

**CITY OF NAPA**

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MEETING MINUTES - Draft**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NAPA**

Mayor Scott Sedgley

Vice Mayor Mary Luros

Councilmember Chris DeNatale

Councilmember Bernie Narvaez

Councilmember Beth Painter

Tuesday, December 16, 2025

3:30 PM

City Hall Council Chambers

3:30 PM Afternoon Session

6:30 PM Evening Session

3:30 PM AFTERNOON SESSION**1. CALL TO ORDER: 3:30 P.M.****1.A. Roll Call:**

Present: 5 - Mayor Sedgley, Vice Mayor Luros, Councilmember DeNatale, Councilmember Narvaez, and Councilmember Painter

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**3. AGENDA REVIEW AND SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS:**

City Clerk Carranza announced the following supplemental document:

Item 6.D. - Power Presentation from City staff.

(A copy of the supplemental document is on file in the City Clerk's department)

4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Mary Wetzler - provided comments opposing the Lincoln Avenue paving project and provided petition signed by residents.

Mark Phillips - provided comments regarding public hearing notices; requested that all notices be published on the City's website in addition to the Napa Valley Register.

Lori Donovan La Dow - provided comments opposing the Lincoln Avenue paving project. Suggested that residents were not well informed of the upcoming changes and suggested increased public noticing.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR:**Approval of the Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Luros, seconded by Councilmember DeNatale, to approve the Consent Agenda with item 5.D. pulled for public comment. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Sedgley, Luros, DeNatale, Narvaez, and Painter

5.A. 492-2025 City Council Meeting Minutes

Approved the minutes from the November 18, 2025 and December 2, 2025 Regular Meetings of the City Council.

5.B. 416-2025 Annual Report on Development Impact Fees for Fiscal Year 2025

Received the Annual Report on Development Impact Fees with Required Five-Year Findings for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2025.

5.C. 379-2025 California Highway Patrol License Agreement for City's Shooting Range Use.

Adopted Resolution R2025-130 approving and authorizing the Police Chief to execute on behalf of the City Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. C2025-831 (CHP Agreement No. 24C32500), including an amendment to the underlying License Agreement included in the Agreement, with the California Highway Patrol ("CHP") to extend their use of the City Shooting Range through June 30, 2026; and determining that the actions authorized by this resolution are exempt from CEQA.

Enactment No: R2025-130

5.D. 514-2025 Project Management Contract for the Five-Way Intersection Project

This item was pulled for public comment.

Harold Leggett posed a question regarding the site location. Suggested the City procure the necessary property to make it a roundabout or make East Avenue a dead end.

Farid Javenel, Senior Traffic Engineer, provided a brief response and shared update on project including next steps.

A motion was made by Councilmember Painter, seconded by Councilmember Narvaez, to approve and authorize the Public Works Director to execute on behalf of the City an agreement with Guy Preston Consulting, LLC for Project Management services for the Five-Way Intersection Project in an amount not to exceed \$325,000. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Sedgley, Luros, DeNatale, Narvaez, and Painter

5.E. [470-2025](#) Emergency Declaration for 36-inch Asbestos Cement Water Transmission Main Replacement
Determined there was a need to continue the emergency action to execute and implement contracts for the construction to replace up to 8,200 linear feet of 36-inch asbestos cement water transmission main.

5.F. [481-2025](#) On-Call Engineering and Multidisciplinary Professional Services
Approved and authorized the Public Works Director to negotiate and execute on behalf of the City agreements with four engineering consulting firms: (1) BKF Engineers; (2) Nichols Consulting Engineers, Chtd; (3) Sherwood Design Engineers, and (4) Parsons Transportation Group, Inc., for task order-based on-call engineering and multidisciplinary professional services in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 each.

5.G. [488-2025](#) Napa Countywide Road Maintenance Act (Measure T) - Maintenance of Effort
Adopted Resolution R2025-131 certifying Measure T Maintenance of Effort for Fiscal Year 2024/25, and determining that the actions authorized by this resolution are exempt from CEQA.
Enactment No: R2025-131

5.H. [500-2025](#) Contract Amendment: Additional portable restrooms at various locations in City Parks and at special events
Approved and authorized the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. C2023-183 with American Sanitation, Inc. on behalf of the City for servicing and supplying ADA accessible portable restrooms at various locations around the City of Napa in the increased amount of \$75,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$275,000

5.I. [502-2025](#) Opportunity to Complete Park Shade Improvements at Fuller Park
Adopted Resolution R2025-132 (1) authorizing the Parks & Recreation Services Director to approve additional change orders up to \$200,000 (for a total change order amount up to \$375,960) on the existing contract with Specified Play Equipment Company, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,691,464; and (2) determining that the actions authorized by this resolution are exempt from CEQA.
Enactment No: R2025-132

5.J. [504-2025](#) Building Inspection and Review Services
Authorized the City Manager to execute on behalf of the City, Amendment No. 3 to Agreement No. C2023-709 with 4LEAF, Inc., to include certified access specialist and senior building official and inspector on-call services, and increase the agreement in the amount of \$75,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$525,000.

5.K. 516-2025 Public Art Steering Committee Membership

Appointed Clay D. Newton, as Visual Art Professional, to the Public Art Steering Committee for a term beginning immediately and ending June 30, 2028.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

6.A. 508-2025 2026 Vice Mayor Selection

Mayor Sedgley introduced the item.

Vice Mayor Luros nominated Councilmember DeNatale to serve as the next Vice Mayor.

Councilmember Painter supported the nomination and suggested that staff consider updating the City Charter regarding Vice Mayor selection to reflect district-based elections.

There were no request to comment from members of the public.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Luros, seconded by Councilmember Narvaez to appoint Councilmember DeNatale to serve as Vice Mayor for a term ending December 15, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Sedgley, Luros, DeNatale, Narvaez, and Painter

6.B. 428-2025 2026 City Council Appointments to Local, Regional, and State Boards, Councils, Committees, and Commissions

City Clerk Carranza provided a brief report and summarized suggested changes to the 2026 appointments.

Brief discussion ensued regarding appointments.

There were no requests to speak from members of the public.

A motion was made by Councilmember Painter, seconded by Vice Mayor Luros, to adopt Resolution R2025-133 appointing members of City Council to local, regional, and state boards, councils, commissions, and committees for the year 2026, with direction to staff to finalize Resolution Exhibit A to incorporate the same appointees and alternate appointees as what was previously approved by Council for 2025 (at outlined in Attachment 2), with the following exceptions:

- Confirm the appointments of Mayor Sedgley and Vice Mayor DeNatale as the appointed members, and Councilmember Painter as the alternate member, to the Napa County Flood Control & Water Conservation District Board.**
- Appoint Councilmembers Narvaez and Painter to serve as the City of Napa Nomination Committee members.**
- Update the Napa Sanitation District Board stipend from \$240 to \$261 per meeting.**

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Sedgley, Luros, DeNatale, Narvaez, and Painter

Enactment No: R2025-133

6.C. 477-2025 Appointment of Retired Annuitant Michael Allen Pursuant to Government Code Section 7522.56 & 21224
Assistant Human Resources Director MJ Tueros provided the report.

Mayor called for public comment; there were no requests to speak.

Community Resources and Development Director Molly Rattigan responded to a question from Councilmember Narvaez regarding recruitment for a permanent replacement of the position.

A motion was made by Councilmember Painter, seconded by Councilmember Narvaez, to adopt Resolution R2025-134 appointing Retired Annuitant Michael Allen pursuant to Government Code Section 7522.56 & 21224. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Sedgley, Luros, DeNatale, Narvaez, and Painter

Enactment No: R2025-134

6.D. 497-2025 Informational Presentation on 2025 Street Paving and Sidewalk Repairs
Jessica Lowe, Deputy Public Works Director, Peter Brestak, PW Operations Manager and Dominic Digloria, Maintenance Superintendent, provided the report.

Mayor Sedgley called for public comment.

Mark Phillips - shared concerns the improvements made did not seem to last very long.

Discussion was turned over to Council. Staff responded to individual questions and comments from Councilmembers.

8. CLOSED SESSION:

Interim City Attorney Diaz announced the closed session items. He also noted that Vice Mayor Luros would be recusing from participation in item 8.A. due to Blue Oak School's involvement in the litigation.

8.A. 511-2025 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Hagstrom Properties, LLC v. Napa Sanitation District, City of Napa, et al.
United States District Court, Northern District of California, Case No.
3:25-cv-4369

8.B. 494-2025 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957
Title: City Manager

8.C. 498-2025 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Agency Designated Representative: Heather Ruiz, Liz Habkirk
Unrepresented Employee: City Manager

CITY COUNCIL RECESS: 4:33 P.M.

6:30 P.M. EVENING SESSION

9. CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 P.M.

9.A. Roll Call:

Present: 5 - Mayor Sedgley, Vice Mayor Luros, Councilmember DeNatale, Councilmember Narvaez, and Councilmember Painter

10. AGENDA REVIEW AND SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS:

City Clerk Carranza announced that Planning Commission applicant Darren Graffuis submitted an email withdrawing his application.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Daniel, the Evangelist - introduced himself to Council and provided his business card.

Mike Reynolds - provided comments regarding the First Street/Brown's Valley Road lane reconfiguration. Voiced concerns that the new lanes had made the road more dangerous and suggested that data had shown an increase in car crashes.

12. COMMISSION INTERVIEWS AND APPOINTMENTS:

12.A. 483-2025 Planning Commission Membership

Mayor Sedgley opened the item and welcomed all applicants.

Mayor Sedgley and City Clerk Carranza reviewed the proposed interview process.

City Clerk Carranza announced that applicant Darren Graffius had withdrawn his application earlier in the day.

Prior to the interviews, applicant Kyle Larson shared that, after preparing for the interview, with thoughtful consideration, he wished to withdraw his application stating that he did not have the time to dedicate to the position at that time.

Interviews began with each applicant providing a brief, three minute, introduction and statement, in the following order:

1. Alexander Myers
2. Danielly Ludwig (joined via video conference)
3. Beverly Shotwell

Council questions of individual applicants followed their opening statements.

Mayor Sedgley called for public comment. There were no requests to speak.

Each Councilmember voted, by paper ballot, to identify the preferred candidate to be appointed to the Commission.

City Clerk Carranza announced that the greatest number of votes were received by Alexander Myers and Beverly Shotwell with five votes each.

A motion was made by Councilmember DeNatale, seconded by Vice Mayor Luros, to reappoint Alexander Myers and Beverly Shotwell to the Planning Commission for terms beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2027. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Sedgley, Luros, DeNatale, Narvaez, and Painter

13. COMMENTS BY COUNCIL OR CITY MANAGER:

Interim City Attorney Diaz announced that there was no reportable action taken in Closed Session.

Vice Mayor Luros wished Happy Hanukkah to all who celebrate.

14. ADJOURNMENT: 7:32 P.M.

The next regularly scheduled meeting for the City Council of the City of Napa is January 6, 2026.

Submitted by:

Tiffany Carranza, City Clerk