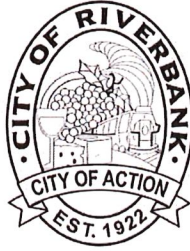


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CITY OF RIVERBANK

**Regular City Council and
Local Redevelopment Authority
Board Meetings**
Council Chambers
6707 Third Street, Suite B
Riverbank, CA 95367



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 09, 2025 – 6:00 P.M.

(THE AGENDA PACKET IS ONLINE AT [HTTP://WWW.RIVERBANK.ORG/AGENDACENTER](http://www.riverbank.org/agendacenter))

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** -Mayor / Chair Hernandez called the meeting to order at 6:00pm
- 2. FLAG SALUTE** –Vice Mayor Fosi led the pledge of allegiance.
- 3. INVOCATION** – Reverend Randy Richardson provided the Invocation.
- 4. ROLL CALL** – City Clerk Hernandez conducted Roll Call.

Members of the City Council / Local Redevelopment Authority Board present:

Council Member / Authority Member District 1 Luis Uribe
Council Member/ Authority Member District 3 John Pimentel
Council Member / Authority Member District 4 Stacy Call
Vice Mayor / Vice Chair District 2 Cindy Fosi
Mayor / Chair Rachel Hernandez

5. AGENDA CHANGES

No Agenda Changes.

6. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Any Council/Authority Member or Staff who has a direct Conflict of Interest on any scheduled agenda item to be considered is to declare their conflict at this time.

None Declared.

7. PRESENTATIONS (Informational only)

Item 7.1 **Presentation- California Health Collaborative- Tobacco Prevention Efforts in Riverbank** It is recommended that the City Council receive a presentation from David Cisneros - Program Coordinator and Jorge Yepez - Community Engagement Coordinator with California Health Collaborative, on a project focused in Riverbank called "Compromiso Adelante" – Tobacco Prevention.

Jorge Yepez and David Cisneros, the California Health Collaborative, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Tobacco prevention efforts in Riverbank with the project called Compromiso Adelante.

Karlie Gonzer, A concerned student and member of Protecting Health and Slamming Tobacco Fast Club at Riverbank High School. To express her concerns about the health of her peers. There are many tobacco retailers in our area selling products to high schoolers and middle schoolers, making them addicts at a very young age. Everyone is affected not just the users but the bystanders as well.

Hallie Van Deventer, Cambridge Academies spoke on the reality of Lung Cancer caused by smoking at a young age.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS (No action can be taken)

At this time, members of the public may comment on any item not appearing on the agenda, and within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council/LRA Board. Individual comments will be limited to a **maximum of 3 minutes (or as stated by the presiding Officer)** and time cannot be yielded to another person. Under State Law, matters presented during the public comment period cannot be discussed or acted upon.

Mayor Hernandez opened the Public Comment Period at 6:26 P.M.

Hallie Van Deventer, Cambridge Academies at Sierra House to thank the owners of the Lucky House restaurant Winnie and Hongwei Wang for the incredible Thanksgiving meal that they provided for the Sierra House. Introduced Zach whom is currently enrolled in the program.

Zachariah Pullman, resident of the Sierra House to extend an invitation to everyone, they will be hosting a free car wash on Friday December 12th from 10am – 2pm.

Olivia Arambula, Riverbank Chamber of Commerce to extend an invitation for upcoming events.

Missy Krieter, Riverbank resident to express her concern with the tot time program coming to an end.

Garry Pearson, Riverbank resident spoke in regards to the waste water treatment facility.

Daneiah Nasser, submitted a written comment (Exhibit A- Attached).

Mayor Hernandez closed the Public Comment Period at 6:40 P.M

9. CONSENT CALENDAR (No Obligation to Read Aloud)

All items listed on the Consent Calendar are to be acted upon by a single action of the City Council/LRA Board unless requested by an individual Council/Authority Member or member of the public for special consideration. Otherwise, the recommendation of staff will be accepted and acted upon by motion of the City Council/LRA Board.

Item 9.1 **Waive Readings.** All Readings of ordinances and resolutions, except by title, are waived.

Item 9.2 **Approval** of the City Council and Local Redevelopment Authority Board Minutes for November 25, 2025.

Item 9.3 **Acceptance** of the Callander Avenue Improvements Project and Authorization to File a Notice of Completion.

Item 9.4 **Resolution 2025-111** Adopting by Reference Fair Political Practices Commission Title 2, Division 6, California Code Sections 18730 and 18730.1; the 2025 Conflict of Interest Code List of Designated City Positions; and the Related Economic Interest Disclosure Categories

Item 9.5 **Resolution 2025-112** Approving of Change Order #2 by JB Anderson Land Use Planning and Proposal by MCR Engineering for Services Related to the Jacob Myers Park Trail Expansion Project.

There being no public comments, Mayor Hernandez brought the item back to City Council.

ACTION: *By motion moved and seconded (Uribe / Fosi 5/0) to approve Consent Calendar as presented.*

Motion carried by unanimous City Council and LRA Board roll call vote:

AYES: Uribe, Pimentel, Call, Fosi and Mayor Hernandez

NAYS: None / ABSENT: None / ABSTAINED: None

10. PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Notice for Item 10.1 was published on 11/26 in the Riverbank Newspaper.

Item 10.1 **Resolution Accepting the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Annual AB 1600 Report of System Development Fee Activity-**It is recommended that the City

Council adopt a Resolution accepting the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Annual AB 1600 Report of System Development Fee Activity.

Assistant City Manager Alcantor gave a comprehensive staff report and PowerPoint presentation on the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Annual AB 1600 Report of System Development Fee Activity.

City Council discussed item with staff.

Mayor Hernandez opened the public hearing at 6:47 P.M.

Mayor Hernandez Closed the public hearing at 6:47 P.M.

There being no further public comment Mayor Hernandez brought the item back to city council.

ACTION: By motion moved and seconded (Uribe / Fosi 5/0) to approve **Resolution 2025-113** accepting the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Annual AB 1600 Report of System Development Fee Activity.

Motion carried by unanimous City Council and LRA Board roll call vote:

AYES: Uribe, Pimentel, Call, Fosi and Mayor Hernandez

NAYS: None / ABSENT: None / ABSTAINED: None

11. NEW BUSINESS

Item 11.1 **Receive Direction from City Council Regarding the Next Steps for Pest Control Services for City-Owned Facilities.** It is recommended that the City Council receive an update on the Request for Proposals for Pest Control Services for City-Owned facilities and provide direction to staff regarding the next steps.

Director of Parks & Recreation Patton gave a comprehensive staff report and PowerPoint presentation on the request for proposals for Pest Control Services for City owned facilities.

City Council discussed item with staff.

Olivia Armabula, Riverbank resident, is in favor of having RFP go out again for more bids.

Randy Richardson, Riverbank resident in favor of having RFP go out again for more bids.

Mayor Hernandez brought the item back to City Council

DIRECTION: *By motion moved and seconded (Fosi / Uribe 4/1) to move forward with option 2 to re-issue the RFP for Pest Control Services.*

*Motion carried by unanimous City Council and LRA Board roll call vote:
AYES: Uribe, Pimentel, Fosi and Mayor Hernandez
NAYS: Call / ABSENT: None / ABSTAINED: None*

Item 11.2 **A Resolution Approving the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Riverbank and the Riverbank Mid-Management Employees Association for the Term of January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2028, Regarding the Salaries, Benefits, Hours, and Other Terms and Conditions of Employment-**It is recommended that the City Council adopt a Resolution approving the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Riverbank and the Riverbank Mid-Management Employees Association.

Assistant City Manager Alcantor gave a comprehensive staff report and PowerPoint presentation on the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Riverbank and the Riverbank Mid-Management Employees Association.

City Council discussed item with staff.

Olivia Arambula, Riverbank resident in favor of Item 11.2.

There being no further public comment Mayor Hernandez brought the item back to city council.

ACTION: *By motion moved and seconded (Fosi / Pimentel 5/0) to approve **Resolution 2025-114** approving the MOU between the City of Riverbank and Riverbank Mid-Management Employee Association for the Term of January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2028.*

*Motion carried by unanimous City Council and LRA Board roll call vote:
AYES: Uribe, Pimentel, Call, Fosi and Mayor Hernandez
NAYS: None / ABSENT: None / ABSTAINED: None*

12. COMMENTS/REPORTS

A brief report on notable attendance of a meeting or conference or other notable topics of City business shall be made. The Brown Act does not allow for discussion or action of items by the City Council/LRA Board during this time.

Item 12.1 Staff

Assistant City Manager Alcantor:

- *Our annual Riverbank Christmas Parade. Will take place this Saturday, December 13th, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in Downtown Riverbank. Following the conclusion of the parade, we will hold our Christmas tree lighting ceremony and Santa will be available for photos with families. In addition, the annual Downtown Christmas Craft Fair will be held the same day from 3:00pm - 8:00pm. The Craft Fair will feature a variety of local vendors, live entertainment, and special guest appearances from costumed princess characters to enhance the family friendly atmosphere.*
- *We also have our Riverbank Polar Bear Plunge that will take place on Wednesday, January 1st at the Riverbank Community Pool from 12:00pm to 2:00pm. This annual event invites participants to kick off the New Year with a refreshing swim and washing away the old year, beginning a new 2026. Participants will receive an event medal along with hot soup and hot chocolate following the plunge to help them warm up. Registration fee is \$5 and tickets may be purchased online in advance or at the gate on the day of the event.*
- *And then just a note of reminder city offices will be closing for our holidays beginning on Monday, December 22nd through January 2nd. So we will reopen on Monday, January 5, 2026.*

Item 12.2 Council/Authority Member

Vice Mayor Fosi:

- *Unfortunately, I will be out of town, out of the state for December, but I hope that anybody and everybody can come to enjoy the parade because I am really sorry that I am going to miss it and the craft show.*
- *I do wish everybody a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year, and please be safe and be nice to each other.*

Councilmember Uribe:

- *So, the last couple days I have been having some discussions with several parents, a few of them showed up today in discussions of the tot time program. A lot of the parent's voiced, you know, alternative ways to save the program, other options would be maybe doing a once a month pop up style. A lot of the parents even offered to volunteer to offset the cost. Some were willing to pay a higher fee if you kind of compare it locally here, it's very affordable. So even increasing it would still be affordable. I think as a Council those would be some of the best investments right, is for our youth is for the kids, those ages, three that are going to fall short of where the state programs are at and what's kind of offered out there. I would like to either bring it as a referral or if there is a majority that would support at least bringing it back to Council as an agenda item. So, we can have a further discussion as to, you know, do we want to continue tot time, amend it, you know, or just fully fund from General Fund? Just kind of discuss the options and see kind of what's out there.*

- *Thank you, Olivia, for being here. I would like to invite the entire community, I know it's a Riverbank Chamber event we are doing a White Elephant, the invite was for everybody whether you are a business or resident or none of the above, just come out. It's \$15 gift. Just kind of exchanging it. Meet some businesses, meet whoever, mingle with us, mingle with the chamber and kind of see the businesses that they support and all the work that they are doing. So, it will be at 5300 Claus Rd. building 18. That is tomorrow at 5:30pm.*
- *December 1st in preparation for our feasibility study kickoff meeting, I met with our Director of Public Works. Just kind an update on our wastewater treatment system, right? We got hit there pretty hard with that wet weather. So, I am looking forward to attending the meeting. It is going to be December 16th at 9:00am. Just kind of want to make sure that every option is kind of thoroughly evaluated there. Like the comment that was made on zoom, you know, including adding additional ponds. So, we want to make sure that everything is looked at fairly and appropriately.*
- *So next week, I will also be meeting with, been doing quarterly meetings with Aemetis getting updates out there as far as how their project is kind of moving forward plus all of the tenants that are coming and going. So as alot of, you know, just showing up in 2 or 3 months a lot of things kind of change. So, I'll be going out there getting some updates on how all of that's kind of progressing, and I'll kind of share that on my social media.*
- *I will be out of the State, actually out of the Country starting December 28th, I will be back on the January 4th, so I won't be doing the Polar Bear Plunge, but I'll be out there plunging in Honduras and Belize Mexico area. So happy holidays. Merry Christmas to everybody.*
- *2026 I am working on my first meet and greet so it will be in February. I want to do it at Hutchinson Park. We have been doing a lot of work with the trespassing there, just kind of informing residents around there. So, I want to do a meet and greet at Hutchinson Park. It will be in February. I would love to connect with the chief so we can get some fliers going and share that information. So, if you see some stuff that shouldn't be happening out there come chat with me about anything and everything. So happy holidays again. See you guys soon.*

Councilmember Pimentel:

- *Christmas feast no Veteran should go without a meal. If you know someone in need, call Shirley at (209) 281-5170 before December 15th.*
- *I too want to also thank Winnie and Lucky House for feeding the Sierra House for Thanksgiving that was a great thing for the community to come together and help one another.*
- *Toys for tots coming up on Saturday with Darlene. We look forward to having Santa out there and taking photos, I want to wish everyone a merry Christmas and be safe out there.*

Councilmember Call:

- I am going to piggyback a little bit on what you said about Sierra House. So, I have a lot of information on Sierra House for November and for year to date. For those who don't know, the gentleman who live at the Sierra House actually help maintain the day use facility. So, in November, I want to give you those stats for the use: 155 showers were taken, 166 meals were provided. Some of these numbers may be duplicated because people visit the Sierra House, the day use facility, more than once a week. There are 97 men and 59 women who used the showers. The meals for Thanksgiving with Lucky House: they provided 28 meals and served them. 32 meals were handed out additionally. Then for the whole year, year to date, we had 58 new folks admitted to the system, 53 of 58 of those people were experiencing homelessness, 34 were men and 24 were women. And then I do want to reinforce that we do have folks who still continue to use the facility since 2024. So, we do have people who still use it.*
- Last week, I attended my Project Resolve Committee meeting, and that was a lot of fun. But I was not made to be in law enforcement, I can tell you that right now. We went through a forced option simulator, a traffic stop, and a de-escalation moment with our probation department. So, for me, it was just the quick thinking that our law enforcement has to do. They have to make decisions based on the training that they have been provided. And some of it is really keeping themselves safe as well. So huge shout out to our law enforcement, because I had no idea what to do on the traffic stop. And I was standing there and the driver had a gun. I was on the passenger side and my passenger ran out of the car, and the only thing I could think of is, oh, I'm just going to shoot him while he's running away, but that is not what you do okay! So, it was really eye opening that you have to think that fast. So that was a lot of fun.*
- Aemetis, we attended, Councilmember Uribe and I attended their holiday luncheon today, and so I wanted to thank Jarrett and Drew for hosting us. I had an opportunity to connect with the CEO, Eric, which was awesome.*
- On 12/11 Stanislaus Latino Chamber is going to be out bell ringing with Salvation Army at Hobby Lobby on McHenry Avenue from 10:00am – 8:00pm last year, when I did the bell ringing, our group raised the most amount of money. I will not be there this Saturday, but it doesn't mean you can't make Stanislaus Latino Chamber one of the biggest providers for that event.*
- The Polar Plunge I am going to be freezing again this year, last year we jumped for Foster Love. This year I'm actually jumping for Children's Crisis Center of Stanislaus County. This is an organization that I hold near and dear to me. I actually learned to tie my shoes there, so I'm really excited to give back to them all these years later. I will be jumping with Karen again and then we actually added Brock Condit, who is Vice Chair of the Committee for Children's Crisis Center.*
- Holiday season is upon us and our roadways with the construction and additional shoppers. We are extra busy. So, I just want to remind everyone to be patient and aware of your surroundings and Merry Christmas.*

Item 12.3 Mayor/Chair

Mayor Hernandez:

- *Our Youth Council, just as the one who sits there with them every meeting is focusing on fundraising through the local businesses like Red Robin, Chipotle, Panda Express. So, keep an eye out on their social medias primarily for when they're going to be out there. Their hope is to fundraise for an end of school year youth social, so they kind of want to make it more of a social setting to introduce themselves to their peers and to other youth in the city.*
- *StanCOG, I keep mentioning it. It's really important for me to help them get to a place where they are back to normalcy in their business of providing funds for transportation here in the city and regionally. At this moment, we're going through the process of doing recruitment for a permanent Executive Director, and I'm sitting on the ad hoc committee to do that. So, we're going through some pre-interview process, some actual interview process and the like. So, there's a lot going on there, along with the normal business. And that meeting is tomorrow night.*
- *This Thursday I am hosting a Nonprofit Luncheon, I worked with staff closely to create a list of nonprofits that do provide services in the city and others who we would like to see here in the area is more casual and a way for us to break bread together and to learn. I believe you're going to join me Councilmember Call on Thursday. And so, we have about 40 nonprofits that have RSVP'd, and I think it'll be a great conversation. And we're excited to bring back some information around that.*
- *I want to say Happy Anniversary to Councilmember Call and Vice Mayor Fosi. One year ago, tomorrow, we were sworn in and I don't know, those things are very sentimental to me. So happy holidays everybody. The year flew by.*

13. CLOSED SESSION

The public will have a limit of **3 minutes** to comment on Closed Session item(s) as set forth on the agenda prior to the City Council/LRA Board recessing to Closed Session

Item 13.1 **LIABILITY CLAIMS**

(Pursuant to Govt. Code § 54961)

Claimant: Sydney Nightengale

Agency Claimed Against: City of Riverbank

*There being no public comment, Mayor Hernandez motion to closed Session
At 7:19 P.M.*

Reconvened from Closed Session at 7:29 P.M.

14. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Item 14.1 **Report from Item 13.1**
LIABILITY CLAIMS
(Pursuant to Govt. Code § 54961)
Claimant: Sydney Nightengale
Agency Claimed Against: City of Riverbank

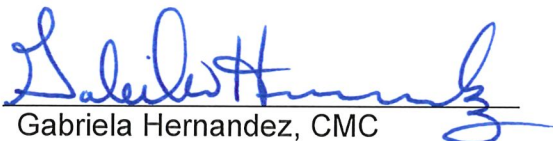
DIRECTION: *Claim was denied unanimously.*

15. ADJOURNMENT OF THE REGULAR MEETING

There being no further business, Mayor / Chair Hernandez adjourned the regular meeting at 7:29 P.M. to the next regular scheduled City Council / LRA Meeting of January 13, 2026.

ATTEST: (Adopted 01/13/2026)

APPROVED:



Gabriela Hernandez, CMC
City Clerk / LRA Recorder



Rachel Hernandez
Mayor/ Chair