



CITY OF ONTARIO

Special City Council/Housing Authority Meeting FEBRUARY 20, 2025

City Hall

303 East B Street, Ontario, CA 91764

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Speakers will be alerted when they have 1 minute remaining and when their time is up. Speakers are then to return to their seats and no further comments will be permitted.

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Remarks from those seated or standing in the back of the chamber will not be permitted. All those wishing to speak including Council and Staff need to be recognized by the Chair before speaking.

ACCOMMODATIONS

If you need special assistance or accommodations to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Clerk's office at 909-395-2009. Notification of 48 hours prior to the meeting will help the City make reasonable arrangements. Equipment for the hearing impaired is available in the Records Management Office.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Special Meeting of the City Council and Housing Authority begins with Public Comment at 5:00 p.m. immediately followed by the Study Session.

CALL TO ORDER (OPEN SESSION)

Wapner, Bowman, Porada, Macias, Mayor/Chairman Leon

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor pro Tem Wapner

PUBLIC COMMENTS

5:00 P.M.

The Public Comment portion of the Council/Housing Authority meeting is limited to 30 minutes. An opportunity for further Public Comment may be given at the end of the meeting. Under provisions of the Brown Act, Council is prohibited from taking action on oral requests.

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STUDY SESSION

1. JAY LITTLETON BALL PARK STUDY SESSION

That the City Council hear a presentation regarding conceptual plans for Jay Littleton Ball Park and review corresponding reports.

ADJOURNMENT

CITY OF ONTARIO

Agenda Report
February 20, 2025

SECTION:
STUDY SESSION

Department: Community Life & Culture
Prepared By: Marina Medina
Staff Member Presenting: Helen McAlary,
Executive Director Community Life and Culture
Reviewed By: Lacey A Rightmer
Approved By: 

Submitted To: Council/OHA
Approved: _____
Continued To: _____
Denied: _____
Item No: 1

SUBJECT: JAY LITTLETON BALL PARK STUDY SESSION

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council hear a presentation regarding conceptual plans for Jay Littleton Ball Park and review corresponding reports.

THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL GOALS ARE BEING ACHIEVED:

Operate in a Businesslike Manner

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no direct fiscal impact associated with this study session. Any direction from the study session, including financial commitments for the selected conceptual plan for Jay Littleton Ball Park, will be brought to the City Council for approval at a later date.

BACKGROUND & ANALYSIS: At the December 17, 2024 City Council Meeting, the City Council requested a study session on the future of Jay Littleton Ball Park.

Built in 1937, Jay Littleton Ball Park was a historic venue featuring a U-shaped grandstand with exterior wooden siding that accommodated 3,500 spectators. On August 22, 2024, the historic Jay Littleton Ball Park succumbed to a fire in the late-night hours.

Beginning in 2020, the Jay Littleton Ball Park was closed for Baseball permits due to the condition of the wooden bleachers. While awaiting repair of the wooden bleachers, the outfield and dugouts were utilized for a TV commercial and occasional outdoor events that strictly incorporated the turf outfield.

Prior to the fire, the historic ballfield was a cherished community landmark. It hosted various activities, including local Little League games, film and television production, and small-scale special events hosted by the Ontario Recreation & Community Services Department. The iconic Jay Littleton Ball Park was a monumental piece of history in Ontario.

During this study session, Staff will present three conceptual plans for the Jay Littleton Ball Park at John Galvin Park. Each option offers unique advantages and challenges, particularly related to programming potential. The historic conceptual design maintains the site's culture, with a focus on

baseball. The community center offers robust programming potential, and the multi-purpose fields provide flexibility for various sports and revenue generation.