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Meeting Minutes Special City Council

*THE FORT BRAGG CITY COUNCIL MEETS CONCURRENTLY
AS THE FORT BRAGG MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
NO. 1 AND THE FORT BRAGG REDEVELOPMENT
SUCCESSOR AGENCY*

Thursday, June 26, 2025

5:30 PM

Cotton Auditorium, 500 N. Harold Street

MILL SITE WORKSHOP - IN PERSON - LIVE STREAM ON CITY WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Godeke called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM.

ROLL CALL

Panelist: Isaac Whippy, Walter Kieser, Marie Jones, Cristal Munoz, Robert Pinoli, Chris Hart, Burton Miller and Mendocino Railroad Attorney.

Present: 5 - Mayor Jason Godeke, Vice Mayor Marcia Rafanan, Councilmember Tess Albin-Smith, Councilmember Scott Hockett and Councilmember Lindy Peters

1. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

- 1A. [25-266](#) Engaging the Community in Shaping the Direction and Content of the Mill Site Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Through a Collaborative, Transparent Process Focused on Land Use Planning

Mayor Godeke began the workshop by outlining its purpose and reviewing the agenda. City Manager Isaac Whippy provided a summary of the background, explaining that the City Council had made a strategic decision to pursue a collaborative planning-based alternative to the ongoing litigation. This decision led to the workshop, which aims to initiate the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) process.

Mayor Godeke then introduced Consultant Water Keiser, who detailed the contents of the MOU and described the various topics it would cover. He clarified that the MOU is a non-binding agreement with Mendocino Rail, serving as a starting point for this process while aligning with city policy and community input. Additionally, Consultant Marie Jones presented on several related topics.

Members of the public were given three (3) minutes for public comment after each topic.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Godeke adjourned the meeting at 9:23 PM.

JASON GODEKE, MAYOR

Diana Paoli, City Clerk

IMAGED (_____)