



AGENDA REPORT

To: Mayor Joel Fajardo and Councilmembers

From: Kanika Kith, City Manager
By: Julia Fritz, City Clerk

Date: July 6, 2026

Subject: Consideration to Adopt a Resolution Reciting the Fact of the City's June 2, 2026 General Municipal Election and Declaring the Results of the Same

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 8469 (Attachment "A") reciting the fact of the City's June 2, 2026 General Municipal Election and certifying the election results, declaring the results of the same based on the Certificate of Canvass of the Election Returns and Official Statement of Votes Cast (Exhibit "A" of Attachment "A") received from the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.

BACKGROUND:

1. On January 20, 2026, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 8426 (Attachment "B") calling for, and giving notice of, the City of San Fernando's June 2, 2026 General Municipal Election and consolidating the city's election with the Statewide Direct Primary Election administered by the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk ("County Clerk").
2. On June 2, 2026, the General Municipal Election was held and semi-official results were tabulated. The County Clerk continued counting ballots during the Official Election Canvass period ending on June 26, 2026.
3. On June 29, 2026, the City Clerk received the Certificate of the Canvass of the Election Returns and Official Statement of Votes Cast (Exhibit "A" of Attachment "A"), completed and certified by the RR/CC for the June 2, 2026 San Fernando General Municipal Election. The Certificate of the Canvass of Election Returns identifies the candidates for elective office of the city who have been elected to the City Council by San Fernando voters.

ANALYSIS:

For the June 2, 2026 City of San Fernando General Election, registered voters in San Fernando had the opportunity to elect three (3) Councilmembers of the five-member City Council for a full term of four (4) years each. The three (3) Councilmember seats are currently occupied by incumbents Joel Fajardo, Mary Mendoza and Mary Solorio.

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During the candidate nomination period, seven (7) candidates submitted the required nomination papers and qualified to appear on the June 2, 2026, ballot running for the office of Member of the San Fernando City Council. The qualified candidates in ballot order, were Mary Mendoza, Fernando Diaz, Sean M. Rivas, Sonia Navarro, Flor Sanchez, Mary Solorio, and Michelle Vergara.

On June 29, 2026, the city received the Certificate of Canvass of Election Returns ("Canvass") from the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk. Pursuant to California Elections Code Section 10263, the City Council is required to meet at its usual place of meeting no later than the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting following receipt of the Canvass, or at a special meeting called for that purpose, to adopt a resolution certifying the election results, declare elected the persons receiving the highest number of votes for each office, and install the newly elected officers.

Thereafter, pursuant to the California Elections Code Section 10265, the City Clerk must sign and deliver a Certificate of Election to each elected person and administer the Oath of Office to each elected official, thereby commencing their respective terms of office.

Based on the Canvass of Election Returns, the certified vote totals for the seven (7) candidates, listed from highest to lowest, are as follows:

Candidate Name	Votes Received
Mary Solorio	1,880
Sean M. Rivas	1,702
Mary Mendoza	1,647
Michelle Vergara	1,313
Fernando Diaz	980
Sonia Navarro	821
Flor Sanchez	521

Based on the Certificate of Canvass of Election Returns, candidates Mary Solorio, Sean M. Rivas, and Mary Mendoza are declared the elected candidates to fill the three (3) seats for Member of San the Fernando City Council for the full four-year term ending in June 2030.

BUDGET IMPACT:

The Fiscal Year 2025-2026 City Budget included \$82,700 as an approved budget enhancement towards the cost of the June 2, 2026 General Municipal Election.

CONCLUSION:

It is recommended that the City Council City Council adopt Resolution No.8469 (Attachment "A") reciting the fact of the City's June 2, 2026 General Municipal Election and certifying the election results, declaring the results of the same based on the Certificate of Canvass of the Election Returns and Official Statement of Votes Cast (Exhibit "A" of Attachment "A") received from the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Resolution No. 8469, including:
 - Exhibit "A": Certificate of the Canvass of the Election Returns and Official Statement of Votes Cast
- B. Resolution No. 8426

RESOLUTION NO. 8469

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO,
CALIFORNIA, RECITING THE FACT OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
ON TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2026, DECLARING THE RESULTS AND SUCH OTHER
MATTERS AS PROVIDED BY LAW**

WHEREAS, at its regular meeting of January 20, 2026, the City Council of the City of San Fernando ("City Council") approved Resolution No. 8426 which called for a General Municipal Election to be held on June 2, 2026 ("City Election"); and

WHEREAS, the City of San Fernando (the "City") conducted the City Election on Tuesday, June 2, 2026 which was consolidated and administered by Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk ("County") with the Statewide Direct Primary Election held on the same day; and

WHEREAS, notice of the City Election was given in the time, form, and manner provided by law; the candidates were nominated to fill the vacancy as provided by law; the voting precincts were properly established; and the election officers were duly appointed; and

WHEREAS, the City Election was in all respects held and conducted in accordance with the California Elections Code governing general law cities, and the votes were cast, received, canvassed, and the returns made and declared in the time, form, and manner required by law; and

WHEREAS, the City Election was conducted for the purpose of electing three (3) members of the City Council for the full term of four (4) years each; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code Section 15300 et seq., the County Registrar canvassed the returns of the City Election and has certified the results and issued a Certificate of Canvass of the Election Returns and Official Votes Cast, which is attached hereto as **Exhibit "A"** and is incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code Section 10263, upon completion of the canvass and before installing new officers, the City Council must adopt a Resolution reciting the fact of the City Election and declaring the person(s) for whom the highest number of votes were cast for the Councilmember office.

BASED UPON THE ABOVE RECITALS, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY FIND, DETERMINE AND RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Recitals stated above are true and correct and incorporated herein by this reference.

SECTION 2. On June 2, 2026, the City undertook a General Municipal Election which was administered by the County Registrar.

SECTION 3. On June 29, 2026, the County Registrar issued a Certificate of Canvass of the Election Returns for the City Election (hereinafter, the “Canvass”). A true and correct copy of the Canvass is attached hereto as **Exhibit “A”** and is incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. In satisfaction of Elections Code Section 10264, the City Council hereby adopts the findings, calculations, and determinations of the Canvass as it relates to the City General Election, including: (1) the number of ballots cast in the City; (2) the names of the persons voted for; (3) for what office each person was voted for; (4) the number of votes given at each precinct to each person; and (5) the total number of votes given to each person.

SECTION 4. At its June 2, 2026 General Municipal Election, three (3) of the City Council’s five (5) seats were up for election for the full four-year term, due to expire in June 2030. Incumbent Councilmembers were Joel Fajardo, Mary Mendoza and Mary Solorio. The names of the persons voted for at the City’s General Election for Member of the City Council, were as follows, in ballot order: Mary Mendoza, Fernando Diaz, Sean M. Rivas, Sonia Navarro, Flor Sanchez, Mary Solorio and Michelle Vergara.

SECTION 5. The City Council does declare and determine that Mary Solorio, Sean M. Rivas and Mary Mendoza are elected as Members of the City Council to fill three (3) Councilmember seats for a full four-year term each, expiring in June 2030. Mary Solorio received the most votes with 1,880; Sean M. Rivas received the second most votes with 1,702; Mary Mendoza received the third most votes with 1,647, followed by Michelle Vergara receiving the fourth most votes with 1,313; Fernando Diaz received the fifth most votes with 980, Sonia Navarro received the sixth most votes with 821 and Flor Sanchez receiving the seventh most votes with 521.

SECTION 6. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the City Council and the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution and entered into the book of original Resolutions.

SECTION 7. Pursuant to Elections Code Section 10265, the City Clerk shall immediately sign and deliver to each person elected a Certificate of Election and administer to each person elected the Oath of Office prescribed in the Constitution of the State of California.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of San Fernando at the regular meeting held on the 6th day of July 2026.

Joel Fajardo, Mayor of the City of
San Fernando, California

ATTEST:

Julia Fritz, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, City Clerk of the City of San Fernando, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of Resolution No. 8469 which was introduced and adopted by the City Council of the City of San Fernando, California, at a regular meeting thereof held on the 6th day of July, 2026, by the following vote of the City Council:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City of San Fernando, California, this _____ day of July, 2026.

Julia Fritz, City Clerk

ATTACHMENT "A"

RES. NO. 8469

EXHIBIT "A"

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY
REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK**

CERTIFICATE OF CANVASS OF THE ELECTION RETURNS

AND

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF VOTES CAST



**LOS ANGELES COUNTY
REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK**

DEAN C. LOGAN
Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

June 26, 2026

Julia Fritz, City Clerk
City of San Fernando
117 Macneil Street
San Fernando, California 91340

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Dear City Clerk:

Enclosed are the Official Canvass Certificate and the Official Statement of Votes Cast by precinct for the City of San Fernando General Municipal Election consolidated with the Statewide Direct Primary Election held in Los Angeles County on June 2, 2026.

Please call the Election Planning Section at (562) 462-2317, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

SONIA CORONA, Head
Election Planning Section

Attachment:
Official Canvass Certificate
Official Statement of Votes Cast



Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF THE CANVASS OF THE ELECTION RETURNS

I, **DEAN C. LOGAN**, Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles, of the State of California DO HEREBY CERTIFY that pursuant to the provisions of Section 15300 et seq. of the California Elections Code, I canvassed the returns of the votes cast for each elective office and/or measure(s) for

San Fernando City

at the Statewide Direct Primary Election, held on the 2nd day of June, 2026.

I **FURTHER CERTIFY** that the Statement of Votes Cast, to which this certificate is attached, shows the total number of ballots cast in said jurisdiction, and that the whole number of votes cast for each candidate and/or measure(s) in said jurisdiction in each of the respective precincts therein, and the totals of the respective columns and the totals as shown for each candidate and/or measure(s) are full, true and correct.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 26th day of June 2026.

DEAN C. LOGAN
Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk
County of Los Angeles

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EXHIBIT "A"

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION Member of the City Council

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CITY OF SAN FERNANDO GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION Member of the City Council

FINAL OFFICIAL
STATEMENT OF VOTES CAST
BY PRECINCT

Location	Registration	Ballots Cast
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MARY MENDOZA

FERNANDO DIAZ

SEAN M RIVAS

SONIA NAVARRO

FLOR SANCHEZ

MARY SOLORIO

MICHELLE VERGARA

PRECINCT TOTAL		960	408	298	345	264	129	304	229
VBM TOTAL		3,122	1,239	682	1,357	557	392	1,576	1,084
GRAND TOTAL	12,818	4,082	1,647	980	1,702	821	521	1,880	1,313

RESOLUTION NO. 8426

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, CALIFORNIA, (1) CALLING AND GIVING NOTICE OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2026, FOR THE ELECTION OF THREE CITY COUNCILMEMBERS; (2) REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION OF SUCH ELECTION WITH THE STATEWIDE ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE SAME DAY; (3) REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO ISSUE INSTRUCTIONS TO THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK TO TAKE ANY AND ALL STEPS NECESSARY FOR THE HOLDING OF THE CONSOLIDATED ELECTION; AND (4) ADOPTING REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

WHEREAS, under the provision of the laws relating to General Law cities in the State of California, a General Municipal Election of the City of San Fernando (the "City") shall be conducted on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, for the purpose of electing three (3) members of the City Council for the full term of four-years each; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable that said election be consolidated with the County-administered General Election to be held on the same date and that within the City the precincts, polling places, and election officers of the two elections be the same, and that the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles ("County Registrar") canvass the returns of the City's General Municipal Election and that it be held in all respects as if it were part and parcel of the County-administered General Election; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to secure the consent and order of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles (the "Board of Supervisors") to effectuate such consolidation; and

WHEREAS, the City shall compensate the County Registrar for all necessary expenses incurred by the County in performing election services for the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council approves the printing of the information for said election in the foreign languages requiring translation pursuant to the Voting Rights Act of 1965; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code Section 13307 provides that the City may adopt regulations pertaining to the recovery of certain costs associated with the printing, handling, translation, and mailing of candidate statements as filed with the elections officer; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, FIND, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The recitals above and findings therein are true and correct and incorporated into the body of this Resolution by this reference.

SECTION 2. That pursuant to the requirements of the laws of the State of California relating to General Law cities, the City Council hereby orders and calls a General Municipal Election to be held in the City of San Fernando, California on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, to be consolidated with the County-administered General Election to be held on the same day for the purpose of electing three (3) members of the City Council for the full term of four-years.

SECTION 3. Pursuant to the requirements of Section 10403 of the Elections Code, it is respectfully requested that the Board of Supervisors consent and agree to the consolidation of the City's General Municipal Election on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, with the County-administered election to be held on the same date.

SECTION 4. In connection with the County Registrar's administration of the City's June 2, 2026 General Municipal Election, the City further requests that the County Registrar be authorized and directed to: (a) review and verify vote by mail applications and signatures; (b) conduct registered voter verifications (including signature verifications) associated with the processing of any proposed General Municipal Election ballot measure; (c) provide the City with the appropriate election precinct data, to the extent required; (d) make available to the City such election facilities, ballot casting equipment and assistance as may be necessary to conduct the election in compliance with state law and the Board of Supervisor's approval; (e) canvass the election returns; (f) print and supply ballots for the election; (g) mail the City's sample ballots, including ballot measure question, arguments, rebuttals and impartial analysis; and (h) administer the City's General Municipal Election in all respects as if it were part and parcel of any other County Registrar administered election, implementing all such legally required or customarily employed measures and practices as may be necessary to conduct the election in a timely and legally compliant manner.

SECTION 5. The City shall reimburse the County Registrar for any costs associated with the administration of said election upon presentation to the City of a properly approved bill.

SECTION 6. Pursuant to Section 13307 of the Elections Code, each candidate for elective office to be voted for at the City's June 2, 2026, General Municipal Election may prepare a candidate statement on a form acceptable to the County Registrar, as applicable, and made available through the City Clerk.

SECTION 7. Pursuant to Section 13307(c) of the California Elections Code, the governing body of the City of San Fernando authorizes the preparation of candidate statements for nonpartisan elective office for the purpose of electronic distribution. Candidates will prepare statements for electronic distribution pursuant to Section 13307(a) of the Elections Code. A statement prepared pursuant to this subdivision shall be posted on the internet website of the County Elections Official. Candidates shall provide payment of the requisite fee to cover the duties and procedures set forth in Sections 13307(b) and (d) of the Elections Code. Each candidate for any of the offices to be elected at the General Municipal Election to be conducted on June 2, 2026, who files a candidate statement shall concurrently deposit with the City Clerk an amount, as reasonably estimated by the City Clerk, to pay in advance his or her estimated pro rata share of the actual costs of printing and handling such candidate statements incurred by the City and/or the County Registrar at the time of filing such statement with the City Clerk. In the

event that the amount paid as a deposit by a candidate includes overpayment of actual costs incurred by the City and/or the County Registrar, the City Clerk shall prorate the excess amount among the candidates and refund the excess amount paid within thirty (30) days following the date of the election.

SECTION 8. Pursuant to Section 13307(a)(1) of the Elections Code candidate statements **may** include the following:

- (A) The name, age, and occupation of the candidate; and
- (B) A brief description of no more than 200 words of the candidate's education and qualifications as expressed by the candidate himself or herself.

SECTION 9. Pursuant to Elections Code Section 13307(a)(1), candidate statements **shall not** include the following:

- (A) The party affiliation of the candidate; or
- (B) References to membership or activity in partisan political organizations.

SECTION 10. All prospective candidates should be aware of the holding in *Dean v. Superior Court* (1998) 62 Cal.App.4th 638, which holds that a statement prepared by a candidate for inclusion in the voters' pamphlet **may not** include comments or statements concerning the qualifications (or alleged lack of qualifications) of one's opponents. Candidates, in an abundance of caution, should avoid making any reference to opponents in their candidate statements. Candidates should seek the advice of private legal counsel if unsure as to whether their candidate statement does or does not comply with applicable law before filing.

SECTION 11. The candidate statement shall be filed in typewritten form at the Office of the City Clerk at the time the candidate's nomination papers are filed. The candidate statement may be withdrawn, but not changed, during the period for filing nomination papers and until 5:00 p.m. of the next working day after the close of the nomination period.

SECTION 12. Subject to any logistical constraints imposed by the County Registrar by virtue of consolidation, the City Clerk shall have translated (from the English to relevant foreign languages authorized under the Voting Rights Act of 1965) and printed in the voters' pamphlet only the candidate statements of those candidates who request such translation and printing at the time of filing of the candidate statements.

SECTION 13. No candidate for any elected office of the City shall be permitted to include additional materials in the voters' pamphlet and sample ballot package.

SECTION 14. The City Clerk shall provide each candidate or candidate's representative a copy of this Resolution at the time nominating petitions are issued.

SECTION 15. The ballots to be used at the election shall be in form and content as required by law.

SECTION 16. The City Clerk is authorized, instructed and directed to coordinate with the County Registrar to procure and furnish any and all official ballots, notices, printed matter and all supplies, equipment and paraphernalia that may be necessary in order to properly and lawfully conduct the election.

SECTION 17. The polls for the election shall be open at seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. of the day of the election and shall remain open continuously from that time until eight o'clock (8:00) p.m. of the same day when the polls shall be closed, pursuant to Elections Code Section 10242, except as provided in Section 14401 of the Elections Code.

SECTION 18. In all particulars not recited in this Resolution, the election shall be held and conducted as provided by law for holding municipal elections.

SECTION 19. In the event of a tie vote (if any two or more persons receive an equal and the highest number of votes for an office) as certified by the County Registrar, the City Council, in accordance with Elections Code Section 15651(a), shall set a date and time and place and summon the candidates who have received the tie votes to appear and will determine the tie by lot (i.e., coin toss, draw straws, drawing of names).

SECTION 20. The City Clerk shall forward without delay, a copy of this Resolution to the appropriate public agency which shall be assisting the City with the conduct of its General Municipal Election.

SECTION 21. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the City Council and the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution and enter it into the book of original Resolutions.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 20th day of January, 2026.

Signed by:

Joel Fajardo

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Joel Fajardo, Mayor of the City of
San Fernando, California

ATTEST:

Signed by:

Julia Fritz

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Julia Fritz, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Julia Fritz, City Clerk of the City of San Fernando, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of Resolution No. 8426 which was approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of San Fernando, California, at a regular meeting thereof held on the 20th day of January, 2026, by the following vote of the City Council:

AYES: Mendoza, Garcia, Fajardo - 3

NAYS: Lopez, Solorio - 2

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City of San Fernando, California, this 29th day of January 2026.

Signed by:

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 Julia Fritz, City Clerk