

Regular Council Meeting of the City of Melvindale was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, August 19, 2026 at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Nicole M. Shkira and roll call was taken:

PRESENT COUNCIL MEMBERS: Jackson, Abuali, Marsee, Frederick, Cartrette

ABSENT COUNCIL MEMBERS: Filipowski

ALSO PRESENT: David Zajac, City Clerk; Richard S. Ortiz, City Administrator/Finance Director; Roger Kaly, Corporation Counsel; Brad Burns, Chief Building Official; Christopher Egan, Police Chief; Daryl Campbell, Assistant Police Chief

26-08-268 Moved by Jackson and supported by Marsee, to approve the Sharp Performance Program with the purchase funds to come from the opioid fund.

Passed Unanimously

26-08-269 Moved by Cartrette and supported by Frederick, to approve the regular meeting minutes dated July 1, 2026.

Passed Unanimously

26-08-270 Moved by Cartrette and supported by Jackson, to approve special meeting minutes dated July 22, 2026 at 7p.m.

Yeas: Jackson, Abuali, Frederick, Cartrette

Abstain: Marsee

Motion Passed

26-08-271 Moved by Cartrette and supported by Frederick, to approve special meeting minutes dated July 22, 2026 at 7:30p.m.

Yeas: Jackson, Frederick, Cartrette

Abstain: Abuali, Marsee

Motion Passed

26-08-272 Moved by Marsee and supported by Jackson, to remove from the table the appoint of Dennis Howard Sr. to the Public Safety Commission, to fill the unexpired term of Don Clinton, term expiring 11/21/2029.

Passed Unanimously

26-08-273 Moved by Marsee and supported by Jackson, to approve the appointment of Dennis Howard Sr. to the Public Safety Commission, to fill the unexpired term of Don Clinton, term expiring 11/21/2029

Passed Unanimously

26-08-274 Moved by Cartrette and supported by Jackson, to remove from the table the appointment of Renee Marlow as Treasurer, to fill the unexpired term of Khalid Ahmed.

Passed Unanimously

26-08-275 Moved by Jackson and supported by Abuali, to approve the appointment of Renee Marlow as Treasurer, to fill the unexpired term of Khalid Ahmed.

Yeas: Abuali, Frederick

Nays: Jackson, Marsee, Cartrette

Motion Failed

26-08-276 Moved by Marsee and supported by Jackson, to remove from the table the appointment of Connie Barton to the Aging Commission, to fill the unexpired term of Alice Bliss, term expiring 11/15/2028.

Passed Unanimously

26-08-277 Moved by Marsee and supported by Jackson, to approve the appointment of Connie Barton to the Aging Commission, to fill the unexpired term of Alice Bliss, term expiring 11/15/2028.

Passed Unanimously

26-08-278 Moved by Marsee and supported by Jackson, to remove from the table the appointment of Martha Staley to the Aging Commission, to fill the unexpired term of Judy Ohananison, term expiring 11/18/2026.

Passed Unanimously

26-08-279 Moved by Marsee and supported by Cartrette, to approve the appointment of Martha Staley to the Aging Commission, to fill the unexpired term of Judy Ohananison, term expiring 11/18/2026

Passed Unanimously

26-08-280 Moved by Abuali and supported by Cartrette, to award the Towing Contract, 3 years with (2) one- year renewal options, to J&T Crova beginning on September 1, 2026, with the

contingency of receiving their official certified copy that complies with the Iran Economic Sanctions Act 517 of 2012.

Yeas: Jackson, Abuali, Cartrette
Abstain: Marsee, Frederick

Motion Passed

26-08-281 Moved by Marsee and supported by Jackson, to approve Hutch Paving to redo City Hall parking lot, in the amount of \$149,650.

Passed Unanimously

26-08-282 Moved by Jackson and supported by Marsee, to approve Hutch Paving to revamp and redo the city pool as well as the curb, in the amount of \$214,050.

Passed Unanimously

26-08-283 Moved by Jackson and supported by Abuali, to approve the application for the Detroit Institute of Arts', partners in Public Art Program for Melvindale:

WHEREAS, Melvindale supports the addition and expansion of public art in our community; and

WHEREAS, The Detroit Institute of Arts collaborates on a program known as "Partners in Public Art" which provides funding and support for outdoor murals painted in public places; and

WHEREAS, City Council has identified that the Field House would be well suited for public art; and

WHEREAS, Melvindale understands that if selected, the partnership between the DIA and the City of Melvindale shall include a guarantee of a minimum ten-year commitment to keep and maintain the public art; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, City Council approves the application for partnership in the Partners in Public Art program, commits to the location of the public art at the Field House, and agrees to maintain the public art per the program requirements.

Passed Unanimously

26-08-284 Moved by Abuali and supported by Cartrette, to waive the 7-day waiting period for the previous motion.

Passed Unanimously

26-08-285 Moved by Abuali and supported by Cartrette, to allow Eagle to do contamination testing at Cardinal Park and 4300 S. Dearborn Rd.

Passed Unanimously

26-08-286 Moved by Jackson and supported by Marsee, to waive the 7-day waiting period for previous motion.

Passed Unanimously

26-08-287 Moved by Jackson and supported by Marsee, to renew EAP contract.

Passed Unanimously

26-08-288 Moved by Cartrette and supported by Jackson, to receive and place on file June 2026 treasures report.

Passed Unanimously

26-08-289 Moved by Cartrette and supported by Jackson, to receive and place on file July 2026 treasures report.

Passed Unanimously

26-08-290 Moved by Marsee and supported by Jackson, to receive and place on file the invoice and cover sheet and authorized the payment of invoices totaling \$2,054,439.63, and electronic transfers totaling \$358,422.58.

Passed Unanimously

26-08-291 Moved by Cartrette and supported by Marsee, to adjourn at 9:55p.m. no objections, so ordered.

Passed Unanimously

Mayor, Nicole Shkira

City Clerk, David Zajac