



CITY OF NAPA

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MEETING MINUTES - Draft

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NAPA

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

Tuesday, March 4, 2025

3:30 PM

City Hall Council Chambers

3:30 PM Afternoon Session
No Evening Session

3:30 P.M. AFTERNOON SESSION

1. CALL TO ORDER: 3:30 P.M.

1.A. Roll Call:

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

2. AGENDA REVIEW AND SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS:

City Clerk Carranza shared that Item 8.A., Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation, would not be heard that afternoon and would come back at a future date. She also announced the following supplemental documents:

Item 3.B. - additional certificate of recognition for Robert Stevenson.

Item 6.A. - PowerPoint Presentation from City Staff.

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

3. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

3.A. [068-2025](#) Proclamation for Red Cross Month

Mayor Sedgley and Councilmembers read the proclamation. Jim Jett, local Red Cross Chapter Volunteer, accepted the proclamation and provided remarks.

- 3.B.** [079-2025](#) Certificate of Recognition Honoring Kristofer Chun and the Napa Marine Corps League
- Mayor Sedgley and Councilmembers presented Certificates of Recognition to Kristofer Chun and Robert Stevenson, of the Napa Marine Corps League. Both recipients provided remarks.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Linda St. Claire - provided comments regarding traffic calming.

John Cooledge - provided comments regarding traffic calming.

Chris Benz, Napa Climate NOW! - provided an update on the City of Napa's leaf blower rebate program and encouraged promotion of the program. She also invited Council and members of the public to attend two upcoming in-store informational events as well as the 3rd annual Napa Climate Summit and Job Fair.

Michele Grupe, Director of Community Leaders Coalition - provided comments asking for Council to make a statement of support to the local immigrant and LGBTQ communities and to partner with the coalition.

Harold Leggett - shared concerns regarding Bottlerock's noise level. Suggested the event be relocated to Kennedy Park.

Mayor Sedgley provided brief comments in response to public comment. Council supported a request to work with City staff to assist in promoting the leaf blower rebate program. Members also supported a request to come back to a future meeting with a statement of support.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

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

- 5.A.** [048-2025](#) City Council Meeting Minutes

Approved the minutes from the February 18, 2025 Regular Meeting of the City Council.

5.B. [032-2025](#) Amended 2025 City Holiday Calendar

This items was pulled off of the Consent Agenda for public comment.

Monica Lopez, on behalf of NCEA Union - urged Council to adopt the holiday as a paid for all employee groups, to include NCEA members.

Harold Leggett - provided comments questioning how some taxpayers could view the addition of a holiday following the recent tax increase.

A motion was made by Councilmember Painter, seconded by Councilmember Narvaez, to adopt Resolution R2025-016 establishing the amended 2025 Calendar for Regular and Special City Council Meetings and City Holidays by approving the addition of Juneteenth (June 19, 2025) as a recognized City Holiday. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Enactment No: R2025-016

5.C. [082-2025](#) Classification Specification for Water Distribution Supervisor in the Utilities Department

Adopted Resolution R2025-016 amending the City Classification Plan by Approving the Classification Specification Revisions for Water Distribution Supervisor in the Utilities Department.

Enactment No: R2025-017

5.D. [493-2024](#) Emergency Repair of Browns Valley Creek at Tall Grass Drive Bridge

Determined there was a need to continue the emergency action to execute and implement a contract for the design, permitting, and construction to stabilize the creek bank and adjacent roadway for Browns Valley Creek at Tall Grass Drive, and determined that the actions authorized by this item are exempt from CEQA.

5.E. [053-2025](#) Emergency Declaration for 36-inch Asbestos Cement Water Transmission Main Replacement

Adopted Resolution R2025-018 (1) determining there is a need to continue the emergency action to execute and implement contracts for the construction to replace up to 11,000 linear feet of 36-inch asbestos cement transmission main; (2) approving a transfer in the amount of \$6,000,000 from water CIP reserve fund balance account 531-35102 to CIP project account 53160139-63WT25UTER as documented in Council budget amendment No. 05P09; and (3) determining that the actions authorized by this resolution are exempt from CEQA.

Enactment No: R2025-018

- 5.F.** [020-2025](#) Capital Improvement Program - Update for Fiscal Year 2024/2025
- Adopted Resolution R2025-019 amending the Capital Improvement Project Plan as documented in Council Budget Amendment No. 19P8.**
- Enactment No: R2025-019
- 5.G.** [013-2025](#) Grant Agreement with the Law Enforcement Specialized Units (LESU) Program for Survivors of Domestic Violence Services
- Adopted Resolution R2025-020 (1) accepting the Cal OES Law Enforcement Specialized Units (LESU) Program Grant Agreement in the amount of \$270,856 and authorizing Detective William Hernandez, on behalf of the City Manager and Chief of Police to execute the grant agreement on behalf of the City; (2) approving and authorizing revenue and expenditure budget increases of \$203,142 in the Police Department's Grants Special Revenue Fund with a local match from the City of Napa of \$67,714 from the Police Department's General Fund for the Cal OES Grant Program for calendar year 2025; (3) approving and authorizing the Chief of Police to execute an agreement funded by the LESU Grant in the amount not to exceed \$73,121 with Nurturing Empowerment Worth Safety (NEWS) to support Domestic Violence Counselor Services and Training; and (4) approving and authorizing the Chief of Police to execute a MOU with the Napa County District Attorney's Office Victim Services and Nurturing Empowerment Worth Safety (NEWS) acknowledging collaborative efforts to support domestic violence victims and their children.**
- Enactment No: R2025-020
- 5.H.** [167-2024](#) Fifth Amendment to City-County MOU for Napa County use of City's Materials Diversion Facility
- Approved and authorized the Utilities Director to execute Amendment No. 5 to the Memorandum of Understanding (City Agreement No. 8782, County Agreement No. 6430) for continued Napa County use of the City's Materials Diversion Facility (MDF) through December 31, 2030, with an option for five mutually agreed one-year extensions.**
- 5.I.** [064-2025](#) Abatement Services Agreement
- Approved and authorized the City Manager to execute an agreement with Sharjo, a limited liability company doing business as ServiceMaster Restoration for an amount not to exceed \$300,000 for the clean-up and abatement of homeless encampments, and other associated debris removal within the City of Napa; and determine that this action is exempt from CEQA.**

6. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

6.A. [037-2025](#) Streets Paving Program, Budget Adjustment FY25

Public Works Director Julie Lucido provided the report.

Mayor Sedgley called for public comment.

Maureen Trippe, Co-founder Slow Down Napa - posed questions as how the proposed paving would fit into programs already in place. Hoped that traffic calming would be integrated.

PW Director responded to the public comment.

Harold Leggett - asked for brief description of what traffic calming was. Mayor Sedgley responded.

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

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Luros, seconded by Councilmember Narvaez, to: 1. Adopt Resolution R2025-021 (1) authorizing the Public Works Director to conduct in-house paving operations on behalf of the City, and (2) determining that the actions authorized by this resolution are exempt from CEQA; and

2. Adopt Resolution R2025-022 approving an Amendment to the RMRA and Gas Tax Funds and thereby increasing the current expenditure budget of the Streets Resurfacing Program by \$1,200,000, as documented in Budget Adjustment No. 2P09. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Enactment No: R2025-021
R2025-022

6.B. [070-2025](#) Discuss Harvest Middle School Site Acquisition Process

Assistant City Manager Liz Habkirk provided the report.

Mayor Sedgley called for public comment.

Carol Barge - provided comments in support of the City purchasing the site.

Chuck Shinnamon - provided comments in support of the City purchasing the site.

Nancy Lafortune - provided comments in support of the City purchasing the site.

Unidentified speaker - provided comments in support of the City purchasing the site.

Harold Leggett - provided comments in support of the City purchasing the site.

Discussion was brought back to council. Mayor and members of Council shared their unanimous support in moving forward to take the next steps to enter negotiations with the Napa Valley Unified School District to acquire the Harvest Middle School site for future uses consistent with Council Focus Areas.

7. COMMENTS BY COUNCIL OR CITY MANAGER:

Councilmember Narvaez provided additional comments in regard to the Certificates of Recognition that were presented earlier in the meeting. He applauded the volunteers for their dedicated work to ensure families were provided for during the holidays, and he encouraged residents to thank Napa Marine Corps League members as well when they see them in the community.

8. CLOSED SESSION:**8.A.** [074-2025](#) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

Elia v. City of Napa, et al.

Napa County Superior Court Case No. 22CV001127

This item was not heard.

9. ADJOURNMENT: 4:58 P.M.

The next regularly scheduled meeting for the City Council of the City of Napa is March 18, 2025.

Submitted by:

Tiffany Carranza, City Clerk