



CITY OF NOVATO
CALIFORNIA

**City Council Special Meeting
Closed Session Agenda**

Monday, July 20, 2026 – 5:00 PM

**922 MACHIN AVENUE
NOVATO, CA 94945
and
TELECONFERENCE**

**Mayor
Rachel Farac**

**Mayor Pro Tempore
Kevin Jacobs**

**Councilmembers
Pat Eklund
Sandeep Karkal
Tim O'Connor**

**City Manager
Amy Cunningham**

**City Attorney
Gary Bell**

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The agenda is divided into three main sections and includes other categories covering routine business. All references to "City Council" include those other agencies which may be listed at the top of the Agenda. **The City Council may discuss and/or take action on any or all of the items listed on the agenda irrespective of how the agenda items are described.** The Council may establish and make appointments to a Council committee (made up of two Councilmembers) with respect to any item appearing on this agenda.

Public Participation/Comment Instructions

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- **Written public comments** may be submitted via [eComment](#). Written public comments received more than 3 hours before the start of the meeting will be distributed to the Council prior to the meeting. Written public comments will not be read during the meeting.
 - **In-person public comments** may be made at the meeting, which are held in City Administrative Offices located at 922 Machin Avenue.
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- Join the meeting at: <https://bit.ly/4wPZ1p8>
or

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Meeting ID: 858 3934 4833

Password: 1960

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- You will be asked to enter an email address and name. We request that you identify yourself by name as this will be visible online and will be used to notify you when it is your turn to speak.
- When the Mayor calls for public comment on the item on which you wish to speak, please use the “Raise Hand” feature by clicking on the hand icon at the bottom of your screen to notify the Host that you would like to speak.
- The Host will unmute speakers in turn. Speakers will be notified when it is their turn to speak.
- When called upon, please limit your remarks to the time limit allotted by the Mayor or as specified on the agenda. Speakers will be muted when their time is up.

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The Mayor has the authority to rule any speaker out of order, including speakers during the Public Comment period, if the subject raised is not within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council, or during a public hearing or a general business item if the speaker is not presenting testimony or evidence relevant to the matter or if the speaker becomes disruptive to the proceedings and conduct of the meeting.

The Mayor also has the authority to order any person who willfully interrupts the meeting to be removed. All persons are expected to conduct themselves with civility and courtesy at all times. All persons giving comments shall speak directly to the Council and address issues, not individuals. Personal attacks, cursing and outbursts from the audience in support or opposition to a speaker are not tolerated in order to foster an environment where everyone feels welcome to speak

Closed Captions

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A. CALL TO ORDER

B. PUBLIC COMMENT (ONLY ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS)

C. CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

C.1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
(Gov. Code § 54956.9(d)(2))

One potential case

D. ADJOURNMENT

Materials that are submitted to members of the City Council after the distribution of the agenda packet will be made available to the public at the time it is provided to the City Council.

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

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/Laura McDowall/
Laura McDowall, City Clerk



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