



City of Fort Bragg

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Meeting Minutes 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*

Monday, March 9, 2026

6:00 PM

Town Hall, 363 N. Main Street
and Via Video Conference

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Godeke called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

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

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

Mayor Godeke reported that no reportable action was taken on the Closed Session items.

AGENDA REVIEW

None.

1. MAYOR'S RECOGNITIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

1A. [26-95](#) Presentation of Proclamation Honoring the 50th Anniversary of Eggheads

Mayor Godeke read and presented Proclamation Honoring the 50th Anniversary of Eggheads accepted by Becky Parrish and family.

1B. [26-107](#) Presentation of Proclamation Honoring the 40th Anniversary of Northcoast Artists Gallery

Mayor Godeke read and presented the Proclamation Honoring the 40th Anniversary of Northcoast Artists accepted by artists.

1C. [26-96](#) Presentation of Flockworks

Mayor Godeke introduced Director Jeff Totsch of Flockworks who shared a presentation.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON: (1) NON-AGENDA, (2) CONSENT CALENDAR & (3) CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

(1) Jacob Patterson and Jenny Shattuck.

(2) None.

(3) N/A.

3. STAFF COMMENTS

Economic Development Sarah McCormick shared status report of Broadband Project and upcoming Food Truck survey for public input.

4. MATTERS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmembers shared comments regarding Food Trucks and upcoming meetings including Mid-Year Budget meeting, Public Works Committee Meeting, Visit Fort Bragg Committee Meeting, and Parks and Recreation Ad Hoc Meeting, along with Symphony of Redwoods on Saturday and Sunday with free children admission. Shout out was given to Ron White, Chris Strickland, Sal Soria and Alaska Dave regarding cleanup of three headstones at cemetery on Coastal Trail. Also reported were surveys for public input: Economic Development on the Mill Site, Budget Priorities for Fiscal Year 26/27, and upcoming Food Truck survey. Mayor Godeke will be at the Farmer's Market at 3 p.m. for one hour and shared County committees held by same Councilmembers as set forth: Mendocino Council of Governments (MCOG): Vice Mayor Rafanan; Fort Bragg Fire Protection Board: Councilmembers Peters and Hockett; Mendocino Transit Authority (MTA) and Sonoma Clean Power: Councilmember Albin-Smith; and Mendocino Solid Waste Management Authority (MSWMA): Mayor Godeke. Council members are requested to email Mayor Godeke if they are interested in open seat on the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO).

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made by Councilmember Peters, seconded by Vice Mayor Rafanan, that the Consent Calendar be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Godeke, Vice Mayor Rafanan, Councilmember Albin-Smith, Councilmember Peters and Councilmember Hockett

5A. [26-100](#) Adopt City Council Resolution Appointing Representatives to Represent and Vote on Behalf of the City of Fort Bragg at the League of California Cities Annual Conference

This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

Enactment No: RES 5013-2026

5B. [26-120](#) Receive and File Minutes of the Community Development Committee of February 02, 2025

These Committee Minutes were received and filed on the Consent Calendar.

5C. [26-102](#) Receive and File Minutes of the Public Works and Facilities Committee Meeting of January 08, 2026

These Committee Minutes were received and filed on the Consent Calendar.

5D. [26-105](#) Receive and File Minutes of the Public Safety Committee Meeting of January 21, 2026

These Committee Minutes were received and filed on the Consent Calendar.

5E. [26-106](#) Approve Minutes of Special Meeting of February 23, 2026

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.

5F. [26-101](#) Approve Minutes of February 23, 2026

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.

6. DISCLOSURE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS

7. PUBLIC HEARING

8. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

8A. [26-114](#) Turning the Tides: Building Community, Strengthening Neighborhoods and Leading By Example

Mayor Godeke introduced Item 8A. Administrative Assistant Lisi Horstman and Public Experience Liaison Adelaide La Torre presented staff report. Councilmembers asked clarifying questions.

Public Comment: Jenny Shattuck and Paul Clark.

Direction: Council had no objections to the upcoming Kickoff Turning the Tides Event on April 22 and further scheduled meeting before next work week in October. Council shared delight and thanked staff for their idea to lead by example to build a clean community.

8B. [26-113](#) Receive Report and Public Safety Committee Recommendation Regarding Enforcement of Motorized Vehicles including Electric Bicycle Prohibition on the Coastal Trail

Mayor Godeke introduced Item 8B. Police Chief Eric Swift presented staff report. Councilmembers asked clarifying questions.

Public Comment: Jenny Shattuck and Paul Clark.

Direction: Council directed staff to order and install signage on the Coast Trail to align with current Municipal Code for education and risk reduction and further directed staff to research Ordinance amendment to further reduce risk including possible definitions of e-bikes, potential speed limit, yielding to pedestrians, and consulting with Coastal Commission.

8C. [26-115](#) Receive Report and Consider Accepting Certificate of Completion for the 2025 Street Rehab Project (PWP-00132) and Direct City Clerk to File Notice of Completion

Mayor Godeke introduced Item 8C. Assistant Director of Engineering Chantell O'Neal presented staff report. Council asked clarifying questions. City Attorney Baron Bettenhausen replied to legal questions.

Public Comment: Jenny Shattuck.

A motion was made by Councilmember Peters, seconded by Councilmember

Hockett, that the Certificate of Completion be accepted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Godeke, Vice Mayor Rafanan, Councilmember Albin-Smith, Councilmember Peters and Councilmember Hockett

8D. [26-112](#) Receive Report and Consider Accepting the Certificate of Completion for the 2022 Streets Rehabilitation Project (Project No. PWP-00120)

Mayor Godeke introduced Item 8D. Assistant Director of Engineering Chantell O'Neal presented staff report. Councilmembers asked clarifying questions. City Attorney Baron Bettenhausen replied to legal questions.

Public Comment: Jenny Shattuck.

A motion was made by Councilmember Peters, seconded by Councilmember Hockett, that the Certificate of Completion be accepted as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Godeke, Vice Mayor Rafanan, Councilmember Albin-Smith, Councilmember Peters and Councilmember Hockett

9. CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Godeke adjourned the meeting at 8:20 PM.

JASON GODEKE, MAYOR

Diana Paoli, City Clerk

IMAGED (_____)