MINUTES OF
EUREKA CITY COUNCIL

September 19, 2026

The City Council of the City of Eureka met in REGULAR Session on the above date, 5:00 P.M. Closed Session, 6:00 P.M. Open Session, at the Eureka City Hall, Council Chambers, 531 “K” Street, Eureka.

REGULAR SESSION - 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Renee Contreras-DeLoach
Scott Bauer
G. Mario Fernandez
Leslie Castellano (Mayor Pro Tem)
Kati Moulton

ABSENT: Kim Bergel

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION: No Closed Session.

A) MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

A.1 Proclamation Honoring Michelle McKeegan, Keep Eureka Beautiful- Councilmember Bauer read a Proclamation-Michelle McKeegan, Keep Eureka Beautiful.

Mayor Pro Tem Castellano shared about Honoring the Legacy of David Cobb and Mary Gelinas.

A.2 Proclamation- National PACE Month - Councilmember Fernandez presented a Proclamation- National PACE Month

B) PRESENTATIONS:

B.1 Operations Complex Project Update - Special Projects Manager Katie Marsolan provided a report.

B.2 Feasibility Study for the Elk River Wastewater Treatment Plant - Director Jesse Willor provided a report.

C) BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS: None

D) PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Misty
Anonymous
Kathleen
Joann McGarry
Phyliss
Troy Ritchie
Jennifer

E) COUNCIL REPORTS / CITY-RELATED TRAVEL REPORTS:

Councilmember Contreras-DeLoach, had no report, celebrated her 50th Birthday.

Councilmember Bauer, acknowledged 25th Anniversary of 9/11, participated in stair climb. Attended Redwood Empire Division of CalCities, reelected for Board of Directors, Redwood Coast Mountain Bike Race.

Councilmember Fernandez, will meet with ECS 2x2, REDEC meeting, 2x2 with Humboldt Community Services District, interview with Lost Coast Outpost, will try to attend North State Emergency Conference.

Councilmember Moulton, no travel to report. Attended Arts Alive, met with Personnel Board, unable to attend HBF Meeting, will attend Boldt Fest, will attend League of California Cities.

Mayor Pro Tem Castellano, HCSD, HWMA, HTA 2x2's, Eureka Main Street meeting, will attend League of California Cities. Culture Commons Festival end of the month, they are looking for volunteers.

F) PUBLIC HEARINGS

G) CONSENT CALENDAR: G. Mario Fernandez moved, seconded by Kati Moulton, to approve the consent calendar Minus G.3, motion Carried.

Ayes: Kati Moulton, Leslie Castellano, G. Mario Fernandez, Scott Bauer, Renee Contreras-DeLoach
Noes: None
Absent: None

G.1 City Council Minutes – Approve the Minutes of Regular Council Meeting September 1, 2026 as submitted.

G.2 State of California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) Grant- City Council to approve the acceptance of the State of California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) awarded to Eureka Police Department for $46,000.00

G.3 Award Bid No. 2027-01 Operations Complex Phase 3 - Special Project Manager Katie Marsolan provided a report.

The following members of the Public Addressed the Council on this Matter:
Phyllis

G. Mario Fernandez moved, seconded by Scott Bauer, Award Bid No. 2027-01 Operations Complex Phase 3 to Adams Commercial General Contracting Inc. for total bid amount of $6,059,831.00; and Authorize City Engineer to utilize up to 15% Owner Contingency approximately $908,975 as needed for unforeseen items during construction; and Authorize corresponding budget allocation in the amount of $6,968,806.00, motion Carried.

Ayes: Kati Moulton, Leslie Castellano, G. Mario Fernandez, Scott Bauer
Noes: None
Absent: Renee Contreras-DeLoach

H) LEGISLATIVE ACTION CORRESPONDENCE: None

I) ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

I.1 Bill No. 1062-C.S. Foreclosed and Vacant Property Registration Ordinance - Development Services Director Cristin Kenyon provided a report.

No Members of the Public Addressed the Council on this Matter.

G. Mario Fernandez moved, seconded by Renee Contreras-DeLoach, Waive full reading, read by title only, and introduce Bill No. 1062-C.S., an Ordinance of the City Council adding §§150.130 through 150.137 to the Eureka Municipal Code to establish a foreclosed and vacant property registration program., motion Carried.

Ayes: Kati Moulton, Leslie Castellano, G. Mario Fernandez, Scott Bauer, Renee Contreras-DeLoach
Noes: None
Absent: None

J) REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS:

J.1 Data Center Regulations Discussion- Director Cristin Kenyon provided a report.

The Following Members of the Public Addressed the Council on this Matter:
Janet

K) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - None.

L) CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

L.1 ADU/Housing Trust Fund Update- Special Projects Manager Riley Topolewski and Finance Director Lane Millar provided a report.

Councilmember Moulton motioned, seconded by Councilmember Fernandez, to extend meeting to 9:40PM, motion carried.

Ayes: Kati Moulton, Leslie Castellano, G. Mario Fernandez, Scott Bauer, Renee Contreras-DeLoach
Noes: None
Absent: None

M) PUBLIC COMMENT CONTINUED

ADJOURNMENT: 9:38PM

APPROVED:

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Kim Bergel
Mayor

Attest:

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Shannon Fazio
Deputy City Clerk