



GARDENA ECONOMIC BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMISSION

Regular GEBAC Meeting Notice and Agenda

Website: www.cityofgardena.org

Wednesday, July 16, 2025 – 11:30 AM

Nakaoka Community Center, 2nd Floor, Room D

If you would like to participate in this meeting, you can participate via the following options:

1. **PARTICIPATE BEFORE THE MEETING** by emailing the Gardena Board/Commission/Committee at publiccomment@cityofgardena.org two (2) hours before the meeting starts on the day of the meeting and write "Public Comment" in the subject line.

2. **ATTEND THE MEETING IN PERSON**

PUBLIC COMMENT: The Gardena Board/Commission/Committee will hear from the public on any item on the agenda or any item of interest that is not on the agenda at the following times:

- Agenda Items: At the time the Board/Commission/Committee considers the item or during Public Comment
- If you wish to address the Gardena Board/Commission/Committee, please complete a "Speaker Request" form and present it to staff. You will be called upon when it is your turn to address the Board/Commission/Committee. The Board/Commission/Committee cannot legally take action on any item not scheduled on the Agenda. Such items may be referred for administrative action or scheduled on a future Agenda. Members of the public wishing to address the Board/Commission/Committee will be given three (3) minutes to speak.

The City of Gardena, in complying with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), requests individuals who require special accommodations to access, attend and/or participate in the City meeting due to disability, to please contact the City Clerk's Office by phone (310) 217-9565 or email cityclerk@cityofgardena.org at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled general meeting to ensure assistance is provided. Assistive listening devices are available.

STANDARDS OF BEHAVIOR THAT PROMOTE CIVILITY AT ALL PUBLIC MEETINGS

- Treat everyone **courteously**;
- Listen to others **respectfully**;
- Exercise **self-control**;
- Give **open-minded** consideration to all viewpoints;
- Focus on the issues and **avoid personalizing debate**; and
- **Embrace respectful disagreement** and dissent as democratic rights, inherent components of an inclusive public process, and tools for forging sound decisions.

Thank you for your attendance and cooperation.

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

2. **ROLL CALL**

1. Josh Bettencourt, Chair
2. Paul Giuliano, Vice-Chair
3. Gene Hale
4. Jules Laross Kanhan
5. Naresh Solanki
6. Moe Shemirani
7. Kale Morita
8. Gilbert Bernal, Jr.
9. Christyna Giles Washington
10. Donald Penegar

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

This is the time where the public may address the Gardena Economic Business Advisory Commission on items that are not on the agenda, but within the Gardena Economic Business Advisory Commission jurisdiction. Comments should be limited to three minutes.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

5.A May 21, 2025

[GEBAC_Minutes 05-21-2025 - FINAL.pdf](#)

6. **NEW BUSINESS / MEMBER INITIATIVES**

6.A Introduction of a New Commissioner - Donald Penegar

6.B Discussion of the Draft Bylaws

[DRAFT GEBAC BYLAWS](#)

7. **CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS**

8. **STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

9. **COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS**

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Gardena Economic Business Advisory Commission will adjourn to the next meeting at 11:30 AM on September 17th, 2025.

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the

foregoing agenda was posted in the City Hall lobby not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting. A copy of said Agenda is available on our website at www.CityofGardena.org.

Dated this 11th day of July 2025.

/s/ MINA SEMENZA
MINA SEMENZA, City Clerk