



CITY OF ARCATA
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

Date: September 17, 2025, 5:00 p.m.
Location: City Manager's Conference Room
736 F Street, Arcata

Present: Mayor Stillman, Vice Mayor White, Councilmember Matthews,
Councilmember Schaefer

Absent: Councilmember Atkins-Salazar

Staff Present: City Manager Perry, Assistant City Manager Miller, Deputy City
Attorney Goldstein (via teleconference), Attorney Schrimp de la
Vergne (via teleconference), City Engineer Khatri

A special meeting of the City Council of the City of Arcata was held on the above date at 5:00 p.m. with Mayor Stillman presiding. Notice of this meeting was posted on September 12, 2025.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stillman called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Stillman invited public comment.

Public comment: Joanne McGarry regarding Item 3-b.

Mayor Stillman closed the public comment period.

3. CLOSED SESSION

- a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1). Name of Case: City of Arcata v. AO Kiriki Ben Tut Malik Silkiss; and Marc Delany, et al., Humboldt County Superior Court, Case number: CV2401719.**

The Council met in closed session in the City Manager's Conference Room.

- b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, Significant Exposure to Litigation, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2): One potential case.**

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- c. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1). Name of Case: Fareed Atiq Ahmed v. City of Arcata, Arcata City Council, et al. Humboldt County Superior Court, Case number: CV2501603.**

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4. **CLOSED SESSION REPORTS**

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The Council entered the Chamber at 5:52 p.m.

RECESS: The Council recessed from 5:52 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Stillman stated that there was nothing to report out from this closed session item.

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5. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhea Varley

City Clerk

