



# **Meeting Agenda**

Minutes

Monday, March 16, 2026 at 6:00 pm

621 11th Street, Fortuna CA

## **Regular Meeting Agenda**

**Zoom Option: 1-669-900-9128 Meeting ID 916 8898 2206 Password 846531**

- We May Disagree, But We Will Be Respectful of One Another
- All Comments Will Be Directed to the Issue at Hand, and Addressed to the City Council
- Personal Attacks are Unacceptable
- The City Council May Take Action on any Item on this Agenda.

### **1. CALL TO ORDER / FLAG SALUTE / ROLL CALL**

#### **Minutes:**

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and led the flag salute.  
ROLL CALL: Council Member Conley - Present, Council Member Diaz - Present,  
Council Member Stevens - Present, Mayor Pro Tem Trent - Present, Mayor Johnson - Present

### **2. ORAL COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

#### **Minutes:**

PUBLIC COMMENT: There being no public comments, Mayor Johnson closed the public comment section.

### **3. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS**

#### **a. Community Health Assessment in Fortuna presented by Humboldt County Department of Health & Human Services Public Health Branch**

#### **Minutes:**

Humboldt County Department of Health & Human Services employees Sofia Pereira and Marian Strong provided a presentation on the Community Health Assessment in Fortuna.

### **4. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Minutes:**

PUBLIC COMMENT: There being no public comment, Mayor Johnson closed the public comment section.

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Council Member Conley moved, seconded by Council Member Diaz, to approve consent calendar items a-h and j-n.

AYES: Council Members Conley, Diaz, Stevens, Mayor Pro Tem Trent, Mayor Johnson

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None MOTION CARRIED: 5/0

Council Member Conley pulled Consent item i, and questioned whether the police department could lose money if the application did not get approved by the United States Department of Agriculture, and staff assured him the City would not lose money.

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Council Member Conley moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Trent, to approve consent calendar item i.

AYES: Council Members Conley, Diaz, Stevens, Mayor Pro Tem Trent, Mayor Johnson

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None MOTION CARRIED: 5/0

- a. **City Council Minutes – March 2, 2026 (Regular Meeting) & March 2, 2026 (Special Meeting)**
- b. **Administrative Department Monthly Report**
- c. **Community Development Department Monthly Report**
- d. **Finance Department Monthly Report**
- e. **Parks & Recreation Monthly Report**
- f. **Police Department Monthly Report**
- g. **Public Works Monthly Report**
- h. **Report of Disbursements**
- i. **Approve Submitting a Grant Application to the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development Loan and Grant Assistance Program Application for Police Vehicles**
- j. **Receive the 2025 General Plan and Housing Element Annual Progress Reports and Direct Staff to Submit Reports to the California Department of Housing and Community Development and Governor's Office of Planning and Research**
- k. **Approve Amended and Restated Joint Powers Agreement with the Redwood Region Economic Development Commission**
- l. **Ratify the Fortuna Fire Protection District's Ordinance No. 2025/2026-1 Adopting the 2025 California Fire Code, Title 24, Part 9, Based on the 2024 International Fire Code, Resolution 2026-06**
- m. **Approve a Facility Use Agreement with Humboldt Fastpitch**
- n. **Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Eel River Valley Official's Association**

**5. CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS**

- a. **Public Hearing: Second Reading and Adoption of a Zoning Map Amendment for Assessor's Parcel Number 040-172-009 from Retail Commercial to Commercial Thoroughfare, and Find the Project Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act, Ordinance 2026-783**

**Minutes:**

PUBLIC COMMENT: There being no public comment, Mayor Johnson closed the public comment section.

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Council Member Diaz moved, seconded by Council Member Council Member Conley, to hold the second reading and adopt Ordinance 2026-783, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Fortuna Approving a Zoning Map Amendment from Retail Commercial to Commercial Thoroughfare for Assessor's Parcel Number 040-172-009 and Finding the Project Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. Roll Call vote.

AYES: Council Members Conley, Diaz, Stevens, Mayor Pro Tem Trent, Mayor Johnson NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None MOTION CARRIED: 5/0

**b. Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Fortuna Union High School District for Shared Use of Facilities and Authorize the City Manager to Execute**

**Minutes:**

PUBLIC COMMENT: There being no public comment, Mayor Johnson closed the public comment section.

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Council Member Conley moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Trent, to approve and authorize the City Manager to execute an MOU between the City of Fortuna and the Fortuna Union High School District for shared use of facilities. Voice vote.

AYES: Council Members Conley, Diaz, Stevens, Mayor Pro Tem Trent, Mayor Johnson NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None MOTION CARRIED: 5/0

**c. Receive and File the Fortuna Business Improvement District's Annual Report and By-Law Amendments**

**Minutes:**

City Manager Amy Nilsen, amended business item c, by removing by-law amendments.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There being no public comment, Mayor Johnson closed the public comment section.

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Council Member Conley moved, seconded by Council Member Diaz, to receive and file the FBID Annual Report as presented and provide direction on the proposed changes to assessment. Voice vote.

AYES: Council Members Conley, Diaz, Stevens, Mayor Pro Tem Trent, Mayor Johnson NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None MOTION CARRIED: 5/0

**6. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

**Minutes:**

City Manager Amy Nilsen provided a verbal report.

**7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**Minutes:**

Council Member Conley moved, seconded by Council Member Diaz, to bring forward an item at a future Council meeting to discuss pedestrian access and connectivity.

Motion passed. 5/0

## **8. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

- a. Council Member Kyle Conley
- b. Council Member Carlos Diaz
- c. Council Member Abe Stevens
- d. Mayor Pro Tem Tami Trent
- e. Mayor Mike Johnson

## **9. ADJOURN**

### **Minutes:**

Mayor Pro Tem Trent moved, seconded by Council Member Conley to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 pm. MOTION CARRIED: 5/0