



Meeting Agenda

Minutes

Monday, June 1, 2026 at 6:00 pm

621 11th Street, Fortuna CA

Regular Meeting Agenda

Zoom Option: 1-669-900-9128 Meeting ID 831 4870 8579 Password 154978

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

2. ORAL COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Minutes:

Public Comments: There being no public comments, Mayor Johnson closed the public comment section.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

Minutes:

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 Diaz, to approve the consent calendar. Voice vote. AYES: Council Members Diaz Stevens, Mayor Pro Tem Trent, Mayor Johnson NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Council Member Conley MOTION CARRIED: 4/0

a. City Council Minutes – May 18, 2026 (Regular Meeting)

- b. **Report of Disbursements**
- c. **Approve Biennial Review and Amendments to the City's Conflict of Interest Code, Resolution 2026-20**
- d. **Approve the Full-time Pay Rate Schedule for Fiscal Year 2026-27, Resolution 2026-21**
- e. **Approve the Part Time Pay Rate Schedule for Fiscal Year 2026-27, Resolution 2026-22**
- f. **Approve Side Letters for the Fortuna Police Employees Association, Fortuna Employees Association and Resolution 2026-23 for the Unrepresented Employees for Limited Duration Medical Premium Offset**
- g. **Acceptance of \$10,000 Grant Award from Humboldt Area Foundation and Approval of Supplemental Budget**
- h. **Review and Approve Mayor's Recommendation of Appointee to the Planning Commission**
- i. **Amendment to the Existing Solid Waste Franchise Agreement between Recology and the City of Fortuna**

4. DISCUSSION

a. Community-Generated Economic Development Initiative

Minutes:

PUBLIC COMMENT: Tina Christensen Shannon McWhorter

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

Jon Sapper and Martha Spencer gave a presentation on a community-generated economic development initiative.

COUNCIL ACTION: Mayor Pro Tem Trent moved, seconded by Council Member Diaz to receive and file the presentation and provide conceptual support and endorsement for continued collaboration with the proposed community working group structure to help advance economic development priorities in partnership with the City. Voice vote. AYES: Council Members Diaz, Stevens, Mayor Pro Tem Trent, Mayor Johnson NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Council Member Conley MOTION CARRIED: 4/0

5. CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS

a. Approve a Hiring Freeze Exception for Full-Time Deputy City Engineer Position

Minutes:

Public Works Director Brian Issa provided a staff report on a hiring freeze exception for a full-time Deputy City Engineer. 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 Diaz, to approve an exception to the hiring freeze for the Full-Time Deputy City Engineer position. Roll Call vote. AYES: Council Members Diaz, Stevens, Mayor Pro Tem Trent, Mayor Johnson NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Council Member Conley MOTION CARRIED: 4/0

b. Authorize the City Manager to Award the Annual Water Valve Replacement

Project (CIP 9990) to Wendt Construction and Establish a Maximum Contract Amount of \$297,000 and Approve Supplemental Budget Request for \$202,399

Minutes:

Public Works Director Brian Issa provided a staff report on award of contract for the Annual Water Valve Replacement Project.

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

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: City Council Member Diaz moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Trent, to authorize the City Manager to award the Annual Water Valve Replacement Project (CIP 9990) to Wendt Construction and establish a maximum contract amount of \$297,000. Roll Call vote. AYES: Council Members Diaz, Stevens, Mayor Pro Tem Trent, Mayor Johnson NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Council Member Conley MOTION CARRIED: 4/0

c. Review and Approve the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Five-Year Capital Improvement Program

Minutes:

Public Works Director Brian Issa provided a staff report on Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Five-Year Capital Improvement Program.

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

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: City Council Member Diaz moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Trent, to adopt the FY 2026-2027 Five-Year Capital Improvement Program, and appropriate funding and inclusion of FY 2026-2027 projects into the 2026-2027 overall budget. Roll Call vote. AYES: Council Members Diaz, Stevens, Mayor Pro Tem Trent, Mayor Johnson NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Council Member Conley 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:

Council Member Diaz moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Trent to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 pm. MOTION CARRIED: 4/0

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