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CIVIC-RECREATIONAL-INDUSTRIAL AUTHORITY  
REGULAR  
MEETING MINUTES  
CITY OF INDUSTRY, CALIFORNIA  
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The Regular Meeting of the Civic-Recreational-Industrial Authority of the City of Industry, California, was called to order by Chairman Eric Benavidez at 9:00 a.m., in the City of Industry Council Chamber, 15651 Mayor Dave Way, California.

**FLAG SALUTE**

The flag salute was led by Board Member McPeak.

**AB 2449 VOTE ON EMERGENCY CIRCUMSTANCES (IF NECESSARY)**

There was no need for AB 2449 vote since there were no Board Members taking part remotely. The webcast was then terminated.

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Eric Benavidez, Chairman  
Sean Lee, Board Member  
Ronald McPeak, Board Member

ABSENT: Ronald Whittemore, Vice Chairman  
Alex Bauman, Board Member

STAFF PRESENT: Joshua Nelson, Executive Director; Bing Hyun, Assistant Executive Director; James M. Casso, General Counsel; Cory Moss, Expo Facility Ops Manager; and Julie Gutierrez-Robles, Secretary.

**PRESENTATIONS**

There were none.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Chair Benavidez asked for a staff report on consent item No. 6.4.

**6.1 CONSIDERATION OF THE REGISTER OF DEMANDS SUBMITTED BY THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT FOR NOVEMBER 12, 2025**

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*RECOMMENDED ACTION:* *Approve the Register of Demands and authorize the appropriate personnel to pay the bills.*

**6.2. CONSIDERATION OF THE REGISTER OF DEMANDS SUBMITTED BY CNC EQUESTRIAN MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR INDUSTRY HILLS EXPO CENTER FOR SEPTEMBER 2025**

*RECOMMENDED ACTION:* *Receive and file.*

Expo Facility Operations Manager Cory Moss noted a correction to register check No. 19440, clarifying that it is a refund and not a security deposit refund.

**6.3 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. CRIA 2025-06, CONFIRMING THE CONTINUED EXISTENCE OF AN EMERGENCY CONDITION AT THE EXPO CENTER, AND DECLARING THAT THE PUBLIC INTEREST AND NECESSITY REQUIRE CERTAIN WORK TO BE PERFORMED WITHOUT FORMAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE SECTION 22050 AND SECTION 3.52.110 OF THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL CODE**

*RECOMMENDED ACTION:* *Adopt Resolution No. CRIA 2025-06.*

**6.4 CONSIDERATION OF AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR PUBLIC BIDS FOR CONTRACT NO. EXPO-2145, AUDIO, VIDEO AND LIGHTING UPGRADES AT GRAND ARENA, FOR AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$9,266,425.00 (MP 01-34 #33)**

*RECOMMENDED ACTION:* *Approve the plans and specifications and authorize the solicitation of public bids.*

Sr. Director of Engineering, James Cramsie from CNC Engineering provided staff report and was available to answer any questions.

Board Member McPeak inquired whether there are any plans to expand seating at the arena.

Expo Facility Operations Manager, Cory Moss responded that staff have explored ideas to add additional seating on both the east and west sides of the arena.

Executive Director Joshua Nelson clarified that the current project is focused on audio, video, and lighting improvements; however, staff will also consider potential seating expansion opportunities.

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Chair Benavidez inquired about the project timeline and how it would be coordinated with scheduled events at the arena.

Expo Facility Operations Manager, Cory Moss responded that staff will coordinate closely with contractors and schedule the work around existing and planned events at the arena.

Chair Benavidez inquired whether additional lighting is needed in the hallways. Contract Electric Utility Director Dev Birla from CNC Engineering responded that staff will evaluate the need for additional lighting.

Executive Director Joshua Nelson added that staff should also review areas where 30- to 40-foot extension cords are currently being used.

Executive Director Joshua Nelson reported that he and Expo Facility Operations Manager Cory Moss will be attending an Olympic planning meeting. He explained that discussions will include the concept of "live sites," which would allow the public to view Olympic games or events in real time at designated locations if they are unable to get tickets.

Chairman Benavidez asked if there were any comments or questions from the Authority regarding the Consent Calendar. There were none.

MOTION BY BOARD MEMBER LEE, AND SECOND BY BOARD MEMBER MCPEAK TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR. MOTION CARRIED 3-0, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:	BOARD MEMBERS:	LEE, MCPEAK, C/BENAVIDEZ
NOES:	BOARD MEMBERS:	NONE
ABSENT:	BOARD MEMBERS:	BAUMAN, VC/WHITTEMORE
ABSTAIN:	BOARD MEMBERS:	NONE

### **ACTION ITEMS**

**7.1 PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION REGARDING THE CIVIC-RECREATIONAL-INDUSTRIAL AUTHORITY'S FINANCIAL REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 30, 2025.**

*RECOMMENDED ACTION:*

*Receive and file the report.*

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Dean Yamagata from Frazier LLP provided a staff report regarding the Financial Report for October 31, 2025. He was available to answer any questions.

Chairman Benavidez asked if there were any comments or questions from the Authority regarding Item No. 7.1. There were none.

MOTION BY BOARD MEMBER MCPEAK, AND SECOND BY BOARD MEMBER LEE TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORT. MOTION CARRIED 3-0, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:	BOARD MEMBERS:	LEE, MCPEAK, C/BENAVIDEZ
NOES:	BOARD MEMBERS:	NONE
ABSENT:	BOARD MEMBERS:	BAUMAN, VC/WHITTEMORE
ABSTAIN:	BOARD MEMBERS:	NONE

## 7.2 UPDATE ON THE EXPO CENTER

*RECOMMENDED ACTION:* *Receive and file.*

Cory Moss, Expo Facility Ops Manager, provided a staff report and a handout on the recent events that have taken place at the Expo Center and was available to answer any questions.

Chairman Benavidez asked if there were any comments or questions from the Authority regarding Item No. 7.2. There were none.

MOTION BY BOARD MEMBER LEE, AND SECOND BOARD MEMBER MCPEAK TO RECEIVE AND FILE. MOTION CARRIED 3-0, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:	BOARD MEMBERS:	LEE, MCPEAK, C/BENAVIDEZ
NOES:	BOARD MEMBERS:	NONE
ABSENT:	BOARD MEMBERS:	BAUMAN, VC/WHITTEMORE
ABSTAIN:	BOARD MEMBERS:	NONE

**PUBLIC HEARINGS-NONE**

**CLOSED SESSION-NONE**

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**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMUNICATIONS**

There were none.

**AB 1234 REPORTS**

There were none.

**BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS**

Board Member Lee wanted to invite everyone to the Toy Drive November 22, 2025, at the EXPO Center.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were none.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Civic-Recreational-Industrial Authority adjourned at 9:25 a.m.



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Julie Gutierrez-Robles, Secretary



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Eric Benavidez, Chairman