



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, April 27, 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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

None.

AGENDA REVIEW

None.

1. MAYOR'S RECOGNITIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

1A. [26-181](#) Presentation of Proclamation Declaring May 1 - 8, 2026 as Rhododendron Week

Attachments: [16- Rhododendron Week](#)

Mayor Godeke read and presented Proclamation Declaring May 1 - 8, 2026 as Rhododendron Week to the Noyo Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society.

1B. [26-191](#) Presentation of Proclamation Honoring the 20th Anniversary of Cafe 1

Attachments: [18- Cafe 1 20th](#)

Councilmember Albin-Smith read and presented Proclamation Honoring the 20th Anniversary of Cafe 1 to the Can Family.

1C. [26-192](#) Presentation of Proclamation Honoring the 35th Anniversary of KOZT "The Coast"

Attachments: [17-KOZT 35th](#)

Councilmember Peters read and presented Proclamation Honoring the 35th Anniversary of KOZT "The Coast" to Vicky Watts, Tom Yates and Staff.

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

- (1) Monica Lynne, Dennis Miller, Sabine Hahnbueck, Ron White, David Gurney, Jacob Patterson, Jay Rosenquist, Paul Clark, and Andrew Jordan.
- (2) None.
- (3) N/A.

3. STAFF COMMENTS

Police Chief shared upcoming Meet the City Manager and Police Chief on April 25, 2026, at Town Hall. City Clerk Diana Paoli shared upcoming June 2, 2026, Primary Election ballots will be mailed by County Clerk on or before May 4, 2026. Options to vote and return ballots: U.S. Mail at least a week in advance of Election Day, City Hall Ballot Box and In Person on Election Day-June 2, 2026. Last Day to Register to Vote is May 18, 2026.

4. MATTERS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmembers shared topics at recent Cal Cities Conference in Sacramento; upcoming meetings and events: Fort Bragg Fire Protection meeting, Mendocino Transit Authority meeting, Community Development Committee Meeting and Fort Bragg Blues Festival. Mayor Godeke will be at the Farmer's Market May 27, 2026, at 3 p.m.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval of the Consent Calendar

A motion was made by Councilmember Peters, seconded by Councilmember Hockett, 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. [26-200](#)** Adopt Resolution of the Fort Bragg Municipal Improvement District Board Approving Emergency Sewer Repairs at North Harbor Drive and Authorizing City Manager to Execute Contract with Akeff Construction Services, Inc. (Amount not to Exceed \$19,450); and Authorize Budget Amendment 2025/26-11; Categorical Exemption 15301

Attachments: [Att 1 - RESO N Harbor Emergency Sewer](#)

[Att 2 - Budget Amendment 2025-26-11](#)

[Att 3 - Akeff Quote](#)

This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

Enactment No: RESO 5022-2026/ RES ID 503-2026

- 5B. [26-160](#)** Accept Certificate of Completion for the Police Department Security Retrofit Project and Direct City Clerk to File Notice of Completion

Attachments: [Notice of Completion](#)
[Att 1 - Exhibit A Certificate of Completion](#)

This Certificate of Completion was accepted on the Consent Calendar.

- 5C. [26-196](#)** Adopt Resolution of the Fort Bragg City Council Resolution Approving a List of Projects for Fiscal Year 2026-27 Funded by SB 1: The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017

Attachments: [RESO 2026-27 LSR Project List](#)

This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

Enactment No: RES 5023-2026

- 5D. [26-197](#)** Adopt Resolution of the Fort Bragg City Council Approving First Amendment to Professional Services Agreement with Lumos & Associates for the 30 Percent Design of the LPP Candidate Surface Improvement Project and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Contract Amendment (Amount Not To Exceed \$180,050.00):CEQA Exemption 15301(c)

Attachments: [RESO Lumos 30% Design Contract Amend 1](#)
[Att 1 - Fort Bragg Oak Street Utilities Assessment Proposal](#)
[Att 2 - Lumos and Associates, Inc.30 Percent Design Agreement](#)
[Att 3 - Change Order Summary Table](#)

This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

Enactment No: RES 5024-2026

- 5E. [26-194](#)** Receive and File Minutes of the Community Development Committee Meeting, of March 2, 2026

Attachments: [03022026 CDC Minutes](#)

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

- 5F. [26-198](#)** Receive and File Minutes of the Visit Fort Bragg Committee Meeting of March 10, 2026

Attachments: [VFB MINS 03.10.2026](#)

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

- 5G. [26-190](#)** Approve Minutes of Special Meeting of April 13, 2026

Attachments: [SCC 04132026](#)

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 5H. [26-180](#)** Approve Minutes of April 13, 2026

Attachments: [CCM04132026](#)

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.

6. DISCLOSURE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS

7. PUBLIC HEARING

- 7A. [26-189](#)** Receive Report, Hold a Public Hearing, and Introduce by Title Only, and Waive Further Reading of Ordinances: (1) Ordinance (xxxx-2026) Repealing and Replacing Chapter 15.04 (Construction Codes - Adopted by Reference) and Chapter 15.05 (California Fire Code of Title 15 (Buildings and Construction)) of the Fort Bragg Municipal Code; Adopting and Incorporating the California Administrative Code, California Building Code, California Residential Code, California Electrical Code, California Mechanical Code, California Plumbing Code, California Energy Code, California Historical Building Code, California Existing Building Code, California Green Building Standards Code, California Referenced Standards Code, California Fire Code, California Wildland-Urban Interface Code; and Adopting Local Findings; and Making Other Technical and Administrative Revisions to Title 15; CEQA Exemption 15061 (b)(3); and (2) Ordinance (xxxx-2026) to Amend Chapter 15.06 if the Fort Bragg Municipal Code to Require Sprinkler Installation in Buildings with Building Permits with Cumulative Valuations of \$125,000 or More, Over a Three Year Period; CEQA Exemption 15061 (b)(3)

Attachments: [04272026 Update FBMC Chapter 15.04, 15.05 and 15.06 Staff Report](#)
[Att 1 - ORD - 2025 California Building Standard Code](#)
[Att 2 - ORD - Fire Sprinkler Revision](#)
[Att 3 - Summary of 2025 Title 24 CA Code Changes](#)
[Att 4 - NOPH](#)
[Public Comment](#)

Mayor Godeke introduced Item 7A. Associate Planner Sarah Peters presented Staff Report.

Mayor Godeke opened the public hearing at 7:04 PM.

Public Comment: Paul Clark, Jay Rosenquist, and Jacob Patterson.

Mayor Godeke closed the public hearing at 7:10 PM.

Councilmembers discussed sprinkler language and triggering events to install sprinklers.

A motion was made by Councilmember Peters, seconded by Councilmember Hockett that the Ordinance (Repealing and Replacing Building and Construction Codes) be introduced. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

A motion was made by Councilmember Peters, seconded by Vice Mayor Rafanan,

that the Ordinance (Amending Sprinkler Installation) be introduced. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

8. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

- 8A. [26-204](#)** Receive Report and Provide Direction on Transitioning from Cash Purchase to Fleet Lease Program for City of Fort Bragg Vehicle Replacement and Consider Adoption of Fort Bragg City Council Resolution

Attachments: [04272026 Staff Report](#)

[Att 1 - Vehicle Replacement Plan- Fleet Enterprise](#)

[Att 2 - RESO Fleet Lease Program](#)

Mayor Godeke introduced Item 8A. City Manager Isaac Whippy introduced Enterprise Fleet Consultant Feteu Mulugeta who presented Fleet Lease Program. Councilmembers asked clarifying questions and discussed further.

Public Comment: Dennis Miller, Paul Clark and Andrew Jordan.

A Motion was made by Councilmember Peters, seconded by Vice Mayor Rafanan that this Resolution was adopted by the following vote:

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

Enactment No: RES 5025-2026

- 8B. [26-202](#)** Receive Report and Provide Direction Regarding Various Options to Improve Community Awareness of Large Pending Development Projects in Fort Bragg

Attachments: [04272026 Visual Analysis Staff Report](#)

Mayor Godeke introduced Item 8B. Associate Planner Sarah Peters presented Visual Analysis Report for Consultant Marie Jones. Councilmembers asked clarifying questions.

Public Comment: Dave Skarr, Guy Barnett, David Gurney, Andrew Jordan, Paul Clark, and Jay Rosenquist.

Councilmembers further discussed.

Direction: Councilmembers requested requirements of 3'x4' Project Sign (to be installed within 2 weeks of complete application for new or remodel commercial or multifamily projects unless they are ministerial, with prompt removal after last public hearing); story poles for any project exceeding height of 24 feet or exceeding 5,000 square feet (to be installed within 4 weeks of complete application, with prompt removal after last public hearing); and staff to make best effort to update current projects on website. This applies to both Inland and Coastal zones.

Mayor Godeke recessed the meeting at 8:00 PM; the meeting was reconvened to open session at 8:10 PM.

- 8C. [26-203](#)** Receive Extreme Weather Shelter 25/26 Season Report

Attachments: [04272026 EWS STAFF REPORT 25-26 SEASON](#)

Mayor Godeke introduced Item 8C. Police Chief Eric Swift presented staff report.

Councilmembers asked clarifying questions and the Report was received.
Public Comment: David Gurney, Andrew Jordan, and Paul Clark.

9. CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Godeke adjourned the meeting at 8:54 PM.

JASON GODEKE, MAYOR

Diana Paoli, City Clerk

IMAGED (_____)