



GRASS VALLEY

City Council Regular Meeting, Capital Improvements Authority and Redevelopment "Successor Agency"

Tuesday, February 24, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Council Chambers, Grass Valley City Hall | 125 East Main Street, Grass Valley, California

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MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6:02 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Hodge led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Councilmember Jan Arbuckle

Councilmember Joe Bonomolo

Councilmember Tom Ivy

Vice Mayor Haven Caravelli

Mayor Hilary Hodge

AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion made to approve the agenda as submitted by Councilmember Arbuckle, Seconded by Vice Mayor Caravelli.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Arbuckle, Councilmember Bonomolo, Councilmember Ivy, Vice Mayor Caravelli, Mayor Hodge

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Nothing to report out of closed session.

INTRODUCTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

CITY UPDATE

PUBLIC COMMENT

In person public comments: Speakers 1 thru 5 (Noted changes no speaker #2)

Virtual public comments attached.

CONSENT ITEMS -

Virtual public comments.

Motion made to approve the consent as submitted by Councilmember Arbuckle, Seconded by Councilmember Bonomolo.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Arbuckle, Councilmember Bonomolo, Councilmember Ivy, Vice Mayor Caravelli, Mayor Hodge

1. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2026.

Recommendation: Council approves minutes as submitted.

2. Joint Agreement with Grass Valley and Nevada County Consolidated Fire District for use of shared fleet facility.

CEQA: Not a Project

Recommendation: That Council 1) Approve the Fire Chief to enter into a cooperative license agreement between the City of Grass Valley and Nevada County Consolidated Fire District for shared use of the fleet maintenance shop.

3. 2025 Annual Measure E Street Rehabilitation Project - Final Acceptance

CEQA: N/A - Project is Complete

Recommendation: That Council: 1) accept the 2025 Annual Measure E Street Rehabilitation Project as complete, and 2) authorize the City Engineer to file a Notice of Completion with the County Recorder.

4. Downtown Street Rehab Project - Final Acceptance

CEQA: N/A - Project is Complete

Recommendation: That Council: 1) accept the Downtown Street Rehabilitation Project as complete, and 2) authorize the City Engineer to file a Notice of Completion with the County Recorder.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION OR SEPARATE ACTION AND / OR ANY ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

REORGANIZATION RELATED ITEMS

PUBLIC HEARING

ADMINISTRATIVE

5. FY 2025-26 Mid-Year Budget Review

CEQA: Not a project

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council, by motion, approve the FY 2025-26 Mid-Year Budget Review and the recommended budget revisions.

Jenifer Stzynski, Finance Director

Public comments: Bob Branstrom

Motion made to approve the FY 2025-26 Mid-Year Budget Review and the recommended budget revisions by Councilmember Arbuckle, Seconded by Councilmember Bonomolo.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Arbuckle, Councilmember Bonomolo, Councilmember Ivy, Vice Mayor Caravelli, Mayor Hodge

6. Downtown Grass Valley Roundabout Project - Approve Final Concept

CEQA: N/A - CEQA review will be completed as part of the project work

Recommendation: That Council approve a final intersection treatment at Neal St and South Auburn St for the Downtown Grass Valley Roundabout Project

Bjorn Jones, City Engineer, gave presentation to the council

Public comment: Robin Davis, Jay Strauss, Bob Branstrom, Mark Demartni, Malina Sha, Larry Onios

Virtual comments attached.

Motion made to approve a final intersection treatment at Neal St and South Auburn St for the Downtown Grass Valley Roundabout Project with the original right-out/right-in configuration by Councilmember Arbuckle, Seconded by Councilmember Bonomolo.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Arbuckle, Councilmember Bonomolo, Councilmember Ivy, Vice Mayor Caravelli

Voting Nay: Mayor Hodge

BRIEF REPORTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councilmember Ivy had nothing to report. Councilmember Bonomolo attended an interview on KNCO with WM. Councilmember Arbuckle attended the league of cities board meeting in Berkley, will be attending the Policies meeting, Small rural Cities, GVDA and Chamber Executive Board Meeting. Vice Mayor Caravelli Conducted Historical Commission interviews, and wanted to thank Public Works for their hard work during the storm, and will not be at next meeting but wanted to give thanks and appreciation to Tim for his service over the years and he will be missed. Mayor Hodge attended the wild and Scenic Film festival.

CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Adopted on: _____

Hilary Hodge, Mayor

Taylor Whittingslow, City Clerk