-06** ENTITLED:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DANA POINT, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING SALARY RANGES FOR REPRESENTED AND NON-REPRESENTED CLASSIFICATIONS.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Federico, Frost, Pagano, Villar, Gabbard

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

COUNCIL REPORTS, INCLUDING CITY RELATED MEETINGS ATTENDED

Council Member Federico stated that he has turned in his list of meetings and had nothing to report.

Council Member Villar stated that he has turned in his list of meetings and commended Sea Shelton, Director of Administrative Services, for her work on the budget.

Council Member Pagano stated that he has turned in his list of meetings and had nothing to report.

Mayor Pro Tem Frost stated that he will turn in his list of meetings and thanked Captain Frank Gonzalez for his interactions with residents regarding the northern part of town.

Mayor Gabbard stated that he has turned in his list of meetings, spoke about his trip to Sorrento, Italy, where he met with the Extraordinary Commissioner, and mentioned upcoming events around Dana Point.

STAFF REPORTS

Kelly Reenders, City Manager, had nothing to report.

Jennifer Farrell, Deputy City Attorney, had nothing to report.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council at this session, Mayor Gabbard adjourned the meeting at 7:26 P.M. He announced that the next Regular Meeting of the City Council will be June 16, 2026 at 5:00 P.M. in the City Council Chamber located at 33282 Golden Lantern, Suite 210, Dana Point, California.

 for:
SHAYNA SHARKE, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AT THE MEETING OF JUNE 16, 2026.

Meetings attended since May 20, 2026

Mayor Gabbard

05/06/2026 SCAG Regional Conference - Palm Desert
05/07/2026 SCAG Regional Conference - Palm Desert
05/08/2026 SCAG Regional Conference - Palm Desert
05/07/2026 Pringle and Associates Reception - Palm Desert
05/21/2026 Meeting with Extraordinary Commissioner Rosalba Scialla - Sorrento
05/25/2026 Memorial Day Service at Pines Park
05/27/2026 OCCOG 2026 Annual Conference - Newport Beach
05/28/2026 OCCOG May Board Meeting - Irvine
05/28/2026 ULI for Sale Housing Local Product Council Presentation
05/28/2026 Library Advisory Board - Santa Ana
05/29/2026 Meeting with Supervisor Nguyen - Santa Ana
05/29/2026 Ribbon Cutting Ironhouse House Jujutsu
05/29/2026 Meeting with David Davidson and Prime Group Investors Regarding Strand Hotel
06/02/2026 Niguel Shores Men's Club Breakfast with Assembly Member Dixon

Mayor Pro Tem Frost

Council Member Pagano

05/24/2026 Memorial Day Event
06/01/2026 CASA BOD Meeting

Council Member Federico

05/06/2026 OCTA Exec Briefing
05/11/2026 OCTA Board
05/12/2026 Meeting with OCTA CEO
05/13/2026 Meeting with South Cove HOA Board
05/20/2026 ACC-OC Board
05/21/2026 OCTA Exec Briefing
05/26/2026 OCTA Board
06/01/2026 OCTA Executive committee

Council Member Michael Villar

05/19/2026 San Juan Hills HS Awards Night
05/29/2026 Palisade Elementary School Friday Flag Ceremony