



**City Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, January 6, 2026
6:00 PM
531 K Street Eureka, CA 95501**

AGENDA

TELECONFERENCE LOCATION

G. Mario Fernandez
3 Upper O'Connell Street
Dublin 1
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ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor Kim Bergel
Councilmember Leslie Castellano, Ward 1
Councilmember Kati Moulton, Ward 2
Councilmember G. Mario Fernandez, Ward 3
Councilmember Scott Bauer, Ward 4
Councilmember Renee Contreras-DeLoach, Ward 5

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LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The land that Eureka rests on is known in the Wiyot language as Jaroujiji. Past actions by local, State and Federal governments removed the Wiyot and other indigenous peoples from the land and threatened

to destroy their cultural practices. The City of Eureka acknowledge the Wiyot community, their elders both past and present, as well as future generations. This acknowledgement demonstrates the City's commitment to dismantle the ongoing legacies of settler colonialism.

PUBLIC COMMENT

(Limited to 3 minutes each speaker on Closed Session items only)

In-person comments only; Teleconference is not available

CLOSED SESSION - 5:00 P.M.

If closed session items cannot be completed by 5:55 P.M., they will be continued at the conclusion of the regular agenda, provided there is time. If time does not allow then those closed session items will be continued to the next regular meeting.

Conference with legal counsel - existing litigation
City of Eureka, et al., v. Fusion Smoke & Glass LP, et al.
Humboldt County Superior Court, Case No. CV2500926
Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54946.9 (d)(1)

Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation
Ashley Nieman vs. City of Eureka - Humboldt Co. Superior Court Case CV2502427
Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54946.9 (d)(1)

Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation
City of Eureka vs. Zephyr Hospitality LLC and Does 1-10- Humboldt Co. Superior Court Case CV2502596
Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54946.9 (d)(1)

Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation
Brandy Wheeler vs. City of Eureka - Humboldt Co. Superior Court Case CV2501491 Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54946.9 (d)(1)

REGULAR SESSION - 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

A. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

B. PRESENTATIONS

B.1 Home for the Holidays Awards

B.2 Web Accessibility Presentation

C. BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS

D. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

This is the time for members of the public who wish to be heard on matters that do not appear on the Agenda. City Council policy is to limit each speaker to three (3) minutes. Such time allotment or portion thereof shall not be transferred to other speakers. Pursuant to the Brown Act, the City Council may not take action on an item that does not appear on the Agenda

TIME ALLOTMENT FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: A maximum of thirty (30) minutes shall be allotted to receiving public comments at the initial public comment period. If necessary, an additional period shall be allotted to public comments after City Manager Reports, but only if the first 30-minute Public Comment period was not sufficient to allow all those who wished to speak to do so.

The public will be allowed to speak concurrently with the calling of an agenda item following the staff presentation of that item. At the time an item is considered, the Mayor will ask those attending the meeting in person to line up on both sides of the Council Chamber or raise their hands, and for remote participants to use *9 on the telephone or the "raise hand" function in Zoom, if they wish to address the City Council. The maximum amount of time for each person to speak and the total amount of time allotted for each item will be determined based on the number of people indicating an interest in speaking and the amount of business to be conducted on the agenda. In certain circumstances and when necessary to ensure a full opportunity for public input, the Mayor may adjust the amount of time allowed for public input and/or the time allotted for each speaker.

E. COUNCIL REPORTS / CITY-RELATED TRAVEL REPORTS

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearings are scheduled for a time certain of 6:00 P.M. unless noticed otherwise, or as soon thereafter as possible.

G. CONSENT CALENDAR

Notice to the Public: All matters listed under this category are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. Pursuant to City Council Resolution 2011-22, if a member of the public would like an item on the Consent Calendar pulled and discussed separately, the request shall be made to a Councilmember prior to the meeting. Unless a specific request is made by a Councilmember, the Consent Calendar will not be read. There will be no separate discussion of these items.

G.1 Council Minutes

Recommendation: Approve the City Council regular meeting minutes of December 2, 2025 as submitted.

[Minutes_Regular_20251202](#)

G.2 City Attorney Services Agreement

Recommendation: Authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement with Robert Black for City Attorney services for a term from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026

[City Attorney Agenda Item](#)
[CA Agreement_2026](#)

G.3 Mayor's Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Recommendation: Approve the Mayor's appointments and re-appointments to Boards and

Commissions.

[Agenda Summary Boards & Commissions](#)

G.4 Pavement Rehabilitation 2024 Bid No. 2024-17 - Acceptance

Recommendation: Accept Pavement Rehabilitation 2024 Project, Bid No. 2024-14 and authorize the filing of a "Notice of Completion" at the Office of the County Recorder

[Agenda Summary-Acceptance PR-24](#)

G.5 C.A.P.E. Division Allocations

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution of the City Council to de-allocate one Social Services Coordinator classification and allocate one Program Coordinator classification to the City's Classification Plan.

[Agenda Summary_C.A.P.E. Position Reclassifications](#)

[Resolution_CAPE_Reallocation](#)

G.6 Authorize Phase 2 Architect for Eureka Operations Complex

Recommendation: Authorize task order as part of the 2025-2026 On-Call Professional Services Agreement with Nichols Melburg and Rossetto in the amount of \$585,000.00 (not-to-exceed) for Phase 2 design services for the Eureka Operations Complex Project; and Authorize City Engineer to negotiate and execute applicable contract documents; and Authorize corresponding budget allocation in the amount of \$585,000.00.

[Agenda Summary Phase 2](#)

H. LEGISLATIVE ACTION CORRESPONDENCE

Authorize the Mayor or the City Manager to sign correspondence on behalf of the City Council to support/oppose legislation or administrative rules proposed or pending action at the County, State or U.S. government levels.

I. ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

I.1 2025 California Building Standards Code

Recommendation: Waive full reading, read by title only, and adopt Bill No. 1052-C.S., an ordinance of the City of Eureka amending Eureka Municipal Code Title 15, Chapter 150, Sections 150.015 through 150.026, pertaining to the adoption of codes.

[Agenda Summary_Bill No. 1052-C.S.](#)

[Attachment 1 - Bill No. 1052-C.S.](#)

[Attachment 2 - Track Changes Edits to Existing Ordinance](#)

I.2 Amendment to Eureka Municipal Code 92.02 (California Fire Code Amendments)

Recommendation: Waive full reading, read by title only, and adopt Bill No. 1053-C.S., an ordinance of the City of Eureka amending Eureka Municipal Code Title 9, Chapter 90, Section 92.02, pertaining to California Fire Code amendments.

[Agenda Summary_Bill No. 1053-C.S..](#)

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J. REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS

J.1 Request to Begin Research of an Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) Program

Recommendation: Authorization to Begin Research of an Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) Program as per Chapter 104, Military Equipment Use Ordinance; and
Direct staff to present a full program proposal, including operational policies, training standards, and fiscal impact, to the Community Oversight on Police Practices (COPP) board and the Independent Police Auditor for review and input; and
Upon completion of research and consideration of oversight feedback, staff would return to the City Council with a formal request to implement a UAS program if the findings support a demonstrated benefit to the City of Eureka residents and the Eureka Police Department.

[Agenda Summary_ Authorization to Research](#)

J.2 Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) Methodology

Recommendation: Receive a report and provide direction.

[RHNA Methodology Agenda Summary](#)

J.3 2025-26 Strategic Visioning Document

Recommendation: Receive a report and adopt the Strategic Goals and Initiatives for 2025-26,

[Agenda Summary Strategic Visioning](#)

[Strategic Visioning - Priority Area Task](#)

J.4 Mayor Pro-Tem

Recommendation: Elect a Mayor Pro-Tem to serve for 2026.

K. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

This is an opportunity for Council Members request an item be placed on a future agenda for discussion or consideration. Direction to staff for placement of the item must be by majority consensus.

L. CITY MANAGER REPORTS

M. PUBLIC COMMENT CONTINUED

This is a time for public comment to continue should comments exceed the 30 minutes allowed at the beginning of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

If open session items cannot be completed by 9:30 P.M., the meeting may be adjourned to the next regular meeting or Council may vote to extend the meeting.

NOTICES

The numerical order of items on this agenda is for convenience of reference. Items may be taken out of order upon the request and consensus of the Mayor and Council.

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1. We may disagree, but we will be respectful of one another.
2. All comments will be directed to the issue at hand.
3. Personal attacks are unacceptable
4. Applauding or other displays of approval/disapproval are discouraged.

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