



**AGENDA  
ORANGE COVE CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
Monday, November 20, 2023  
11:30 AM**

City of Orange Cove Council Chambers  
633 6<sup>th</sup> St.  
Orange Cove, CA 93646

- 1. CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME**
- 2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**
- 3. REGULAR BUSINESS**

3.a. **SUBJECT:** Consideration and necessary action on a resolution submitting to City Voters at the next Primary Election to be held March 5, 2024, a ballot measure relating to Ordinance No. 396 regarding the continuance of a Special Tax for Police and Fire Services in the City of Orange Cove.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve Resolution No. 2023-52, submitting to City Voters at the next Primary Election to be held March 5, 2024, a ballot measure relating to Ordinance No. 396 regarding the continuance of a Special Tax for Police and Fire Services in the City of Orange Cove.

3.b. **SUBJECT:** Consideration and necessary action on a resolution of the City Council of the City of Orange Cove calling and giving notice of the holding of a Primary Election to be held in said City on Tuesday March 5, 2024, for the Parcel Tax Ballet Measure of said City and requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno to consolidate and canvass the Primary Election to be held on

March 5, 2024 with the statewide general election to be held on that date pursuant to California Elections Code Section 10400 et seq.; to permit the County Clerk/Registrar of Voters of the County of Fresno to render specified services to the City of City of Orange Cove relating to the conduct of said Primary Election pursuant to California Elections Code Section 10002; and authorizing reimbursement funds to pay for said services.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve Resolution No. 2023-53, City Council of the City of Orange Cove calling and giving notice of the holding of a Primary Election to be held in said City on Tuesday March 5, 2024, for the Parcel Tax Ballet Measure of said City and requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno to consolidate and canvass the Primary Election to be held on March 5, 2024 with the statewide general election to be held on that date pursuant to California Elections Code Section 10400 et seq.; to permit the County Clerk/Registrar of Voters of the County of Fresno to render specified services to the City of City of Orange Cove relating to the conduct of said Primary Election pursuant to California Elections Code Section 10002; and authorizing reimbursement funds to pay for said services.

#### **4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*Notice(s) to the Public: This is the opportunity for any member of the public to address the City Council on any item over which the Council has jurisdiction. No action or discussion will be taken on any item not on the agenda. Issues raised will be referred to the City Manager for review. Members of the public shall limit their remarks to three (3) minutes.*

#### **5. ADJOURNMENT**

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**ADA Notice:** In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Clerk at (559) 626-4488 ext. 213. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the city to make arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting.

**Documents:** Any writings or documents provided to a majority of the City Council regarding any item on this agenda will be made available for public inspection at the front counter at City Hall, Orange Cove, CA during normal business hours. In addition, most documents are posted on City's website at [cityoforange Cove.com](http://cityoforange Cove.com).

## **STATEMENT ON RULES OF DECORUM AND ENFORCEMENT**

The Brown Act provides that members of the public have a right to attend public meetings, to provide public comment on action items and under the public forum section of the agenda, and to criticize the policies, procedures, or services of the city or of the acts or omissions of the city council. The Brown Act also provides that the City Council has the right to exclude all persons who willfully cause a disruption of a meeting so that it cannot be conducted in an orderly fashion.

During a meeting of the Orange Cove City Council, there is a need for civility and expedition in the carrying out of public business in order to ensure that the public has a full opportunity to be heard and that the Council has an opportunity to conduct business in an orderly manner. The following is provided to place everyone on notice of the rules of decorum and enforcement.

### **GENERAL RULES OF DECORUM**

While any meeting of the City Council is in session, the following rules of decorum shall be observed:

1. All remarks shall be addressed to the City Council as a whole and not to any single member, unless in response to a question from a member of the City Council.
2. A person who addresses the City Council under public comment for a specific agenda item or under the Public Forum section of the agenda may not engage in speech or conduct (i) which is likely to provoke others to violent or riotous behavior, (ii) which disturbs the peace of the meeting by loud and unreasonable noise, (iii) which is irrelevant or repetitive, or (iv) which disrupts, disturbs, or otherwise impedes the orderly conduct of any City Council meeting.
3. A person, other than members of the Council and the person, who has the floor, shall not be permitted to enter into the discussion unless requested by the mayor to speak.
4. Members of the City Council may not interrupt a person who has the floor and is making public comments. Members of the City Council shall wait until a person completes his or her public comments before asking questions or commenting. The mayor shall then ask Councilmembers if they have comments or questions.
5. No person in the audience at a Council meeting shall engage in disorderly or boisterous conduct, including the utterance of loud, threatening or abusive language, whistling, stamping of feet or other acts which disturb, disrupt or otherwise impede the orderly conduct of any Council meeting.

## **ENFORCEMENT OF DECORUM RULES**

(Resolution No. 2012-16)

While the City Council is in session, all persons must preserve order and decorum. A person who addresses the city council under public comment for a specific agenda item or under the Public Forum section of the agenda may not engage in speech or conduct which is likely to provoke others to violent or riotous behavior, which disturbs the peace of the meeting by loud and unreasonable noise, which is irrelevant or repetitive, or which disrupts, disturbs, or otherwise impedes the orderly conduct of any City Council meeting.

The mayor or other presiding officer shall request that a person who is breaching the rules of decorum cease such conduct. If after receiving such a warning, the person persists in breaching the rules of decorum, the mayor or other presiding officer may order the person to leave the City Council meeting. If such person does not leave, the mayor or presiding officer may request any law enforcement officer who is on duty at the meeting as sergeant-at-arms to remove the person from the Council Chambers. In the event there is no one from law enforcement present, the mayor or presiding officer may direct the City Manager to contact law enforcement.

In accordance with the Point of Order Rule 4.6, the majority of the Council may overrule the mayor if the majority of the Council believes the mayor or other presiding officer is not applying the rules of decorum appropriately.