



**CITY OF ARCATA  
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING  
MINUTES**

**January 27, 2026, 5:30 p.m.  
Council Chamber  
736 F Street, Arcata**

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

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 Vice-Chair Strickland and second by Commissioner Hamm, the Commission adopted the Consent Calendar by majority vote.

Ayes: Hamm, Lehman, Simmons, Strickland

Noes: None

Abstentions: Hickey

Absent: Tangney

Commissioner Hickey abstained from the vote due to not being an appointed Commissioner during the January 13, 2026, meeting.

**Moved by:** Strickland

**Seconded by:** Hamm

**PASSED**

- a. **Approve the Minutes of the Planning Commission Meeting of January 13, 2026**

**4. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR**

None.

**5. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

**6. BUSINESS ITEMS**

- a. **Consider Adopting the 2025 Planning Commission Annual Report and Authorizing the Chair to Present the Report to the City Council**

Director Loya presented a staff report.

No public comment was received.

On motion by Vice-Chair Strickland and second by Commissioner Hickey, the Commission adopted the 2025 Planning Commission Annual Report as amended and authorized the Chair to present the report to the City Council.

Ayes: Hamm, Hickey, Lehman, Simmons, Strickland

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: Tangney

**Moved by:** Strickland

**Seconded by:** Hickey

**PASSED**

- b. **Provide Direction on the Local Coastal Program Comprehensive Update**

Director Loya presented a staff report.

No public comment was received.

The Commission agreed to changes in the Local Coastal Program update and expressed support for Commercial Visitor Serving option 2 which provides a larger area potentially subject to the standard with specific triggers.

**7. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by order of the Chair at 6:26 p.m.