



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, November 24, 2025

6:00 PM

Town Hall, 363 N. Main Street
2781 Arland Road, Carlsbad, CA 92008
and Via Video Conference

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Councilmember Albin-Smith appeared by ZOOM per Govt Code Section 54953.

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. [25-493](#) Introduction to New City Employees

Mayor Godeke introduced Item. City Manager, Isaac Whippy introduced Adelaide La Torre, Lisi Horstman, and Stephanie Remington; Director of Broadband, Sage Statham introduced Matt Griffen, Rob Buch, Jerry Moore, Marco Ramos-Cortes, Lorin Ohayon, Crans Squire, Riley Robbers and Frank Hirata; Operations Manager, Heath Daniels introduced John Johnson, Edwin Powers, and Andrew Ryken; and Interim Police Chief Eric Swift introduced Logan James, Keyona Martinez, Mellisa Johnson, Jenny Ponts, Daniella Aguirre, Misha Morandi, Jason Morse and Gage Farris.

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

(1) Unknown person, Sakina Bush, 707Resident, David Gurney, Andrew Jordan, and Jenny Shattuck.

(2) None.

(3) N/A

3. STAFF COMMENTS

City Manager, Isaac Whippy reported City website will provide Mill Site updates and survey will be mailed in December utility bills; Economic Development Office hours are 11 - 2 p.m every Tuesday; Business Roundtable is first Wednesday in Town Hall; Lighted truck parade is Dec 6 at 6 p.m.; Next EZ Zone is First Friday in December with no street closures. Interim Chief Eric Swift provided Flock Cameras update and encouraged anyone to reach out to him regarding further questions. Officers Ferris and James responded to a call regarding an unresponsive subject at Motel CPR and Narcan were administered and life was saved.

4. MATTERS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmembers shared upcoming events and attendance at events including Fire board meeting, Safety Meeting in December; Oneka Presentation in Noyo Harbor and Winter Wonderland. Councilmembers thanked Public Works for hanging Garland and Flower Pots and Mendocino Transit Authority is requesting community input on MTA schedules; Mayor Godeke reported formation of Ad Hoc Committee for Parks and Rec and he will be at Farmer's Market on Dec 17.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval of the Consent Calendar

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

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

5A. [25-494](#) Approve City Council Letter to Mendocino County Superior Court

Attachments: [2025.11.17 Letter to Superior Court](#)

This Letter was approved on the Consent Calendar.

5B. [25-490](#) Resolution of the Fort Bragg City Council Administratively Amending July 1, 2025 Master Salary Rate Compensation Plan and Confirming the Pay Rates and Ranges for All of City of Fort Bragg Classifications

Attachments: [RESO Administrative Amend](#)

[Att 1 - Exhibit A](#)

This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

Enactment No: RES 4986-2025

5C. [25-491](#) Resolution of the Fort Bragg City Council Administratively Amending July 13, 2025, Master Salary Rate Compensation Plan and Confirming The Pay Rates and Ranges for All City of Fort Bragg Established Classifications

Attachments: [RESO Adminstrative Amend 2025.7.13](#)

[Att 1 - Exhibit A](#)

This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

Enactment No: RES 4987-2025

- 5D. [25-492](#) Adopt Fort Bragg City Council Resolution Budget Amendment 2025/26-7, and the Superseding of Resolution 25-4961 to Include Appropriate Account Number

Attachments: [RESO Budget Amendment 2025 26-7](#)
[Att 1 - Exhibit A - Budget Amendment](#)
[Att 2 - Exhibit B RESO 4961](#)

This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

Enactment No: RES 4988-2025

- 5E. [25-481](#) Receive and File Minutes of the Public Works and Facilities Committee Meeting of August 14, 2025

Attachments: [PWF202508.14.](#)

These Committee Minutes were received and filed.

- 5F. [25-499](#) Receive and File Minutes of the Public Safety Committee Meeting of February 19, 2025

Attachments: [PSM2025.02.19](#)

These Committee Minutes were received and filed.

- 5G. [25-497](#) Approve Minutes of Special Meeting of November 10, 2025

Attachments: [SCCM2025.11.10](#)

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 5H. [25-510](#) Approve Minutes of November 10, 2025

Attachments: [CCM2025.11.10](#)

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.

6. DISCLOSURE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

7. PUBLIC HEARING

- 7A. [25-463](#) *The Public Hearing for the following item will be continued to a future date as the City was informed the CDBG Program is moving the Application Portal Opening to February 2026, and Application Deadline to April 2026. Receive a Report, Hold a Public Hearing, and Consider Adopting a Resolution of the Fort*

Bragg City Council Approving an Application for Funding and the Execution of a Grant Agreement and Any Amendments Thereto from the 2025 Funding Year of the State CDBG Program.

Mayor Godeke opened the public hearing at 6:42 PM.

Public Comment: None.

Mayor Godeke reported this item is continued to January 12, 2026.

8. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

8A. [25-501](#) Receive Report and Consider Introducing, by Title Only, and Waive Further Reading of Ordinance xxxx-2026 Amending Section 2.04.060 (Salary Designated) of Chapter 2.04 (City Council) of Title 2 (Administration and Personnel) of the Fort Bragg Municipal Code to Increase the Salaries of City Councilmembers

- Attachments:** [11242025 City Council Salary Staff Report](#)
[Att 1 - ORD Council Salary Update](#)
[Att 2 - Chapter 2.04 CITY COUNCIL](#)
[Att 3 - CA Gov Code 36516](#)

Mayor Godeke introduced Item 8A. City Clerk Diana Paoli presented Staff Report and City Manager Isaac Whippy was also available to answer clarifying questions by Councilmembers. Public comment: Jacob Patterson, Jenny Shattuck, Gabriel Quinn Maroney, Andrew Jordan, Jay Rosenquist, and Judy Valadao.

A motion was made by Councilmember Peters, seconded by Vice Mayor Rafanan, that the Ordinance be Introduced. 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

N/A

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Godeke adjourned the meeting at 7:05 PM.

JASON GODEKE, MAYOR

Diana Paoli, City Clerk

IMAGED (_____)