



Meeting Agenda

Minutes

Monday, May 18, 2026 at 6:00 pm

621 11th Street, Fortuna CA

Regular Meeting Agenda

Zoom Option: 1-669-900-9128 Meeting ID 882 9561 3744 Password 578356

- 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 - Absent, Council Member Stevens - Present, Mayor Pro Tem Trent - Present, Mayor Johnson - Present

2. PRESENTATIONS / PROCLAMATIONS

a. Older Americans Month Proclamation

Minutes:

Mayor Johnson read and presented the Older Americans Month Proclamation to Area 1 Agency on Aging staff member Rosana Bruhnke.

b. National Police Week Proclamation

Minutes:

Mayor Pro Tem Trent read and presented the Nation Police Week Proclamation to Chief of Police Matt Eberhardt.

3. ORAL COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Minutes:

Public Comments: New resident of Fortuna, Ben Miller.

There being no additional public comments, Mayor Johnson closed the public comment section.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

Minutes:

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

Mayor Pro Tem Trent pulled Consent Item I and asked Finance Director Aaron Felmlee to briefly talk about the audit.

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Council Member Conley moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Trent, to approve consent calendar items a-k. Voice vote. AYES: Council Members Conley, Stevens, Mayor Pro Tem Trent, Mayor Johnson NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Council Member Diaz MOTION CARRIED: 4/0

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Mayor Pro Tem Trent moved, seconded by Council Member Conley, to approve consent calendar Item I. Voice vote. AYES: Council Members Conley, Stevens, Mayor Pro Tem Trent, Mayor Johnson NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Council Member Diaz MOTION CARRIED: 4/0

- a. **City Council Minutes – April 30, 2026 (Special Meeting Workshop), May 4, 2026 (Regular Meeting), & May 4, 2026 (Special Budget Workshop)**
- 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. **Humboldt Domestic Violence Services – Bingo Permit Application**
- j. **Review and Approve Mayor's Recommendation of Appointee to the Planning Commission**
- k. **Declaration of Surplus Personal Property and Authorization to Dispose of Surplus Personal Property, Resolution 2026-16**
- l. **City of Fortuna Basic Financial Statement Audit for the year ended June 30, 2025**

5. CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS

- a. **Public Hearing for the Adoption of Rates and Fees for City Services, Resolution 2026-18**

Minutes:

Finance Director Aaron Felmlee provided a staff report on the proposed rates and fees for City services for FY 2026-27.

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 adopt Resolution 2026-18, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Fortuna Establishing a Schedule of Fees and Charges for

Administrative, Building, Community Development, Parks & Recreation, Police, River Lodge, Transit, and Water & Wastewater within the City of Fortuna for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. Roll Call vote. AYES: Council Members Conley, Stevens, Mayor Pro Tem Trent, Mayor Johnson NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Council Member Diaz MOTION CARRIED: 4/0

b. Adopt the Humboldt County Regional Climate Action Plan as the City of Arcata's Climate Action Plan and Making California Environmental Quality Act Findings as a Responsible Agency, Resolution 2026-17

Minutes:

Senior Planner Katey Schmidt provided a staff report on adopting the Humboldt County Regional Climate Action Plan.

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 adopt Resolution 2026-17, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Fortuna Adopting the Humboldt Regional Climate Action Plan as the City of Fortuna's Regional Climate Action Framework and Making Findings as a Responsible Agency Under the California Environmental Quality Act. Roll Call vote. AYES: Council Members Conley, Stevens, Mayor Pro Tem Trent, Mayor Johnson NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Council Member Diaz MOTION CARRIED: 4/0

c. Hiring Freeze Exception for Part-Time Code Compliance Officer I Position

Minutes:

Chief of Police Matt Eberhardt provided a staff report on a hiring freeze exception for a part-time Code Compliance Officer I.

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

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Mayor Pro Tem Trent moved, seconded by Council Member Conley, to approve an exception to the hiring freeze for the Part-Time Code Compliance Officer I Position. Roll Call vote. AYES: Council Members Conley, Stevens, Mayor Pro Tem Trent, Mayor Johnson NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Council Member Diaz MOTION CARRIED: 4/0

6. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Minutes:

City Manager Amy Nilsen provided a verbal report.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Minutes:

None.

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 6:50pm. MOTION CARRIED: 4/0

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