Los Angeles City Council, Journal/Council Proceeding
Friday, June 26, 2026
JOHN FERRARO COUNCIL CHAMBER ROOM 340, CITY HALL 200 NORTH SPRING STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 - 10:00 AM

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

(For further details see Official Council Files)

(For communications referred by the President see Referral Memorandum)

Special Agenda

Roll Call

Members Present: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Jurado, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (15) (0)

An Opportunity for Public Comment will be Provided for All Items on the Agenda, Regardless of Whether a Public Hearing has been Previously Held

Items for which Public Hearings Have Not Been Held - (10 Votes Required for Consideration)

(1) **26-0906**

Possible ratification and related actions relative to the Mayor's Declaration of Emergency of June 17, 2026, regarding the existence of a local emergency from a major fire erupting at a cold-storage warehouse facility in the Boyle Heights Neighborhood of the City of Los Angeles, pursuant to the provisions of Section 231(i) of the Los Angeles City Charter and Section 8.27 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code

TIME LIMIT FILE - JUNE 27, 2026

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - JUNE 26, 2026)

(The Council shall approve or disapprove the resolution within seven days from the date of the original declaration by the Mayor and at least every 10 regular Council meeting days, but no longer than 30 calendar days, thereafter unless the state of local emergency is terminated sooner)

Adopted Item
Ayes: Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Jurado, Hutt, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (15); Nays: (0); Absent: (0)

Items Called Special

Motions have been Referred and will be Posted on the City Clerk's Website shortly after the Council Meeting

Council Adjournment

ENDING ROLL CALL
Blumenfield, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Jurado, Lee, McOsker, Nazarian, Padilla, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (15) (0)

Whereupon the Council did adjourn.

ATTEST: Patrice Y. Lattimore, CITY CLERK

By

Council Clerk PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Special Meeting

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on June 20, 2026, the Mayor declared a state of local emergency concerning a major fire that erupted on June 17, 2026, at a privately-owned cold-storage warehouse facility in the Boyle Heights neighborhood of the City of Los Angeles, and quickly escalated into a major, multi-operational period incident;

WHEREAS, the incident involved refrigeration systems, rooftop solar-panel infrastructure, and other industrial equipment, creating complex and hazardous firefighting conditions, and involved the release and off-gassing of ammonia associated with refrigeration systems, requiring specialized hazardous materials response and air monitoring;

WHEREAS, the fire generated a substantial smoke plume visible throughout the Los Angeles region, resulting in a shelter-in-place order and smoke and particle pollution advisories throughout Boyle Heights and neighboring communities;

WHEREAS, the presence of the solar array on the warehouse's roof, hazardous materials and lithium-ion batteries on site, and approximately 85-million pounds of decaying food products created and continue to create concerns for the health, safety and welfare of the residents beyond the ability of the normal services, personnel, equipment and facilities of the regularly constituted branches and departments of the City Government to adequately address, and that such emergency conditions required and continue to require the mobilization of mutual aid resources and the ability to coordinate a multi-agency response;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Los Angeles RESOLVES that:

1. A local emergency regarding impacts from the Boyle Heights warehouse fire existed in the City of Los Angeles (City) within the meaning of Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 8.21, *et seq.*, at the time of the Mayor's June 20, 2026, Declaration of Local Emergency, which the City Council hereby ratifies;
2. Because the local emergency continues to exist, there is a need to continue the declared state of local emergency, which the City Council hereby ratifies;
3. In accordance with Los Angeles Administrative Code section 8.21 *et seq.*, all appropriate City departments (including proprietary departments), agencies, and personnel are instructed and requested to continue to perform all duties and responsibilities to represent the City in this matter to respond to and abate the emergency and prevent further harm to the life, health, and safety, and receive, process, and coordinate all inquiries and requirements necessary to obtain whatever State and Federal assistance that may become available to the City and/or to the citizens of the City who may be affected by the emergency;
4. The General Manager of the Emergency Management Department is hereby instructed, as appropriate, to advise the Mayor and City Council on the need to extend the state of local emergency;
5. To the extent the public interest and necessity demand the immediate expenditure of public funds to safeguard life, health, or property in response to the local emergency

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and to support the emergency operations of the City and its departments (including its proprietary departments), agencies, and personnel (including mutual aid resources) in responding to the local emergency, the City Council hereby approves and resolves that the competitive bidding requirements enumerated in City Charter Sections 371 and 372, and Los Angeles Administrative Code Sections 10.15 and 10.17 be suspended until termination of the state of emergency and solely with respect to purchases and contracts needed to respond to the declared state of emergency;

6. City departments and agencies making purchases pursuant to the authority granted in paragraph five (5), above, shall report every at the conclusion of the emergency or monthly if the emergency extends longer than 30 days to the City Council regarding the purchases and contracts made during the prior to week period on the reasons justifying why such purchase or contract was necessary to respond to the emergency, including why the emergency did not permit a delay resulting from a competitive solicitation for bids or proposals and why competitive proposals or bidding was not reasonably practicable or compatible with the City's interests.
7. To the extent feasible, Departments shall track and document all costs associated with their response to this incident, including personnel, equipment, contractual services, and any other direct or indirect expenditures, and report such costs as part of the requested report back.
8. The City Clerk is hereby instructed, unless and until Council directs otherwise or discontinues the state of emergency, to timely agendize this matter so that Council may consider whether to continue the state of emergency;
9. The City Clerk is hereby instructed to forward copies of this Resolution to the Governor of the State of California, the Director of the Office of Emergency Services of the State of California, the Los Angeles County Office of Emergency Management, and the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors

PRESENTED BY:

MARQUEECE HARRIS-DAWSON
Council President, 8th District

YSABEL JURADO
Councilmember, 14th District

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SECONDED BY: