

AGENDA

Paramount Economic Development Board
August 6, 2025



Regular Meeting
City Hall Council Chambers
6:00 p.m.

City of Paramount

16400 Colorado Avenue ♦ Paramount, CA 90723 ♦ (562) 220-2000 ♦ www.paramountcity.gov

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NOTICE

In-person Attendance: The public may attend the Economic Development Board meetings in-person.

Public Comments: Members of the public wanting to address the Economic Development Board, either during public comments or for a specific agenda item, or both, may do so by the following methods:

- **In-person**

If you wish to make a statement, please complete a Speaker's Card prior to the commencement of the Public Comments period of the meeting. Speaker's Cards are located at the entrance. Give your completed card to a staff member and when your name is called, please go to the podium provided for the public.

- **E-mail:** planning@paramountcity.gov

E-mail public comments must be received **15 minutes prior to the start of the meeting**. The e-mail should specify the following information: 1) Full Name; 2) City of Residence; 3) Phone Number; 4) Public Comment or Agenda Item No.; 5) Subject; 6) Written Comments.

All public comments are limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes unless an extension is granted. No action may be taken on items not on the agenda except as provided by law. All public comments will be recorded and rules of decorum and procedures for the conduct of City meetings will apply when addressing the Economic Development Board whether in-person or via email.

Notes

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Linda Timmons

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

Board Member Ernie Esparza
Board Member Javier Gonzalez
Board Member David Moody
Vice Chair Gordon Weisenburger
Chair Linda Timmons

MINUTES

1. [APPROVAL OF MINUTES](#) July 2, 2025

REORGANIZATION

2. [REORGANIZATION](#)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

REPORTS

3. [ORAL REPORT](#) Southeast Los Angeles County (SELACO) Workforce Development Board Artificial Intelligence Strategic Planning Session

COMMENTS

4. [COMMENTS](#)
 - Board Members
 - Staff

ADJOURNMENT

To a meeting on Wednesday, September 3, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber at City Hall, 16400 Colorado Ave., Paramount, California.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD

MOTION IN ORDER:

APPROVE THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD MINUTES OF JULY
2, 2025.

MOTION:

MOVED BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

[] APPROVED

[] DENIED

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: _____

NOES: _____

ABSENT: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD MINUTES JULY 2, 2025

City of Paramount, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, CA 90723

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting of the Economic Development Board was called to order by Chair Linda Timmons at 6:54 p.m. at City Hall, Council Chamber, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California.

**ROLL CALL OF
BOARD MEMBERS**

Present: Board Member Ernie Esparza
Board Member Javier Gonzalez
Vice Chair Gordon Weisenburger
Chair Linda Timmons
Board Member David Moody

STAFF PRESENT: Lindsay Thorson, Planning Commission Attorney
John King, Planning and Building Director
Monica Rodriguez, Assistant Planning and Building Director
Rick Baptista, Building and Safety Manager
Sol Bejarano, Management Analyst
Ivan Reyes, Associate Planner
Leslie Corrales, Assistant Planner
Biana Salgado, Administrative Assistant

MINUTES

1. **APPROVAL OF
MINUTES** Chair Timmons presented the Economic Development Board minutes of June 4, 2025 for approval.

It was moved by Board Member Gonzalez, seconded by Board Member Esparza, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Board Members Esparza, Gonzalez, and
Moody, Vice Chair Weisenburger,
Chair Timmons

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

REPORTS

2. ORAL REPORT

Planning and Building Director John King introduced Assistant Planning and Building Director Monica Rodriguez who presented the California Jobs First State Economic Blueprint, released by Governor Gavin Newsom in February 2025.

The Blueprint's 10-year plan includes more than \$245 million in investments to help support job creation, innovation, and sustainable economic growth across 13 regions statewide.

**3. COMMENTS FROM
BOARD MEMBERS
AND STAFF**

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by Chair Timmons at 6:33 p.m. to the next Economic Development Board meeting to be held on Wednesday, August 6, 2025, at City Hall Council Chamber, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California, at 6:00 p.m.

Linda Timmons, Chair

ATTEST:

Biana Salgado, Administrative Assistant

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REORGANIZATION OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Minute Clerk:	<p>OPEN NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD CHAIR</p> <p>_____ was nominated by _____ (NO SECOND REQUIRED)</p> <p>_____ was nominated by _____ (NO SECOND REQUIRED)</p> <p>ROLL CALL VOTE FOR _____ AS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD CHAIR</p> <p>Board Member Esparza _____</p> <p>Board Member Gonzalez _____</p> <p>Board Member Moody _____</p> <p>Board Member Timmons _____</p> <p>Board Member Weisenburger _____</p>
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Board Chair:	<p>OPEN NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD VICE CHAIR</p> <p>_____ was nominated by _____ (NO SECOND REQUIRED)</p> <p>_____ was nominated by _____ (NO SECOND REQUIRED)</p> <p>ROLL CALL VOTE FOR _____ AS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD VICE CHAIR</p> <p>Board Member Esparza _____</p> <p>Board Member Gonzalez _____</p> <p>Board Member Moody _____</p> <p>Board Member Timmons _____</p> <p>Board Member Weisenburger _____</p>
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ORAL REPORT

SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES COUNTY (SELACO) WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE STRATEGIC BOARD
PLANNING SESSION



To: Honorable Economic Development Commission

From: John King, AICP, Planning and Building Director

By: Sol Bejarano, Management Analyst

Date: August 6, 2025

Subject: ORAL REPORT – SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES COUNTY (SELACO) WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION

In June, the Southeast Los Angeles County (SELACO) Workforce Development Board (WDB) held an Artificial Intelligence (AI) Strategic Planning Session. The goal of the AI Strategic Planning Session was to determine how to best address the AI opportunities and challenges facing businesses and job seekers in the community. Management Analyst Sol Bejarano will provide more details.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF