CITY OF MORENO VALLEY

The City of Moreno Valley was incorporated as a General Law City on December 3, 1984, merging the communities of Moreno, Sunnymead and Edgemont. It is organized under the statutes of the State of California and governed by the California Constitution.

The City of Moreno Valley spans 51.3 square miles with a population of 215,387 (https://morenovalleybusiness.com/data/)

CITY COUNCIL

The City Council consists of four Councilmembers, elected by and from a District that covers a particular geographic area of the City. The City Council also includes a Mayor who is elected at large.

Councilmembers serve four-year staggered terms and the Mayor serves a two-year term. City Council elections are held in even-numbered years.

The City Council is the lawmaking branch of the City, also known as the "Legislative Body." The City Council is empowered to set policy and enact municipal laws through the adoption of resolutions and ordinances respectively. The City Council is also empowered to approved administrative matters, such as, but not limited to contracts, by minute order.

The City Council also serves as the Legislative Bodies of the following "Affiliated Agencies": Community Services District, City as Successor Agency for the Redevelopment Agency, Housing Authority, Public Financing Corporation, Public Financing Authority and the City's Library Branches. In addition, the City Council serves as the Board of Directors for the Moreno Valley Community Foundation, a non-profit corporation created by the City.

The City Council receives advice and assistance from the following "Advisory Bodies": Planning Commission, Accessibility Appeals Board, Arts Commission, Environmental and Historical Preservation Board, Library Commission, Parks Community Services and Trails Committee, Senior Citizens Board, Traffic Safety Commission, Utilities Commission, Emerging Leaders Council, and Veteran's Commission.

CITY ADMINISTRATION

The City operates under a Council-Manager form of government. The City Council appoints the City Manager, City Attorney and City Clerk.

The City Manager administers the day-to-day affairs of the City, hires and fires city employees, and performs such other functions as the City Council chooses to authorize by contract, resolution, or ordinance. The City Manager also serves as the Executive Director for all the Affiliated Agencies.

The City Attorney's duties include framing ordinances and regulations and providing other legal advice and may include prosecuting misdemeanors committed within the City arising out of violation of state law with the consent of the District Attorney.

The City Clerk administers democratic processes such as elections, access to City records, and all legislative actions, and acts as a compliance officer for various state statutes such as the Political Reform Act, the Brown Act, and the Public Records Act.

MEETINGS

The City Council and the Legislative Bodies of the Affiliated Agencies hold regular open and public meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of each month in the Council Chamber at 6:00 p.m., unless cancelled. Study sessions are scheduled for the second Tuesday of the month, also at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Closed Sessions and Special Meetings are scheduled as needed.

Regular City Council meetings are broadcast live on Moreno Valley's cable television channel, MV3 (Channel 3), YouTube, and City website. The meetings are re-broadcast regularly (check listings for time and day). Meetings can also be viewed on the City's Web site at www.moval.org or on the City's social media platforms.

AGENDAS AND STAFF REPORTS

Agendas and staff reports for regular City Council meetings are available to the public five days before the Tuesday meeting, and can be obtained from the City's website at www.moval.org. Agendas for Study Sessions and Closed Session meetings are generally available the Thursday before the Tuesday meeting. For Special Meetings, agendas and staff reports (if any) are made available for public review at least 24 hours prior to the Special Meeting.

COMPENSATION

Councilmembers currently receive a monthly compensation of $1,762.00 (Moreno Valley Municipal Code Section 2.04.050). The Mayor receives an additional $600 per month (MVMC 2.04.055). In their capacity as Board Members of the Moreno Valley Community Services District, Council Members receive $100 per meeting attended, not to exceed six meetings per month. There is no additional compensation for serving on the Legislative Bodies of the City as Successor Agency for the Redevelopment Agency, Housing Authority, Moreno Valley Public Facilities Financing Corporation, the Moreno Valley Public Financing Authority, the Board of Library Trustees, or the Moreno Valley Community Foundation.

Councilmembers also participate in the City's "cafeteria" benefit plan and may participate in the City's deferred compensation plan and retirement plan.

APPOINTMENTS TO OTHER BODIES

Councilmembers also serve on various Standing Committees, which currently include the Finance Committee, Economic Development Committee, Public Safety Committee, and Parks and Community Services Committee, and the Homeless Ad Hoc Committee. In addition, Councilmembers serve as liaisons to various advisory boards, committees and commissions which currently include the following:

- Accessibility Appeals Board (Inactive)
- Emerging Leaders Council
- Environmental and Historical Preservation Commission
- Library Commission
- Parks, Community Services and Trails Commission
- Planning Commission
- Public Arts Commission
- Senior Citizens' Commission
- Traffic Safety Commission
- Utilities Commission
- Veteran's Commission

Some Councilmembers are also appointed to serve on certain Regional Commissions, Committees and Boards, which currently include the following:

- March Joint Powers Commission
- Riverside County Habitat Conservation Agency Board of Directors
- Riverside County Transportation Commission
- Riverside Transit Agency Board of Directors
- Western Riverside Council of Governments Executive Committee
- Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority Board of Directors
- School District/City Joint Task Force
- Southern California Association of Governments