

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD MINUTES JANUARY 7, 2026

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

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting of the Development Review Board was called to order by Chair Ernie Esparza at 6:38 p.m. at City Hall, Council Chamber, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California.

ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS: Present: Board Member Javier Gonzalez
Board Member David Moody
Board Member Linda Timmons
Vice Chair Gordon Weisenburger
Chair Ernie Esparza

Absent: None

STAFF PRESENT: Lindsay Thorson, Planning Commission Attorney
John King, Planning and Building Director
Monica Rodriguez, Assistant Planning and Building Director
Ivan Reyes, Associate Planner
Leslie Corrales, Assistant Planner
Caitlin Au, Planning Intern
Biana Salgado, Administrative Assistant

MINUTES

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
December 2, 2025

Chair Esparza presented the Development Review Board minutes of December 2, 2025 for approval.

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

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Planning and Building Director King stated that a public comment card was received for agenda item No. 2.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARINGS

2. DEVELOPMENT
REVIEW
APPLICATION NO.
26:001

Chair Esparza announced the item, a request by Jose Covarrubias to construct a 568 square foot addition to an existing 650 square foot single-family residence and construct a 426 square foot two-car garage at 6637 Motz Street in the R-2 (Medium Density Residential) zone.

Planning and Building Director King introduced Assistant Planner Corrales who presented an overview of the request.

Chair Esparza opened the public hearing and called for public testimony.

The following individual spoke opposed to the request: Linda Navakowski citing parking concerns.

The applicant Jose Covarrubias offered a rebuttal.

The Development Review Board acknowledged Ms. Navakowski's concerns. Planning and Building Director King advised that Associate Planner Reyes would obtain her contact information to forward to the Public Works Department.

There being no further comments in favor or opposed to the request, it was moved by Vice Chair Weisenburger, seconded by Board Member Gonzalez, to close the public hearing. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

It was moved by Vice Chair Weisenburger, seconded by Board Member Gonzalez, to approve Development Review Application No. 26:001, a request by Jose Covarrubias to construct a 568 square foot addition to an existing 650 square foot single-family residence and construct a 426 square foot two-car garage at 6637 Motz Street in the R-2 (Medium Density Residential) zone, subject to the conditions of approval included in the agenda report. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Board Members Gonzalez, Moody, and
Timmons; Vice Chair Weisenburger;
Chair Esparza
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

COMMENTS

3. COMMENTS

There were no comments from Board Members and staff.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by Chair Esparza at 6:54 p.m. to the next Development Review Board meeting to be held on Wednesday, February 4, 2026 at City Hall Council Chamber, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California at 6:00 p.m.

/s/ Ernie Esparza

Ernie Esparza, Chair

ATTEST:

/s/ Biana Salgado

Biana Salgado, Administrative Assistant

APPROVED: February 11, 2026