



**CITY OF ARCATA**  
**PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**  
**MINUTES**

**August 12, 2025, 5:30 p.m.**  
**Council Chamber**  
**736 F Street, Arcata**

Present: Commissioner Davies, Ashton Hamm, Commissioner Lehman, Chair  
Simmons, Vice-Chair Strickland, Commissioner Hickey

Absent: Commissioner Tangney

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**a. Land Acknowledgement**

**b. Roll Call**

**2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**3. CONSENT CALENDAR**

On motion by Commissioner Davies and second by Commissioner Lehman, the Commission adopted the Consent Calendar.

Ayes: Davies, Hamm, Hickey, Lehman, Simmons, Strickland

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: Tangney

**Moved by:** Davies

**Seconded by:** Lehman

**PASSED**

**a. Approve the Minutes of the Planning Commission Meeting of July 22, 2025**

**4. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR**

None.

**5. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**6. BUSINESS ITEMS**

- a. Adopt Resolution PC-25-05 Finding the Donation of a Public Access Easement over a Portion of APN 504-201-010 & 504-201-011 in Conformance with the General Plan – CEQA Negative Declaration Adopted December 9, 2022, SCH# 2022110030**

Director Sinkhorn presented a staff report.

No public comment was received.

On motion by Vice-Chair Strickland and second by Commissioner Davies, the Commission adopted Resolution PC-25-05 A Resolution of the City of Arcata Planning Commission Adopting a General Plan Conformance Determination for the Public Access Easement of a Portion of Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District Property with an amendment to reflect that Matt Simmons is the Chair.

Ayes: Davies, Hamm, Hickey, Lehman, Simmons, Strickland

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: Tangney

**Moved by:** Strickland

**Seconded by:** Davies

**PASSED**

- b. Adopt Resolution PC-25-06 Recommending a Community Benefits Program to the City Council; Action Not Subject to Additional CEQA Review**

Deputy Director Dart presented a staff report.

One member of the public spoke on this item.

On motion by Vice-Chair Strickland and second by Commissioner Hickey, the Commission adopted Resolution PC-25-06 A Resolution of the City of Arcata Planning Commission Recommending the City Council Adopt A Community Benefits Program with the recommended changes.

Ayes: Davies, Hamm, Hickey, Lehman, Simmons, Strickland

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: Tangney

**Moved by:** Strickland  
**Seconded by:** Hickey

**PASSED**

**7. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by order of the Chair at 6:24 p.m.