

PIEDMONT CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting Minutes for Monday, June 15, 2026

A Regular Session of the Piedmont City Council was held on Monday, June 15, 2026, in the City Hall Council Chambers at 120 Vista Avenue. In accordance with Government Code Section 54954.2, the agenda for this meeting was posted for public inspection on June 11, 2026.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Andersen called the Regular Session meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Betsy Smegal Andersen, Vice Mayor Conna McCarthy, Councilmember Jennifer Long, Councilmember Lorrel Plimier, and Councilmember Tom Ramsey

Staff: City Administrator Rosanna Bayon Moore, City Attorney Deepa Sharma, Fire Chief Dave Brannigan, Police Chief Frederick Shavies, Public Works Director Daniel Gonzales, Interim Planning and Building Director Jeff Bond, Parks and Project Manager Nancy Kent, Finance Director Kiran Bawa, Recreation Director Chelle Putzer, and City Clerk Anna Brown

PUBLIC FORUM

There was no **Public Comment** received.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The following items were considered under one vote by the Council:

Approval of Minutes

Approval of the Minutes for the City Council meeting of May 18, 2026.

Mayor Andersen pulled this item from the consent calendar for staff and the Council to further review and make additional corrections.

Approval of the Resolution Regarding Procedural Details for the General Municipal Election

Approval of a Resolution Regarding Procedural Details for the General Municipal Election of November 3, 2026.

Approval of the Council Meeting Calendar for Fiscal Year 2026/2027

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Approval of a Modified Resolution Designating Projects for Senate Bill 1

Approval of a Modified Resolution Designating Projects for Senate Bill 1 (SB-1) Road Maintenance for Fiscal Year 2026-27 and Authorization for the Finance Director to Modify the Budget to Reflect Anticipated SB-1 Revenues (Recommended CEQA Action: Exempt under CEQA Guideline Section 15301).

Approval of the Continued Participation of the City of Piedmont in the Alameda County Urban County for Community Development Block Grant Funds

Approval of the Continued Participation of the City of Piedmont in the Alameda County Urban County for Community Development Block Grant Funds and Authorizing the Execution of the Cooperation Agreement with the County of Alameda Regarding Participation in the Alameda County for Community Development Block Grant.

Resolution No. 36-2026

RESOLVED that the City Council adopts Consent Calendar Items 2 to 5 as submitted.

Moved by McCarthy, Seconded by Long

Ayes: Andersen, McCarthy, Long, Plimier, and Ramsey

Noes: None

REGULAR AGENDA

The Council considered the following items of regular business:

**Public Hearing on
Proposed Budget
for Fiscal Year
2026/2027, Proposed
Levy of the
Municipal Services
Special Tax, and
Proposed Levy of
the Special
Municipal Sewer
Tax**

Finance Director Bawa presented a general review of the proposed fiscal year 2026/2027 budget and the City's long-term sustainability with the Council.

The Council discussed lowering the off-leash dog fines increases for consecutive offenses in a 24-month period. Police Chief Shavies explained the increases of the fine would only occur if the same dog owner makes the offense within the 24 months of their last offense. The 24 months and increase of fines aims to aid in improving behavior and not be punitive. The reset would occur 24 months from when the citation was given. The Council decided not to change the fine amounts.

There was no **Public Comment** received.

Resolution No. 37-2026

RESOLVED that the City Council adopts the Proposed Operating Budget in the amount of \$43,111,482.

Moved by McCarthy, Seconded by Long

Ayes: Andersen, McCarthy, Long, Plimier, and Ramsey

Noes: None

Resolution No. 38-2026

RESOLVED that the City Council adopts the Proposed 2026/2027 Other Funds Budget in the amount of \$21,295,825.

Moved by Long, Seconded by Plimier

Ayes: Andersen, McCarthy, Long, Plimier, and Ramsey

Noes: None

Resolution No. 39-2026

RESOLVED that the City Council approves the updated fees and charges as set forth in the Schedule of Fees and Charges

Moved by Ramsey, Seconded by McCarthy

Ayes: Andersen, McCarthy, Long, Plimier, and Ramsey

Noes: None

Resolution No. 40-2026

RESOLVED that the population percentage increase for the County of Alameda be used for computing the 2026-27 appropriation limit for the City of Piedmont.

Be It Further Resolved that the use of growth in the California Per Capita Personal Income be used for computing the appropriation limit for the City of Piedmont for 2026-27.

Be It Further Resolved that following public notice of the availability of the documentation used in the determination of the appropriation limit pursuant to Section 7910 of the Government Code and Article X111(B) of the California Constitution, as amended by Proposition 111 and SB 88, the City Council does hereby establish the appropriation limit for 2026-27 of \$36,613,146.

Moved by Plimier, Seconded by Ramsey

Ayes: Andersen, McCarthy, Long, Plimier, and Ramsey

Noes: None

Resolution No. 41-2026

WHEREAS, the City Council, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 20B of the City Code, has held a public hearing relating to the need to assess the Municipal Services Special Tax for the 2026-27 tax year commencing July 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, after fully considering all of the information and materials before it, determines in accordance with Section 20B.2 of the City Code that the cost of providing the general municipal services for the 2026-27 tax year exceeds the amount of funds generated through other revenue and income for such services; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further determines that a general Municipal Services Special Tax must be levied for the 2026-27 tax year in order to provide the municipal services required by the residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, this tax was supported by the March 2024 voter-approval renewal extending the term by 12 years and increasing the levy by 20%, effective July 1, 2025 and subsequent annual increases are capped at the lower of CPI or 4%; and

WHEREAS, the Bay Area (San Francisco-Oakland-Hayward) Consumer Price Index (CPI-U) for December 2025 increased by 3.0% from the previous 12 months (December 2024); and

WHEREAS, after reviewing the financial and tax data available, the City Council determines after applying the 3.0% CPI that the amount to be raised by the Municipal Services Special Tax is estimated at a total of \$3,324,840 and that the tax should be set at the rates set forth hereafter.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that based upon the foregoing findings and determinations the City Council does hereby levy a general Municipal Services Special Tax in the estimated amount of \$3,324,840 for the 2026-27 tax year pursuant to Chapter 20B of the City Code at the rates set forth hereafter:

Single Family Residence	
0 to 4,999 sq. ft.	\$753
5,000 to 9,999 sq. ft.	\$847
10,000 to 14,999 sq. ft.	\$978
15,000 to 20,000 sq. ft.	\$1,116
Over 20,000 sq. ft.	\$1,274

Commercial Properties
0 to 10,000 sq. ft. \$1,274
Over 10,000 sq. ft. \$1,911
Multi-Family Residence per unit \$522
Parcels Divided by Tax Code Area Line \$772
Moved by McCarthy, Seconded by Long
Ayes: Andersen, McCarthy, Long, Plimier, and Ramsey
Noes: None

Resolution No. 42-2026

WHEREAS, the City Council, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 20E.4 of the Piedmont Municipal Code, has held a public hearing relating to the need to assess the Special Municipal Sewer Tax for the 2026-27 tax year commencing July 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, after fully considering all of the information and materials before it, determines in accordance with Section 20E.2 of the City Code that the maximum amount to be raised by the Special Municipal Sewer Tax is \$3,311,000; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Section 20E.3, the tax for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 shall be set forth hereafter; and

WHEREAS, that based upon the foregoing findings and determinations, the City Council does hereby levy a Special Municipal Sewer Tax with an estimated revenue of \$3,311,000 for the 2026-27 tax year pursuant to Chapter 20E of the Piedmont Municipal Code at the rates set forth hereafter.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that based upon the foregoing findings and determinations the City Council does hereby levy a Special Municipal Sewer Tax with an estimated revenue of \$3,311,000 for the 2026-27 tax year pursuant to Chapter 20E of the City Code at the rates set forth hereafter:

Single Family Residence
0 to 4,999 sq. ft. \$736
5,000 to 9,999 sq. ft. \$840
10,000 to 14,999 sq. ft. \$969
15,000 to 20,000 sq. ft. \$1,129
Over 20,000 sq. ft. \$1,331

Commercial Properties
0 to 10,000 sq. ft. \$1,331
Over 10,000 sq. ft. \$1,836
Multi-Family Residence per unit \$612
Parcels Divided by Tax Code Area Line \$736

Moved by Long, Seconded by Plimier
Ayes: Andersen, McCarthy, Long, Plimier, and Ramsey
Noes: None

**Introduction and
First Reading of
Ordinance 792 N.S.**

City Administrator Bayon Moore introduced the ordinance to the Council. As instructed during the meeting of June 1, 2026, staff excluded a percentage increase of the real property conveyance tax so the Council could discuss and arrive at a consensus this meeting.

City Administrator Bayon Moore stated the City will know the final language of Taxpayers Protection Act currently being created by the state of California, and whether it will be on the November ballot, by the end of June. This act could cap or eliminate the City's conveyance tax. The Council decided to still pursue an increase and address the tax being eliminated if it happens.

The Council decided to set the percentage at 1.75% and reconsider the percentage based on the Taxpayers Protection Act. The Council discussed neighboring cities transfer tax rates, and the desirability to be aligned with other local jurisdictions, while at the same time being conscious of affordability issues occurring in the US. They also instructed staff to change the gendered language in the ordinance to be gender-inclusive.

There was no **Public Comment** received.

Resolution No. 43-2026

RESOLVED that the City Council approves the first reading of Ordinance 792 N.S., Amending Chapter 20, Article IV of the Piedmont City Code to increase the Real Property Conveyance Tax (RPCT) to 1.75%, subject to voter approval at the November 3, 2026 election with language amendments to make the ordinance gender neutral.

Moved by Ramsey, Seconded by McCarthy

Ayes: Andersen, McCarthy, Long, Plimier, and Ramsey

Noes: None

**Consideration of a
Fifth Amendment to
the City's
Agreement with
Coastland
Engineering LLP**

Public Works Director Gonzales explained that Coastland Engineering has been the City's engineering vendor for capital improvement projects and other large projects since 2011. They bring consistent high work quality and expertise to each project.

There was no **Public Comment** received.

Resolution No. 44-2026

RESOLVED that the City Council approves the proposed amendment to the City's agreement with Coastland Engineering LLP for additional design and construction services, on a time and materials basis, increasing the Contract Not-to-Exceed Amount by \$2,767,000, and approving an amended overall Contract Amount of \$5,867,497 and authorizes the City Administrator to execute related documents.

Moved by McCarthy, Seconded by Long

Ayes: Andersen, McCarthy, Long, Plimier, and Ramsey

Noes: None

Consideration of

Amendment to Consulting Services Agreement with ClientFirst Technology Consulting

City Administrator Bayon Moore explained that the City's contract with ClientFirst Technology Consulting expires June 30, 2026. The amendment will extend the contract by 12 months. ClientFirst has provided IT director and policy IT infrastructure services. The City has worked with ClientFirst for 11 years.

There was no **Public Comment** received.

Resolution No. 45-2026

RESOLVED that the City Council authorizes an amendment to the attached consulting services agreement with ClientFirst Technology Consulting for ongoing delivery of strategic IT services in FY 2026-27 in an amount not to exceed \$254,500, with revised Exhibits A & B, and authorize the City Administrator to execute a contract amendment as described.

Moved by Long, Seconded by Plimier

Ayes: Andersen, McCarthy, Long, Plimier, and Ramsey

Noes: None

Consideration of a Contract Amendment for a Six-Month Extension with Computer Courage

City Administrator Bayon Moore explained that the City's contract with Computer Courage expires June 30, 2026. Computer Courage provides complementary day-to-day IT services to ClientFirst Technology Consulting. There is a 3% increase to the fees in the contract. The City is in the process of creating an RFP for these services but needs more time to complete that process.

There was no **Public Comment** received.

Resolution No. 46-2026

RESOLVED, that the City Council approves an amendment to the City's agreement with Computer Courage for Information Technology (IT) Support Services for six months in the amount of \$197,780, for a total amount of \$622,605, and authorize the City Administrator to execute a contract amendment as described.

Moved by Long, Seconded by Plimier

Ayes: Andersen, McCarthy, Long, Plimier, and Ramsey

Noes: None

Consideration of Approval of a One Year Contract with All City Management Services for Crossing Guard Services

City Administrator Bayon Moore explained that the City has worked with All City Management Services (ACMS) for 27 years. ACMS had been the only crossing guard vendor for many years, but this recent Request for Proposals provided an opportunity to consider an additional vendor.

Police Chief Shavies and Public Works Director Gonzales explained that City staff are constantly evaluating staff and hearing comments as to whether to increase the number of cross guards.

There was no **Public Comment** received.

Resolution No. 47-2026

RESOLVED that the City Council approves the 2026-27 fiscal year contract with All City Management Services (ACMS) in an amount not to exceed \$165,524.00 to provide Crossing Guard Services for the City of Piedmont, following the recently completed Request for Proposals (RFP) process.

Moved by Long, Seconded by McCarthy

Ayes: Andersen, McCarthy, Long, Plimier, and Ramsey

Noes: None

Consideration of the Award of a Contract for the 2026/2027 Annual Sidewalk Shaving Project to Precision Concrete Cutting

Public Works Director Gonzales explained Precision Concrete Cutting is a preferred vendor by the City's insurance provider. Over 2,000 sidewalk offsets have been identified for shaving. With this contract, approximately a third of the City's sidewalks will have been shaved.

There was no **Public Comment** received.

Resolution No. 48-2026

RESOLVED that the City Council awards the Contract for the 2026-2027 Annual Sidewalk Shaving Project to Precision Concrete Cutting (PCC) in the amount of \$164,796; approves the overall estimated construction budget of \$181,276, which includes the construction cost and a 10% contingency; determines the project to be exempt pursuant to CEQA Guideline Section CEQA15301(c); and authorizes the City Administrator to execute project related documents.

Moved by Long, Seconded by Ramsey

Ayes: Andersen, McCarthy, Long, Plimier, and Ramsey

Noes: None

Consideration of the Purchase of a Replacement Mid-Sized Pickup Truck for the Public Works Department

Public Works Director Gonzales explained that the Public Works Department truck ceased to work sooner than expected. He noted that staff looked for electric vehicles, but none of the electric vehicles they examined proved to be as reliable or will have replacement parts as easily accessible in the future as the Ford F-150 staff is recommending.

There was no **Public Comment** received.

Resolution No. 49-2026

RESOLVED that the City Council approves the purchase of a replacement 4x4 Ford F-150 SuperCrew mid-sized pickup truck for the Public Works Department in the amount of \$68,917.

Moved by Long, Seconded by Ramsey

Ayes: Andersen, McCarthy, Long, Plimier, and Ramsey

Noes: None

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Andersen thanked all the staff members who made the Alameda Mayors' Conference dinner a success.

Mayor Andersen noted the nomination period for school board and Council members will open soon. City Clerk Brown announced the nomination period is July 13 through August 7. There are three City Council seats open and two seats for the Piedmont Board of Education.

Councilmember Plimier requested a future agenda item to discuss electric bike safety. She has witnessed several children ride electric bikes without safety gear and wants to address that situation in the context of public safety.

City Administrator Bayon Moore announced that the Grand Marshal for the July 4 parade will be Cora Wood.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Andersen closed the meeting at 7:56 p.m.