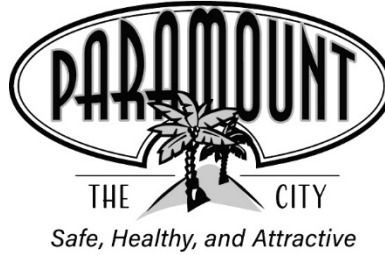


AGENDA

Paramount Economic Development Board
May 6, 2026



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.

CALL TO ORDER: Chair David Moody

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

MINUTES

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES April 1, 2026

PUBLIC COMMENTS

REPORTS

2. ORAL REPORT 2026 Southern California Economic Update

COMMENTS

3. COMMENTS
 - Board Members
 - Staff

ADJOURNMENT

To a meeting on Wednesday, June 3, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber at City Hall, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California.

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MAY 6, 2026

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD

MOTION IN ORDER:

APPROVE THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD MINUTES OF APRIL 1, 2026.

<u>MOTION:</u>	<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u>
MOVED BY: _____	AYES: _____
SECONDED BY: _____	NOES: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> APPROVED	ABSENT: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> DENIED	ABSTAIN: _____

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD MINUTES
APRIL 1, 2026**

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 David Moody at 8:13 p.m. at City Hall, Council Chamber, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California.

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

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
Caitlin Au, Planning Intern
Biana Salgado, Administrative Assistant

MINUTES

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
March 4, 2026

Chair Moody presented the Economic Development Board minutes of March 4, 2026 for approval.

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

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Planning and Building Director King stated that there are no public comments.

REPORTS

2. ORAL REPORT
ADA Compliance:
What Every Business
Needs to Know

Planning and Building Director John King introduced Assistant Planning and Building Director Monica Rodriguez who provided a summary from the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) workshop hosted by the Gateway Cities Council of Governments on March 17, 2026.

Assistant Planning and Building Director Rodriguez reviewed key physical accessibility requirements that would apply to new construction, alterations to facilities, and upcoming changes to public agency websites and informational flyers. ADA requirements also state that a person with disabilities must have a path of travel and site accessibility such as accessible routes connecting to parking, entrances, and public service areas (i.e. restrooms, public counters, and seating areas). The building must also have proper signage and wayfinding signs directing building access.

Board Member Timmons asked if ADA parking would be minimized when parking in general is minimized in certain structures.

Assistant Planning and Building Director Rodriguez stated that ADA parking requirement would not be minimized as ADA parking is based on a set formula.

Vice Chair Gonzalez asked if the City would be responsible for businesses to be ADA compliant or is the business responsibility to comply.

Assistant Planning and Building Director Rodriguez stated it is a little bit of both – when a new development goes through the building review and inspection process, the Building and Safety Division ensures the project meets all the accessibility requirements. For existing buildings, compliance could be difficult because of the age of the building or lack of square footage. In those cases a business could file for an undue hardship determination.

COMMENTS

3. COMMENTS

Board Member Weisenburger stated that it is nice to hear when people come up to the podium and state that Paramount is good place to be and good city.

Board Member Timmons stated that Paramount, along with the City Council and Chamber of Commerce, is very supportive of businesses.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned by Chair Moody at 8:21 p.m. to the next Economic Development Board meeting to be held on Wednesday, May 6, 2026 at City Hall Council Chamber, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California at 6:00 p.m.

David Moody, Chair

ATTEST:

Biana Salgado, Administrative Assistant

MAY 6, 2026

ORAL REPORT

2026 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ECONOMIC UPDATE



To: Honorable Economic Development Board

From: John King, AICP, Planning and Building Director

By:

Date: May 6, 2026

Subject: ORAL REPORT – SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ECONOMIC UPDATE

Since 2009, the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) has convened a team of independent economists representing the region's counties and key specialty areas to assess the economic landscape of the Southern California region. Each year SCAG produces a Southern California Economic Update.

Planning and Building Department staff will provide an overview of the most recent Economic Update.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF