



CITY OF NAPA

MEETING MINUTES - Draft

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NAPA

Mayor Scott Sedgley
Vice Mayor Chris DeNatale
Councilmember Mary Luros
Councilmember Bernie Narvaez
Councilmember Beth Painter

Tuesday, March 17, 2026

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 DeNatale, Councilmember Luros, Councilmember Narvaez, and Councilmember Painter

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

3. AGENDA REVIEW AND SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS:

City Clerk Carranza announced the following supplemental items:

Item 5: Emails from Aldo and Nadia Solano.

Items 7.A. and 7.B.: PowerPoint presentations from City staff.

(Copies of all supplemental documents are on file in the City Clerk's department)

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

4.A. [096-2026](#) Presentation of Pet of the Month

Luis Ambriz, from the Napa County Animal Shelter, presented Turbo, the Pet of the Month, who was available for adoption.

4.B. [086-2026](#) Women’s History Month

Mayor Sedgley and members of Council read the proclamation and recognized Kara Vernor from the Napa County Bicycle Coalition, Frances Knapczyk from the Napa County Resource Conservation District, and Linda Brown from Napa Climate Now! who were all in attendance. Deborah Elliott, the City’s Climate Action Management Analyst, accepted the proclamation and provided remarks.

4.C. [087-2026](#) Cesar Chavez Day

Mayor Sedgley and members of Council read the proclamation. Cathy Gillis and María Villagómez of the Napa County Hispanic Network accepted the proclamation and provided brief remarks.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Dalton Piercey - shared his plan for a community event called Crushfest.

Jim McNamara - shared that he viewed the State of the City the evening prior, provided comments regarding public engagement and climate action, and shared concerns over the condition of his neighborhood.

Jim Hinton - provided a health update of his father. Shared an incident he saw that took place on March 7th in which a group of people with cameras were disrupting members of the public to instigate fights. Questioned why were no arrests made for disturbing the peace.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Luros, seconded by Councilmember Narvaez, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

6.A. [100-2026](#) City Council Meeting Minutes

Approved the minutes from the March 3, 2026 Regular Meeting of the City Council.

- 6.B.** [078-2026](#) City Manager’s Office Staffing Plan Updates: Amending Napa Municipal Code Section 2.08.090(A) regarding the designation of appointive officers in the City Manager’s Office
- Approved the second reading and adoption of Ordinance O2026-003 amending Napa Municipal Code Section 2.08.090(A) regarding the designation of appointive officers in the City Manager’s Office.**
- Enactment No: O2026-003
- 6.C.** [125-2026](#) Monthly Budget and Investment Statement
- Received the Monthly Budget and Investment Statement as of January 31, 2026.**
- 6.D.** [068-2026](#) Designation of the City’s Agents for California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services Financial Assistance.
- Adopted Resolution R2026-025 rescinding Resolution No. R2023-054 and designating the Assistant City Manager, Risk Manager, and Finance Director as the City’s authorized agents to execute for and on behalf of the City of Napa all documents pertaining to State and Federal Disaster Assistance.**
- Enactment No: R2026-025
- 6.E.** [084-2026](#) Delegation of Authority to Procure and Administer the City’s Insurance, Self-Insurance, and Risk Pooling Coverage Consistent with Approved Budget Appropriations
- Adopted Resolution R2026-026 delegating authority to the City Manager or designee to procure and administer the City’s insurance, self-insurance, and risk pooling programs, including execution of required agreements, consistent with approved budget appropriation or actions taken to amend the annual budget.**
- Enactment No: R2026-026
- 6.F.** [081-2026](#) Salary Schedules for Full-Time Employees
- Adopted Resolution R2026-027 documenting the salary schedules for Full-Time Employees.**
- Enactment No: R2026-027
- 6.G.** [067-2026](#) Capital Improvement Program Budget Adjustment for Transportation Grants
- Adopted Resolution R2026-028 (1) amending the Fiscal Year 2025/26 Capital Improvement Plan as documented in Council Budget Amendment No. 42P9; and (2) authorizing the Public Works Director to execute and process all documents necessary to implement the grant to develop a Complete Streets Improvement Plan for Redwood Road and Solano Avenue.**
- Enactment No: R2026-028

- 6.H.** [046-2026](#) On-Call Engineering and Multidisciplinary Professional Services
- Approved and authorized the Public Works Director to negotiate and execute on behalf of the City an agreement with WMH Corporation for task order-based on-call engineering and multidisciplinary professional services in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.**
- 6.I.** [080-2026](#) Solano Avenue Rehabilitation Project
- Adopted Resolution R2026-029: (1) Authorizing the Public Works Director to reimburse Napa County, through C2022-121 Cooperative Agreement for Mutual Public Works Assistance, for the City's share of costs related to the Solano Avenue Rehabilitation Project from Orchard Avenue to Luke Drive in an amount not to exceed \$600,000; and (2) authorizing the Public Works Director to rescind participation in the project should bids be unfavorable; and (3) authorizing the Public Works Director to approve change orders and charges for project services up to a total project amount not to exceed \$600,000; and (4) determining that the actions authorized by this resolution are exempt from CEQA.**
- Enactment No: R2026-029
- 6.J.** [082-2026](#) 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 construction to replace up to 8,200 linear feet of 36-inch asbestos cement water transmission main.**
- 6.K.** [119-2026](#) Sale of State Water Project Carryover Water
- Authorized the Utilities Director to execute the sale of State Water Project Article 56 (c) water (carryover water) to San Geronio Pass Water Agency for a total sale of up to 3,000 acre feet (AF) and determine that this action is exempt from CEQA.**
- 6.L.** [065-2026](#) Park Playground and Amenity Improvement Project - Phase II
- Adopted Resolution R2026-030: (1) approving and authorizing the Parks and Recreation Services Director to execute an agreement with Ross Recreation, for the Park Playground and Amenity Improvement Project in an amount not to exceed \$1,595,868; (2) determining that the exception for procurement via existing contracts of other public agencies in Napa Municipal Code Section 2.91.060 and that the exception for specialty items in Napa Municipal Code 2.91.050 applies to the agreement; and (3) determining that the actions authorized by this resolution are exempt from CEQA.**
- Enactment No: R2026-030
- 6.M.** [091-2026](#) Tree Services (Planting and Pruning) Application Fee Waiver
- Adopted Resolution R2026-031 authorizing the Parks and Recreation Services Director to waive application fees set by the Master Fee Schedule for street tree pruning and tree planting applications associated with special tree projects and programs**
- Enactment No: R2026-031

- 6.N.** [101-2026](#) Classification Specification Revisions for Deputy Fire Chief, Fire Battalion Chief, Fire Captain, Firefighter/Paramedic, and Firefighter in the Fire Department

Adopted Resolution R2026-032 amending the City Classification Plan by adopting the revised classification specifications for Deputy Fire Chief, Fire Battalion Chief, Fire Captain, Firefighter/Paramedic, and Firefighter in the Fire Department

Enactment No: R2026-032

- 6.O.** [107-2026](#) State Prohousing Incentive Program (PIP) Application

Adopted Resolution R2026-033 authorizing the City Manager or their designee to submit an application to the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development Prohousing Incentive Program and approve and authorize the City Manager or their designee to execute an agreement, or any other documents necessary, for the receipt of Prohousing Incentive Program funds.

Enactment No: R2026-033

7. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

- 7.A.** [059-2026](#) 2025 Housing Element Annual Progress Report (APR)

Associate Planner Angela Alvarez-Cendejas provided the staff report.

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

Discussion was turned over to Council. Brief individual comments and questions ensued.

A motion was made by Councilmember Painter, seconded by Vice Mayor DeNatale, to accept the 2025 Housing Element Annual Progress Report (“APR”) and authorize Staff to file the report with the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) and the Governor’s Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation (LCI), formerly known as the Office of Planning and Research (OPR). The motion carried by the following vote:

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

7.B. [060-2026](#) 2025 General Plan Annual Progress Report

Associate Planner Angela Alvarez-Cendejas provided the staff report.

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

Discussion was turned over to Council. Brief individual comments ensued.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor DeNatale, seconded by Councilmember Luros, to accept the 2025 General Plan Annual Progress Report and authorize staff to file the annual report with the California Department of Housing & Community Development (HCD) and the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation (LCI), formerly known as the Office of Planning and Research (OPR). The motion carried by the following vote:

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

7.C. [062-2026](#) Appointment of Retired Annuitant Michael Walker Pursuant to Government Code Section 7522.56

Human Resources Director Heather Ruiz provided the report.

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

A motion was made by Councilmember Luros, seconded by Councilmember Painter, to adopt Resolution R2026-034 appointing Retired Annuitant Michael Walker pursuant to Government Code Section 7522.56 and 21221(h), The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Enactment No: R2026-034

8. COMMENTS BY COUNCIL OR CITY MANAGER: None.

9. CLOSED SESSION:

Interim City Attorney Diaz announced the closed session item.

9.A. [129-2026](#) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)
Napa County Flood Control v. City of Napa, et al.
Napa County Superior Court Case No. 25CV000695

CITY COUNCIL RECESS: 4:15 P.M.

6:30 P.M. EVENING SESSION

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

10.A. Roll Call:

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

11. AGENDA REVIEW AND SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS:

City Clerk Carranza announced the following supplemental documents:

Items 13.A., 13.B, and 13.C. - PowerPoint presentations from City staff.

(Copies of all supplemental documents are on file in the City Clerk's department)

12. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Jim Hinton - provided comments regarding potential increases to building and permit fees as well as a proposed 1/2 cent sales tax from Napa County. Suggested looking at better government efficiency and posed questions regarding the Economic Development division staff salaries and responsibilities.

Maggie Whitt - provided comments in support of the City Council adopting a Sanctuary City ordinance and cancelling any agreement with Flock.

Casey Robidoux - provided comments in support of the City Council adopting a Sanctuary City ordinance and cancelling any agreement with Flock.

Danielle Cuddy - provided comments in support of the City Council adopting a Sanctuary City ordinance and cancelling any agreement with Flock.

Max Bernstein - provided comments in support of the City Council adopting a Sanctuary City ordinance and cancelling any agreement with Flock.

Aldo Solano - provided comments in support of the City Council adopting a Sanctuary City ordinance and cancelling any agreement with Flock.

Diana - provided comments in support of the City Council adopting a Sanctuary City ordinance and cancelling any agreement with Flock.

Mayor Sedgley provided a brief response to public comments.

13. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**13.A.** [047-2026](#) 2nd Street Pavement Artwork

Sarah Winski, Public Art Coordinator, joined by Artist Danielle Davis, who attended virtually, provided the report.

Mayor Sedgley called for public comment.

Jim Hinton - provided complimentary comments on the design.

Discussion was brought back to Council. Individual comments and questions ensued.

A motion was made by Councilmember Painter, seconded by Councilmember Narvaez, to adopt Resolution R2026-035:

- (1) Approving and authorizing the Parks and Recreation Services Director to execute a contract with Asphalt Impressions, Inc. for the 2nd Street Pavement Artwork Project (33PA23PR03) in an amount not to exceed \$379,152;**
- (2) authorizing the Parks and Recreation Services Director to execute change orders not to exceed \$37,915 as contingency to address unforeseen conditions that may be discovered during construction;**
- (3) determining that the exception for specialty items in Napa Municipal Code 2.91.050 applies to the agreement;**
- (4) amending the FY2025/26 & 2026/27 Capital Improvement Project Plan as documented in Council Budget Amendment No. 79P09; and**
- (5) determining that the actions authorized by this resolution are exempt from CEQA. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

Enactment No: R2026-035

13.B. [054-2026](#) North Napa Center Update and Closure Plans

Community Resources and Development Director Molly Rattigan provided the report.

Scott Wagner, Director of Housing and Services for Abode Services' Northern Region, and Ashley Jacobsen, Associate Director at Abode, thanked Council for the program's support and shared comments of the program's success and thanked additional staff and community members for their contributions.

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

Discussion was turned over to Council. Individual comments ensued.

13.C. [090-2026](#) Urban Forestry Management Plan Overview

Park and Urban Forestry Manager Jeff Gittings provided the report.

Mayor Sedgley called for public comment.

Linda Brown, Napa Climate Now! - applauded the plan and posed questions regarding periodic updates due to environmental changes and future plans related to community outreach and education. She also reinforced the need to protect and maintain mature trees.

Rita - Posed questions and provided comments regarding native trees.

Mayor Sedgley asked Mr. Gittings to address questions posed during public comment regarding native trees.

Discussion was turned over to Council. Individual comments and questions ensued.

14. REPORT ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION:

Interim City Attorney Diaz reported that the City Council met in closed session earlier to consider one item on existing litigation involving the Napa County Flood Control District and reported that City Council unanimously approved and authorized staff to execute a stipulation in the litigation preserving (1) the City's right to an existing landscape maintenance agreement, and (2) the City's existing pedestrian easement that would be regranted to the City by the Flood Control District once the project was complete. The stipulation itself would be available once filed with the court.

15. COMMENTS BY COUNCIL OR CITY MANAGER:

City Manager Potter thanked City Council, City staff, Jeri Hansen, Napa Chamber of Commerce President and Alonso Corona, Napa Hispanic Chamber of Commerce President participating and putting on the Special State of the City Meeting that was held the evening prior. He also thanked members of the public for attending.

Councilmember Painter reminded folks of the 4th Annual Napa Climate Summit on March 26th from 3:00 PM -5:00 PM at the Napa Valley College.

Councilmember Narvaez wished Mayor Sedgley a happy birthday.

16. ADJOURNMENT: 8:08 P.M.

The next regularly scheduled meeting for the City Council of the City of Napa is April 7, 2026.

Submitted by:

Tiffany Carranza, City Clerk