CITY OF ARCATA

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

Date: October 21, 2026, 5:15 p.m.
Location: City Manager's Conference Room
736 F Street, Arcata

Present: Mayor White, Vice Mayor Atkins-Salazar, Councilmember Matthews, Councilmember Schaefer (arrived at 5:22 p.m.), Councilmember Stillman

Staff Present: City Manager Perry, City Attorney Goldstein (via teleconference), Attorney Schrimp de la Vergne (via teleconference), Environmental Programs Manager Sefcik

A special meeting of the City Council of the City of Arcata was held on the above date at 5:15 p.m. with Mayor White presiding. Notice of this meeting was posted on October 16, 2026.

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor White called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor White invited public comment.

Public Comment: Joanne McGarry.

Mayor White 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 TutMalik 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.

Councilmember Schaefer arrived at 5:22 p.m.

4. OPEN SESSION

a. Interview One Applicant for One Vacancy on the Energy Committee for a Term Ending September 30, 2027.

The Council returned to open session at 5:33 p.m.

The Council interviewed Benjamin Narwold for one vacancy on the Energy Committee.

5. CLOSED SESSION REPORTS

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The Council entered the Chamber at 5:54 p.m.

RECESS: The Council recessed from 5:54 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Mayor White stated that there was nothing to report out for this closed session item.

6. ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rhea Varley

City Clerk