

Palm Desert City Council, Successor Agency to the Palm Desert Redevelopment Agency, Housing Authority, and Board of Library Trustees

Special Meeting Minutes

December 16, 2025, 1:30 p.m.

Present: Councilmember Jan Harnik, Councilmember Gina Nestande, Mayor Evan Trubee, Councilmember Karina Quintanilla, Mayor Pro Tem Joe Pradetto

1. CALL TO ORDER

A Special Meeting of the Palm Desert City Council was called to order by Mayor Trubee on Tuesday, December 16, 2025, at 1:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber, City Hall, located at 73-510 Fred Waring Drive, Palm Desert, California.

2. ROLL CALL

3. ACTION CALENDAR

3.a CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FOR ACTION TO RESCIND CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2024-038 RELATED TO LGBTQ PRIDE MONTH COMMEMORATIONS AND AMENDING CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2018-09 RELATED TO DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION.

Richard Cannone, Assistant City Manager, provided a staff report and responded the City Council inquiries.

The following individuals spoke in support of proposal:

- Luann Thielke
- Michael
- Stacy Mills
- Suzy Hauser
- Brad Anderson
- James Allwhite
- Michael Keeley

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The following residents spoke in opposition to the proposal:

- Jacob Frick
- Greg Feis
- Ralph Perry
- Bekx Lorton
- John Taylor
- Raymond Lafleur
- Gary Michaels
- Jason Byors
- David Powell
- Kevin Duncliffe
- Debbie Green
- Melanie Guralnick
- Jorge Casales
- June Engblom
- Sheila Durkin
- Ira Ed
- Joanne Kleveland
- Mandy Calvano
- Violet Feath
- Carol Adney
- Judith Stone
- Seth Howell
- Anyse Smith
- Vicki Berg
- Nicholas Snow
- David Fletcher
- Paul Messink
- Ted Peck
- Tom Vogt
- Lynn Stott
- Emily Rubin
- Daniel Mosqueda
- Lex Ortega
- Kathy Webb
- David Burroughs
- Gillian Van Guilder
- Bill Holzhauer
- Janet Haire
- Alan Carvalho
- David Toltzman
- Debra Ann Mumm
- Eileen Lynch
- Denise Sahagun
- Jane Summer
- Scott Connelly
- Terry Applegate
- Cheryl
- Paulina Angel
- Rafael Encarnacion-Morrison
- Misty Howell
- David
- Mel England
- Eugene Williams
- Cherie Johnson
- Emily Vogt
- Armon
- Becki Robinson
- Sean Harrington
- Michael Stafford
- Stephen Nelson
- Lisa Blodgett
- Bobby Keatinge
- Douglas Stewart
- Christopher Caldwell
- Dave Eberwhin
- Brad Wald
- Andy Noriega
- Daniel Samakow
- Leila Namvar
- Emmy Lopez
- Kathleen Kelly
- Jen Martens
- Debra Vogler
- Isabella Gutierrez
- Molly
- Julie Jimenez
- Nathan Kempe
- David Weiss

Motion by: Mayor Pro Tem Pradetto

1. As requested, adopt a resolution amending Paragraph Six of City Council Resolution No. 2018-09, entitled: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM DESERT, CALIFORNIA, WELCOMING ALL WHO CHOOSE TO LIVE, WORK IN, OR VISIT OUR COMMUNITY AND AFFIRMING THE CITY OF PALM DESERT'S COMMITMENT TO UNITY, INCLUSION, AND SHARED COMMUNITY VALUES."
2. As requested, adopt a resolution rescinding City Council Resolution NO. 2024-038, entitled: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM DESERT, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING A POLICY RELATED TO LGBTQ PRIDE MONTH COMMEMORATIONS."

Motion Failed due to lack of a second.

Motion by: Councilmember Harnik

Seconded by: Councilmember Quintanilla

To take no action and make no changes to Resolution No. 2018-09 and Resolution No. 2024-038.

NOES (1): Councilmember Pradetto

Motion Carried (4 to 1)

4. ADJOURNMENT

5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Nance

Assistant City Clerk/Assistant Secretary

Anthony J. Mejia, MMC

City Clerk/Secretary