

# TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING



The Mission of the Town of Yucca Valley is to  
provide a government that is responsive to its citizens  
to ensure a safe and secure environment  
while maintaining the highest quality of life.

**TOWN COUNCIL: 5:00 PM  
TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2026**

Closed Session 4:00 p.m.  
Town Hall Conference Room  
57090 Twentynine Palms Hwy  
Yucca Valley, Ca 92284

Regular Meeting 5:00 p.m.  
Yucca Valley Community Center - Yucca Room  
57090 Twentynine Palms Hwy  
Yucca Valley, Ca 9228

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### **Town Council**

Merl Abel, Mayor

Jim Schooler, Mayor Pro Tem

Rick Denison, Council Member

Jeff Drozd, Council Member

Robert Lombardo, Council Member

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**TOWN ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE:**

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**AGENDA**  
**MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL**  
**TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2026, 5:00 PM**

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The meeting agenda packet is available for public view in the Town Hall lobby and on the Town's website at [www.yucca-valley.org](http://www.yucca-valley.org) prior to the meeting. For more information on an agenda item or the agenda process, please contact the Town Clerk's office at (760) 369-7209 ext. 226.

If you wish to comment on any agenda item or on any subject not on the agenda during public comments, please fill out a request to speak card and give to the Town Clerk/Commission Secretary. Comment time is limited to 3 minutes.

Where appropriate or deemed necessary, action may be taken on any item listed in the agenda.

## **OPENING CEREMONIES:**

### **Closed Session**

1. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS: The Town Council will meet in closed session to hold a conference with its labor negotiator regarding unrepresented employees pursuant to Government Code section 54957.6.

Town designated representative: Town Manager Curtis Yakimow

Unrepresented employees: All unrepresented employees

2. The Town Council will meet in closed session pursuant to the provisions of Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1) to confer with legal counsel with regard to the following matters of pending litigation:
  - o Asa Huber v. Town of Yucca Valley et al; case number CIVSB2530342

### **Call to Order**

### **Roll Call**

Council Members Denison, Drozd, Lombardo, Mayor Pro Tem Schooler, and Mayor Abel

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Invocation**

### **Presentations, Introductions, Recognitions**

3. California Welcome Center Update presented by Linda Poindexter
4. Public Works Proclamation

### **Approval of Agenda**

5. Agenda Approval

**Recommendation:**

Approve the meeting agenda as prepared.

**Consent Agenda**

All items listed on the consent agenda are routine matters or formal documents covering previous Town Council instruction. Items are enacted by one motion and a second without separate discussion unless a member of the Town Council or Town Staff requests dialog on a specific item at the beginning of the meeting. Requests for public comment on the consent agenda items should be filed with the Town Clerk.

6. Minutes

**Recommendation:**

**Approve the meeting minutes of Tuesday, April 7, 2026 as presented.**

7. AB1234 Reporting Requirements

**Recommendation:**

Receive and file the AB1234 Reporting Requirement Schedule for the month of March 2026.

8. Ratification of Warrant Registers

**Recommendation:**

**Ratify the Payroll Registers totaling \$299,181.36 dated March 13, 2026, and \$338,056.97 dated March 27, 2026. Ratify the Warrant Registers totaling \$3,343,358.96 for the period of March 1, 2026, through March 31, 2026.**

9. Rejection of Claim

**Recommendation:**

**That the Town Council rejects one Claim filed against the Town of Yucca Valley submitted on March 10, 2026, by John R. Ewing III.**

10. Town Project No. 5005: Yucca Valley Senior Center (Desert Willow Center For Seniors) Modernization Phase 2 — Notice of Completion

**Recommendation:**

**That the Town Council accepts the project as substantially complete, authorizes staff to file the Notice of Completion, authorizes the reduction of the Faithful Performance Bond to 10%, and directs staff to retain the Labor and Material Bond for six (6) months for Project No. 5005.**

11. Annual Street & Drainage and Landscape & Lighting Assessment Districts, Approval of Engineer's Reports, and Setting a Public Hearing for June 2, 2026

**Recommendation: That the Town Council adopts the Resolutions:**

- 1. Approving the Engineer's Reports for the existing Assessment Districts and directing the filing of such reports with the Town Clerk.**

2. Adopting Resolution 26-XX, declaring the intention to levy and collect the assessments and setting a public hearing at 5:00 PM on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, in the Yucca Valley Community Center, 57090 29 Palms Highway, Yucca Valley, CA 92284 pursuant to California Streets and Highways Code Sections 22552 and 22553 and Government Code Section 53753.5 to consider the levy of annual assessments upon real property.

12. Approval of New Postage Machine Leases

**Recommendation:**

**That the Town Council:**

1. Award a contract for leasing two new postage machines in the amount of \$632.39, plus tax, per month for 60 months beginning September 2026 to September 2031.
2. Authorize the Town Manager to sign all related documents and make any non-substantive changes.

13. Town Project No. 7073: Yucca Mesa & Buena Vista Intersection Improvement Project – Notice of Completion

**Recommendation:**

**That the Town Council accepts the project as substantially complete, authorizes staff to file the Notice of Completion, authorizes the reduction of the Faithful Performance Bond to 10%, and directs staff to retain the Labor and Material Bond for six (6) months for Project No. 7073.**

14. Treasurer's Report for the Quarter Ending March 31, 2026

**Recommendation:**

**Receive and file the Treasurer's Report for the third quarter of FY2025-26.**

**Public Hearings**

15. Assembly Bill 2561 - Public Hearing on Town Vacancies and Recruitment

**Recommendation:**

**That the Town Council receive and file this review and summary following the Public Hearing.**

**Department Reports**

16. YV ARC Quarterly Project Update

**Recommendation:**

**That the Town Council receive and file the YV ARC quarterly project update.**

17. Western Joshua Tree Legislative Update

**Recommendation:**

**It is recommended that the Town Council receive and file an update on Western Joshua**

**Tree Conservation Act legislation efforts underway in the current state legislative session, and provide input and/or direction as desired.**

18. FY2026-28 Measure Y Partnership Funding Allocations

**Recommendation:**

**It is recommended that the Town Council:**

**- Approve the allocation of the Town's FY2026-28 Measure Y Partnership of \$298,300 to the recommended applicants attached in Exhibit A: FY2026-28 Measure Y Partnership Scorecards.**

19. FY2026-28 Special Revenue Fund Budget Review

**Recommendation:**

**It is recommended that the Council:**

**1. Receive and file the staff presentation of the proposed draft budget for the Special Revenue Funds for fiscal years 2026-28.**

**2. Direct staff to incorporate any desired changes and return the proposed budget for adoption with the implementing resolutions as part of the Town's comprehensive fiscal year 2026-28 Proposed Budget.**

## **Future Agenda Items**

### **Public Comments**

The Town Council takes this time to consider your comments on items of concern which are not on the agenda. When you are called to speak, please state your name and community of residence. Please limit your comments to 3 minutes or less. Inappropriate behavior which disrupts, disturbs, or otherwise impedes the orderly conduct of the meeting will result in forfeiture of your public comment privileges. The Town Council is prohibited by State law from taking action or discussing items not on the printed agenda.

### **Staff Reports and Comments**

#### **Mayor and Council Member Reports and Comments**

Council Member Denison

Council Member Drozd

Council Member Lombardo

Mayor Pro Tem Schooler

Mayor Abel

### **Announcements**

Upcoming Meeting Schedule: The next regular meeting of the Yucca Valley Town Council will be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2026 at 5:00 PM in the Yucca Valley Community Center Yucca Room.