

MINUTES - DRAFT

City of Orange

Orange City Council

May 26, 2026

The City Council of the City of Orange, California convened on Tuesday, May 26, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in a Regular Meeting in the Council Chamber, 300 E. Chapman Avenue, Orange, California.

6:00 PM REGULAR SESSION

1. OPENING/CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Slater called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

1.1 INVOCATION

Given by Orange Police Chaplain Pete Shambrook.

1.2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Councilmember Ana Gutierrez.

1.3 ROLL CALL

Present: Bilodeau, Barrios, Dumitru, Gutierrez, Tavoularis, Gyllenhammer, and Slater

Absent: None

1.4 PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Proclamation recognizing the 60th Anniversary of the Orange May Parade

Proclamation recognizing the 30th Anniversary of the Orange Plaza Rotary Car Show

Proclamation recognizing the 20th Anniversary of the Taste of Orange

1.5 ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, REORDERING TO THE AGENDA:

None

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Speakers:

Curt Peterson inquired about the notices of violation issued to Mills Act Contract properties that are not in compliance with program requirements.

Jacob (no last name given) commented on the impact of large corporations.

Doug Redding spoke regarding the GKN hazardous materials incident in Garden Grove and discussed the deployment of Orange CERT volunteers, highlighting their efforts in

supporting evacuation center operations.

Written Public Comments

Janice Brownfield submitted an email regarding potential uses for the City's remaining CalRecycle SB 1383 Local Assistance Formula Grant funds.

Dianna Sundell submitted an email in opposition of the Orange Hills development project.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

All items on the Consent Calendar are considered routine and are enacted by one motion approving the recommended action listed on the Agenda. Any member of the City Council, staff, or the public may request an item be removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion or separate action. Unless otherwise specified in the request to remove an item from the Consent Calendar, all items removed shall be considered immediately following action on the remaining items on the Consent Calendar.

3.1. Waive reading in full of all ordinances on the Agenda

ACTION: Approved.

3.2. Approval of minutes of the City of Orange City Council Regular Meeting held on April 28, 2026

ACTION: Approved minutes as presented.

3.3. Agreement with Belmont Estates Homeowners Association for installation of Flock cameras on City property

Speaker cards were submitted for Item 3.3; therefore, the item was removed from the Consent Calendar for separate consideration.

Public Speakers:

Jacob (no last name given) expressed concerns regarding privacy.

Evangeline Watkins spoke in opposition of approval.

Jared Segundo spoke in opposition of approval.

Jana Anderson spoke in opposition of approval, citing privacy concerns.

Written Public Comments

Kayla Asato submitted an email in opposition of approval.

The following submitted eComments in opposition of approval: Kelly Ribuffo and Ryan Johnson.

Staff responded to Council inquiries regarding the retention policy and privacy concerns associated with the program. Police Chief Jevic stated that the City is in compliance with applicable State laws and the City's adopted policy. He further confirmed that all information captured through the Flock system is owned and controlled by the Police Department.

ACTION: A motion was made by Mayor pro tem Bilodeau, seconded by Councilmember Dumitru, to approve the agreement between the City of Orange and Belmont Estates Homeowners Association, for the construction, installation,

maintenance, and operation of automatic license plate reader equipment within public right-of-way; and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute on behalf of the City. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Bilodeau, Dumitru, Tavoularis, Gyllenhammer, and Slater

Noes: Barrios, and Gutierrez

Absent: None

3.4. Agreement with Insight Public Sector, Inc. for Flock camera licenses, software, and services for the Police Department

Speaker cards were submitted for Item 3.4; therefore, the item was removed from the Consent Calendar for separate consideration.

Public Speakers:

Anne Cody spoke in opposition.

Mary Oberschlake spoke in opposition.

Patricia Cabada spoke in opposition.

Written Public Comments

Kayla Asato submitted an email in opposition.

Kelly Ribuffo submitted an eComment in opposition.

In addition, a recorded message was received in opposition by Bulmar Vicente.

During Council deliberation, Council discussed how Flock can be used as a tool to prevent and reduce crime. Staff stated that California law imposes strict requirements regarding the sharing of Flock information. Staff further noted that the Orange Police Department only shares information with other California law enforcement agencies.

A motion was made by Councilmember Bilodeau, seconded by Councilmember Gyllenhammer to:

1) Approve the two-year agreement with Insight Public Sector, Inc. in the amount of \$387,280, representing a service cost of \$377,280, plus a contingency of \$10,000, for Flock camera licenses, software, and services; and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute on behalf of the City.

2) Authorize the appropriation of \$193,640 from AB3229-COPS/State-Supplemental Law Enforcement Services (454) unreserved fund balance to:

454-4011-53202-251804 Annual Software License & Maintenance

ACTION: A substitute motion was made by Councilmember Barrios, seconded by Councilmember Gutierrez, to continue the item to the next Regular City Council meeting. The motion failed by the following vote:

Ayes: Barrios, and Gutierrez

Noes: Bilodeau, Dumitru, Tavoularis, Gyllenhammer, and Slater

Absent: None

Following the failed substitute motion, Mayor Slater called for the vote on the main motion.

ACTION: A motion was made by Mayor pro tem Bilodeau, seconded by Councilmember Gyllenhammer, to:

1) Approve the two-year agreement with Insight Public Sector, Inc. in the amount of \$387,280, representing a service cost of \$377,280, plus a contingency of \$10,000, for Flock camera licenses, software, and services; and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute on behalf of the City.

2) Authorize the appropriation of \$193,640 from AB3229-COPS/State-Supplemental Law Enforcement Services (454) unreserved fund balance to:

454-4011-53202-251804 Annual Software License & Maintenance

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Bilodeau, Dumitru, Gutierrez, Tavoularis, Gyllenhammer, and Slater

Noes: Barrios

Absent: None

3.5. Approval of a Cooperative Agreement and adoption of a resolution designating City of Orange streets as County of Orange highways for off-site improvements related to the Workforce Reentry Center Project near West Metropolitan Drive and The City Drive South

ACTION: 1) Adopted Resolution No. 11686. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Orange declaring certain streets within the City of Orange to be County of Orange highways during construction of intersection improvements at West Metropolitan Drive and The City Drive South. 2) Approved the Cooperative Agreement with the County of Orange regarding the design, funding, and construction of traffic signal, intersection, and roadway improvements for the Workforce Reentry Center Project at West Metropolitan Drive and The City Drive South.

3.6. Second Amendment to Agreement with Bio Aquatics Lake Management LLC, for continued lake, pond, and stream maintenance services at Eisenhower Park

ACTION: Approved the Second Amendment to Agreement with Bio Aquatics Lake Management LLC in the amount of \$42,020 for continued lake, pond, and stream maintenance services at Eisenhower Park for Fiscal Year 2026-27; and authorized the City Manager and City Clerk to execute on behalf of the City.

3.7. Accept the FY26 Beverage Container Grant from the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery and appropriate unspent grant balances received in prior fiscal years

ACTION: 1) Accepted into the City's revenue budget \$34,712 in grant funds from California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery to State Grant Funds (499):

499-5301-43201-265088 State Grant Funds Beverage Container Grant FY26

2) Authorized the appropriation of \$34,712 to:

499-5301-55101-265088 State Grant Funds Beverage Container Grant FY26

3) Authorized the appropriation of \$34,798 to:

601-5301-55101-255088 State Grant Funds Beverage Container Grant FY25

4) Authorized the appropriation of \$32,412 to:

100-5001-55999-255041 Other Prof/Tech. Serv. SB 1383 Local Assistance FY23

3.8. Approval of plans and specifications for Community Development Block Grant Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Americans with Disabilities Act Wheelchair Access Ramp Replacement and authorization to advertise for bids; and finding of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption

ACTION: 1) Approved the plans and specifications and authorize advertising for Bid No. 25-26.19 (SP-4330). 2) Found that the proposed project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per State CEQA Guidelines 15301 (Class 1(c) - Existing Facilities).

3.9. Approval of plans and specifications for Community Development Block Grant Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Street Rehabilitation and authorization to advertise for bids; and finding of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption

ACTION: 1) Approved the plans and specifications and authorize advertising for Bid No. 25-26.20 (SP-4329), Community Development Block Grant Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Street Rehabilitation. 2) Found that the proposed project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per State CEQA Guidelines 15301 (Class 1(c) - Existing Facilities).

3.10. Third amendment to Contract with Tunnelworks Services, Inc. for sewer line cleaning, video inspection, and emergency response services

ACTION: Approved the third amendment with Tunnelworks Services, Inc. in the amount of \$378,039 for sewer line cleaning, video inspection, and emergency response services; and authorized the Mayor and City Clerk to execute on behalf of the City.

3.11. Authorize purchase of replacement computers from CPAC, Inc.

A speaker card was submitted for Item 3.11; therefore, the item was removed from the Consent Calendar for separate consideration.

Public Speaker:

Curt Peterson inquired whether the project had been competitively bid and questioned the necessity of the purchase at this time.

During Council discussion, staff stated that the purchase had been deferred for three years and that the oldest computers would be replaced first.

ACTION: A motion was made by Mayor pro tem Bilodeau, seconded by Councilmember Barrios, to approve the purchase of laptop and table computers from CPAC, Inc. for \$122,812.42. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Bilodeau, Barrios, Dumitru, Gutierrez, Tavoularis, Gyllenhammer, and Slater

Noes: None

Absent: None

3.12. Authorize an increase to an existing purchase order for safety gear and equipment supporting Fire Operations and the Emergency Medical Transport Program

Item 3.12 was removed from the Consent Calendar for separate consideration by Councilmember Gyllenhammer.

In response to Council's inquiry regarding the increase in the purchase order amount, staff confirmed that the increase is intended to support additional ambulance operators.

ACTION: A motion was made by Mayor pro tem Bilodeau, seconded by Councilmember Barrios, to approve an increase to a blanket purchase order for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$218,500 with LineGear Fire & Rescue Equipment for safety gear and equipment. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Bilodeau, Barrios, Dumitru, Gutierrez, Tavoularis, Gyllenhammer, and Slater

Noes: None

Absent: None

3.13. Approval of the Santiago Creek Commission's proposed Santiago Creek Strategic Plan implementation strategy

Entered into the record: a revised Implementation Strategy with the correct projects listed for the Historical, Cultural, and Archeological subcommittee; Plan Project No. 3.1 listed under the Ecological Preservation and Restoration subcommittee; and Plan Project No. 3.11 listed under the Recreational Enhancement and Safety subcommittee.

Written Public Comments

The following submitted eComments in support: Adrienne Gladson and Jack Comer.

ACTION: Approved the Santiago Creek Commission's proposed Santiago Creek Strategic Plan implementation strategy.

3.14. Consideration of resolutions pertaining to the November 3, 2026, General Municipal Election

ACTION: 1) Adopted Resolution No. 11669. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Orange calling and giving notice 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.

2) Adopted Resolution No. 11671. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Orange adopting regulations for candidates for elective office pertaining to candidates' statements submitted to the voters at an election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026.

3) Adopted Resolution No. 11673. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Orange requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County of Orange to consolidate a General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, with the Statewide General Election to be held on the same date pursuant to Elections Code Section 10403.

Approval of the Consent Calendar

Items 3.3, 3.4, 3.11, and 3.12 were removed from the Consent Calendar and heard separately. All other items were approved as recommended.

A motion was made by Councilmember Tavoularis, seconded by Mayor pro tem Bilodeau, to approve the Consent Calendar as recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Bilodeau, Barrios, Dumitru, Gutierrez, Tavoularis, Gyllenhammer, and Slater
Noes: None
Absent: None

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

4. REPORTS FROM MAYOR SLATER

Mayor Slater announced current vacancies on various Boards, Commissions, and Committees. He also invited Fire Chief Velasco to provide a brief report on the hazardous materials incident in Garden Grove. Additionally, Mayor Slater commented that the 2026 Point-in-Time Count may not accurately reflect the level of homelessness encountered by the Orange Police Department during its daily operations.

5. REPORTS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

Mayor pro tem Bilodeau announced the upcoming primary election and voting opportunities available.

6. AB 1234 REPORTS

None

7. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS

7.1. Appointment to the Audit Advisory Committee

A motion was made by Councilmember Gutierrez, seconded by Councilmember Barrios, to confirm Mayor Slater's recommendation to appoint Robert Paul to the Audit Advisory Committee for a two-year term ending on June 30, 2028. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Bilodeau, Barrios, Dumitru, Gutierrez, Tavoularis, Gyllenhammer, and Slater
Noes: None
Absent: None

8. REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER

None

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

9.1. Public Hearing to consider an amendment to the City's Master Fee Schedule establishing an annual fee and fines for the vacant property registration program

A motion was made by Councilmember Dumitru, seconded by Mayor pro tem Bilodeau, to continue the Public Hearing to the June 9, 2026, Regular City Council Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Bilodeau, Barrios, Dumitru, Gutierrez, Tavoularis, Gyllenhammer, and Slater

Noes: None

Absent: None

9.2. Public Hearing to consider a proposal to redevelop a commercial property with 71 three-story single-family small lot homes at 2375 N. Tustin Street, the Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance No. 06-26 approving Zone Change No. ZC25-0002, and adoption of Mitigated Negative Declaration No. ENV25-0001 and associated Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program

Senior Planner Monique Schwartz presented the staff report utilizing a PowerPoint presentation.

Mayor Slater opened the Public Hearing at 7:48 p.m.

Public Speakers:

Reggie Mundekis spoke in support.

Cynthia Hesketh spoke in opposition.

Jourdan Clark spoke in opposition.

Dan Baldwin spoke in opposition as submitted.

Lisa Ackerman Baldwin spoke in opposition as submitted.

Adrienne Gladson spoke in opposition.

Kathleen Clark spoke in opposition.

Mayor Slater closed the Public Hearing at 8:08 p.m.

Chad Brown, applicant, presented a PowerPoint in support of the project and responded to Council questions regarding landscaping, garages, and the project's anticipated fiscal benefits.

During Council deliberations, staff confirmed that the project complies with the City's Small Lot Ordinance and that the property owner had been unsuccessful in attracting a business tenant to occupy the existing building. Staff also noted that the proposed zone change is associated with the project.

The applicant further stated a willingness to voluntarily participate in future improvements to Tustin Street once a specific plan has been established.

A motion was made by Mayor pro tem Bilodeau, seconded by Mayor Slater, to:

1) Adopt Resolution No. 11685. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Orange adopting Mitigated Negative Declaration No. ENV25-0001 and associated Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, and approving General Plan Amendment No. GPA25-0003, Tentative Tract Map No. TTM25-0001, Major Site Plan No. MJSP25-0002, and Administrative Design Review No. ADR25-0018 for the redevelopment of a vacant commercial site with 71, three-story single-family small lot homes, open space recreation area, guest parking, and related site improvements on a 4.23-acre site located at 2375 N. Tustin Street.

2) Introduce and conduct First Reading of Ordinance No. 06-26. An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Orange approving Zone Change No. ZC25-0002 to change the zoning classification from Limited Business Tustin Redevelopment Project Area (C-TR) to Residential Multiple Family (R-3) on a 4.23-acre site located at 2375 N. Tustin Street.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Bilodeau, Barrios, Dumitru, Tavoularis, Gyllenhammer, and Slater

Noes: Gutierrez

Absent: None

RECESS: The City Council recessed at 9:03 p.m. and reconvened at 9:20 p.m. with all Members present.

9.3. Public Hearing to consider adoption of an urgency ordinance establishing a temporary moratorium on new massage establishments

Senior Code Compliance Officer Adam Davis presented the staff report utilizing a PowerPoint presentation.

Mayor Slater opened the Public Hearing at 9:24 p.m.; there being no speakers, Mayor Slater closed the Public Hearing at 9:24 p.m.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gutierrez, seconded by Councilmember Barrios, to adopt Ordinance No. 08-26 and the findings of urgency. An Urgency Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Orange establishing a temporary moratorium on massage establishments pending review and update to the City's Municipal Code and Zoning Code. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Bilodeau, Barrios, Dumitru, Gutierrez, Tavoularis, Gyllenhammer, and Slater

Noes: None

Absent: None

9.4. Continued Public Hearing to consider the Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance No. 07-26 to update regulations for Residential Care Facilities and Daycare Homes to ensure consistency with State Law and finding of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption (Continued from May 12, 2026)

Associate Planner Arlen Beck presented the staff report utilizing a PowerPoint presentation.

Mayor Slater opened the Public Hearing at 9:31 p.m.; there being no speakers, Mayor Slater closed the Public Hearing at 9:31 p.m.

A motion was made by Mayor Slater, seconded by Councilmember Dumitru, to:

1) Introduce and conduct First Reading of Ordinance No. 07-26. An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Orange amending Title 17 of the Orange Municipal Code to comply with State law regarding Residential Care Facilities (Health and Safety Code Sections 1267.16 and 1500-1569.889).

2) Find the ordinance categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15061(b)(3).

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Bilodeau, Barrios, Dumitru, Gutierrez, Tavoularis, Gyllenhammer, and Slater

Noes: None

Absent: None

10. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

10.1. Fiscal Year 2026-2027 City of Orange Preliminary Budget and Five-Year Capital Improvement Program

Finance Director Trang Nguyen and Assistant Finance Director Michelle Kresan presented the staff report utilizing a PowerPoint presentation.

During Council discussion, questions were raised regarding the vacancy rate and full-time equivalent (FTE) positions.

Council directed staff to evaluate the vacancy rate and incorporate it into the development of the FY 2026-27 budget.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gutierrez, seconded by Councilmember Dumitru, to:

1) Review and affirm the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Preliminary Citywide Budget, following the two budget study sessions on March 24 and April 14, for all funds consisting of total revenues of \$292.9 million and total expenditures of \$317.3 million, including transfers.

a. General Fund revenues totaling \$171.2 million and expenditures totaling \$170.8 million;

b. Staffing for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 at 708.567 budgeted FTEs; and

c. Five-Year Capital Improvement Program.

2) Direct staff to return in June, for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 budget adoption.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Bilodeau, Barrios, Dumitru, Gutierrez, Tavoularis, and Slater

Noes: Gyllenhammer

Absent: None

(Item 11.1 re-ordered to be heard before Item 10.2.)

11.1. Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance No. 05-26 amending the Orange Municipal Code relating to the Tobacco Retailer Permit program regulations

Code Compliance Manager Rafael Perez provided a brief overview of the proposed updates to the existing ordinance.

Public Speakers:

Jaime Rojas spoke in support of the proposed updates.

Moe Abuelayyan spoke in opposition to a full vape ban.

Liliana Padilla thanked Council for reconsidering current provisions in the ordinance that negatively impact local businesses.

Bryan Lam spoke in support of the proposed updates.

A motion was made by Councilmember Barrios, seconded by Councilmember Dumitru, to Introduce and conduct First Reading of Ordinance No. 05-26. An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Orange amending Chapter 5.100 of the Orange Municipal Code to eliminate certain restrictions on the retail sale of tobacco and tobacco products and provide clarification on the transferability of Tobacco Retailer Permits. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Bilodeau, Barrios, Dumitru, Gutierrez, Tavoularis, Gyllenhammer, and Slater

Noes: None

Absent: None

10.2. Review and discuss draft resolutions and ordinance documents relating to a proposed 1¢ Sales Tax Measure, Transient Occupancy Tax Measure, and The Contract with Orange

Mayor Slater presented the draft resolutions and ordinances related to the proposed one-cent sales tax measure, Transient Occupancy Tax measure, and The Contract with Orange, and suggested that the Council consider each item separately.

During Council discussion, members requested that staff revise Section 3.23.140 of the proposed sales tax ordinance regarding the Independent Oversight Committee to specify that members appointed by each City Councilmember must reside within the same voting district as the appointing Councilmember.

Council also discussed the possibility of setting aside a portion of the potential sales tax revenue to establish a catastrophic emergency fund for residents.

Public Speaker:

Adrienne Gladson questioned the purpose of The Contract with Orange.

Written Public Comment

Leslie Manderscheid submitted an eComment in support of discussing the items; however she thought the items should have been listed as separate discussion items on the agenda.

A motion was made by Councilmember Barrios, seconded by Councilmember Dumitru, to adopt Resolution No. 11670 placing a one-cent sales tax measure until ended by voters on the November 3, 2026, ballot.

A substitute motion was made by Mayor Slater, seconded by Councilmember Tavoularis, to adopt Resolution No. 11670 placing a one-cent sales tax expiring after 10 years on the November 3, 2026, ballot. The motion failed by the following vote:

Ayes: Dumitru, Gutierrez, Tavoularis, and Slater

Noes: Bilodeau, Barrios, and Gyllenhammer

Absent: None

Following the failed substitute motion, Mayor Slater called for the vote on the main motion.

Prior to the vote, Councilmember Tavoularis stated she could not support the proposed sales tax measure with a term "until ended by voters." The Council discussed alternative sunset provisions, including a 15-year term.

A motion was made by Councilmember Barrios, seconded by Councilmember Dumitru, to adopt Resolution No. 11670 placing a one cent sales tax until ended by voters on the November 3, 2026, ballot. The motion failed by the following vote:

Ayes: Barrios, and Dumitru

Noes: Bilodeau, Gutierrez, Tavoularis, Gyllenhammer, and Slater

Absent: None

A motion was made by Councilmember Dumitru, seconded by Councilmember Barrios, to adopt Resolution No. 11670 placing a one-cent sales tax expiring after 12 years on the November 3, 2026, ballot. The motion failed by the following vote:

Ayes: Barrios, Dumitru, Gutierrez, and Slater

Noes: Bilodeau, Tavoularis, and Gyllenhammer

Absent: None

A motion was made by Councilmember Gutierrez, seconded by Councilmember Barrios, to continue the proposed sales tax measure and related documents (Resolution Nos. 11670 and 11672) to the next Council meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Bilodeau, Barrios, Gutierrez, Tavoularis, and Slater

Noes: Dumitru, and Gyllenhammer

Absent: None

Council considered Resolution No. 11690 relating to a proposed Transient Occupancy Tax measure. During discussion, Council members considered the potential for increasing the number of Short-Term Rental permits, particularly in anticipation of increased visitor demand associated with the FIFA World Cup and Olympic Games.

A motion was made by Councilmember Barrios, seconded by Councilmember Tavoularis, to adopt Resolution No. 11690 adding a Transient Occupancy Tax measure on the November 3, 2026, ballot increasing the tax rate from 10% to 14% for hotels with 11 or more rooms. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Barrios, Gutierrez, Tavoularis, Gyllenhammer, and Slater

Noes: Bilodeau, and Dumitru

Absent: None

Council briefly discussed the individuals who would be authorized to prepare and submit written arguments in favor of the measure.

A motion was made by Mayor Slater, seconded by Councilmember Barrios, to adopt Resolution No. 11691 authorizing Mayor Slater and Councilmember Barrios to file written arguments in favor of the measure. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Orange setting priorities for filing written arguments regarding a City Measure and directing the City Attorney to prepare an impartial analysis for the measure to be submitted to the voters at the General Municipal Election held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Barrios, Gutierrez, Tavoularis, Gyllenhammer, and Slater
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: Bilodeau, and Dumitru

A motion was made by Councilmember Barrios, seconded by Councilmember Gutierrez, to adopt Resolution No. 11674. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Orange providing for the filing of rebuttal arguments for City Measures submitted at Municipal Elections. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Barrios, Gutierrez, Tavoularis, Gyllenhammer, and Slater
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: Bilodeau, and Dumitru

Mayor Slater provided a brief overview of Resolution No. 11689, adopting The Contract with Orange and reaffirming the City's commitment to the responsible stewardship of public funds.

Council discussed deferring further consideration of the resolution until the proposed sales tax measure returns for Council consideration.

A motion was made by Councilmember Dumitru, seconded by Councilmember Barrios, to continue Resolution No. 11689 adopting The Contract with Orange until the next Council meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Bilodeau, Barrios, Dumitru, Gutierrez, Tavoularis, and Slater
Noes: Gyllenhammer
Absent: None

10.3. Vehicle Incentive Program Discussion

Deputy City Manager Jack Morgan presented a brief staff report and responded to Council inquiries regarding the inclusion of all dealerships in the program and the proposed ten-year term.

Written Public Comment

Leslie Manderscheid submitted an eComment in opposition.

A motion was made by Mayor Slater, seconded by Councilmember Barrios, to direct City staff to prepare an economic development subsidy report and schedule a public hearing to consider approval of the Vehicle Incentive Program, contingent upon voter approval of any future transactions and use tax increase. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Bilodeau, Barrios, Dumitru, Gutierrez, Tavoularis, and Slater
Noes: Gyllenhammer
Absent: None

10.4. Executive Management and Senior Management employees' classification, compensation, and terms of employment

A motion was made by Councilmember Gutierrez, seconded by Councilmember Gyllenhammer, to adopt Resolution No. 11688.

A substitute motion was made by Councilmember Dumitru, seconded by Councilmember Barrios, to continue the item to a date uncertain. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Bilodeau, Barrios, Dumitru, and Tavoularis

Noes: Gutierrez, Gyllenhammer, and Slater

Absent: None

10.5. Technology Disruption Policy to address disruption of telephonic or internet service during City Council meetings

Deputy City Clerk Jennifer Connally presented a brief staff report and noted that adoption of the policy is required to comply with the provisions of Senate Bill 707 (2025), which revised requirements under the Brown Act.

A motion was made by Councilmember Dumitru, seconded by Councilmember Gyllenhammer, to adopt Resolution No. 11684. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Orange adopting a Technology Disruption Policy for public meetings pursuant to Senate Bill 707 and the Ralph M. Brown Act. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Bilodeau, Barrios, Dumitru, Gutierrez, Tavoularis, Gyllenhammer, and Slater

Noes: None

Absent: None

11. LEGAL AFFAIRS**11.1. Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance No. 05-26 amending the Orange Municipal Code relating to the Tobacco Retailer Permit program regulations**

Item 11.1 was previously re-ordered to be heard after Item 10.1.

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:01 a.m. in Memory of Steve Ambriz on the anniversary of his passing.

The next Regular City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 9, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber, with Closed Session beginning at 5:00 p.m., if necessary.

PAMELA COLEMAN
CITY CLERK

DANIEL R. SLATER
MAYOR