



City Council Meeting Recap

Wednesday, November 12, 2025

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ITEM NO.	A-1
TITLE	Recommendation to hold a Public Hearing and conduct the second reading, by title only, of Ordinance No. 2025-621, amending Title 15 of the Hawaiian Gardens Municipal Code, adopting by reference the 2025 California Building, Electrical, Mechanical, Plumbing, and Residential Codes.
SUMMARY	Ordinance No. 2025-2021, adopts the 2025 building code. Every three years, the California Building Standards Commission updates the California Building Standards Codes (Title 24, California Code of Regulations). The 2025 edition was published on July 1, 2025, and becomes effective statewide on January 1, 2026. The City of Hawaiian Gardens, as a local jurisdiction, is required to adopt these codes by reference, with any desired local amendments based on specific local conditions, before they take effect.
VOTE	This item passed unanimously.

ITEM NO.	B-2
TITLE	Recommendation to receive and file a report summarizing a meeting between City of Hawaiian Gardens staff and the Cerritos Sheriff's station regarding their recently implemented drone program.
SUMMARY	In October 2025, staff met with Captain Strong and members of the Cerritos Sheriff's Station to learn about their drone program, which has been operating for 7 months after an 8-month implementation period. The drones have specific use cases, such as search and rescue, explosive detection, disaster response, and other high-risk operations.
VOTE	This item passed unanimously.

ITEM NO.	B-3
TITLE	Recommendation to approve the waiving of rental fees to support the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Ball to be held at the C. Robert Lee Activity Center.
SUMMARY	The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 7243 will host its first VFW Ball in the City of Hawaiian Gardens. Supporting the VFW Ball provides an opportunity for the City of Hawaiian Gardens to honor local veterans and strengthen community relationships. Support from the city will be in the form of waiving the deposit and rental fees associated with the use of the meeting rooms at the C. Robert Lee Activity Center. The waiver of the rental and deposit fees will assist the VFW in

	covering other operational costs, allowing them to focus on creating a meaningful experience for attendees.
VOTE	This item passed unanimously.

ITEM NO.	B-4
TITLE	Recommendation to receive and file warrants processed during the period of October 11 to October 31, 2025.
SUMMARY	A detailed report for Accounts Payable (AP) provides a list of all payments presented by payment type and check number.
VOTE	This item passed unanimously.

ITEM NO.	B-5
TITLE	Recommendation to cancel the Regular City Council meetings and Public Housing Authority meetings of Wednesday, November 26, and December 24, 2025.
SUMMARY	The City Council and Public Housing Authority meetings of Wednesday, November 26, and December 24, 2025, are to be canceled and declared dark due to the holidays.
VOTE	This item passed unanimously.

ITEM NO.	C-1
TITLE	Recommendation to adopt Resolution No. 033-2025, approving, authorizing, and directing execution of a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement with the California Municipal Finance Authority.
SUMMARY	The Joint Powers Authority of the California Municipal Finance Authority is considering the award of a grant to a developer who will convert market-rate housing units into affordable units. The developer is proposing to convert the housing units at the Hawaiian Terrace Senior Apartments into affordable units at up to 80% of the LA County Adjusted Median Income.
VOTE	This item passed unanimously.

ITEM NO.	C-2
TITLE	Recommendation to review and approve the amended guidelines for the City's Youth and Adult Scholarship Program.
SUMMARY	The City of Hawaiian Gardens has updated its Scholarship Program to better support educational advancement for both youth and adult residents. The program aims to invest in the community's future by promoting education, community service, and lifelong learning. Recent changes simplify

	the requirements and expand eligibility, particularly for high school seniors. These updates reflect the city's continued commitment to educational support, community involvement, and inclusiveness.
VOTE	This item passed unanimously.

ITEM NO.	C-3
TITLE	Recommendation to accept the construction improvements by Sequel Contractors for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Arterial and Residential Street Rehabilitation, Project 112 (CDBG Project No. 602658-23); and authorize the City Clerk to file the Notice of Completion.
SUMMARY	On March 12, 2025, the City Council awarded the construction contract to the lowest responsive bidder, Sequel Contractors, for a total construction budget of \$1,373,182. The project was completed in October 2025. Three change orders were issued to Sequel Contractors to accommodate the wrapping of 31 utility boxes along Norwalk Boulevard and Carson Street, in addition to implementing further enhancements at the City Hall parking lot. The Project was completed on schedule and within budget with a final construction cost of \$1,351,990.13.
VOTE	This item passed unanimously.