RESOLUTION 2025-030

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOS GATOS APPROVING COMMITMENTS OF FUND BALANCE UNDER GASB 54

WHEREAS, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) has issued its Statement No. 54, Fund Balance and Governmental Fund Type Definitions with the intent of improving financial reporting by providing fund balance categories that will be more easily understood and to improve the comparability of governmental fund financial statements; and

WHEREAS, GASB 54 provides that the Town Council of the Town of Los Gatos classify governmental fund balances as restricted, assigned, or committed fund balances; and

WHEREAS GASB 54 provides that restricted reserves are funds that are restricted for externally imposed constraints such as legal contracts or state law, assigned amounts are constrained by the Town's intent to use them for specific purposes, and committed amounts are dedicated for specific purposes under constraints and formal action taken by the Town Council and these committed amounts cannot be used for any other purposes unless the Town Council of the Town of Los Gatos removes or changes the specific use through the same formal action to establish the commitment; and

WHEREAS, there exists a Restricted General Fund Pension Reserve in the form of an IRS 115 Pension Trust; and

WHEREAS, there exists a balance of \$2,878,659 as of June 30, 2025 in the restricted Pension Reserve; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Los Gatos has established a General Fund Reserve Policy providing for minimum fund balance dollar target amounts for Budget Stabilization and Catastrophic Reserve fund balances and outlines policies and procedures for use and restoration of these balances; and

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WHEREAS, there exists an assigned General Fund Compensated Absences Reserve allocated to fund 50% of all vested hours of sick leave, compensation, and vacation time with the actual reserve amount to be determined at the close of FY 2024-25; and

WHEREAS, there exists an assigned Capital/Special Projects Reserve to fund key infrastructure and capital/special projects as identified in the Town's five-year Capital Improvement Plan, and/or other Council priorities; and

WHEREAS, there exists an assigned authorized Carry Forward Reserve for materials and services on approved purchase order and contracts which were issued but not finalized or fulfilled as of the end of the fiscal year but for which funds will be carried forward to the following fiscal year. Actual reserve balance will be established at the close of FY 2024-25; and

WHEREAS, in June 2016, the Town Council established the committed Pension/OPEB Reserve to provide funding toward pension and Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) unfunded obligations by placing discretionary amounts to the reserve with formal Council action and transferring available year-end surpluses based on the General Fund Reserve Policy; and

WHEREAS, there is an anticipated excess balance of \$1,000,000 as of June 30, 2025 in the assigned OPEB/Pension Reserve, and

WHEREAS, The Town Council established the assigned Sustainability Reserve in FY 2008-09 by closing the Solid Waste Management fund and placing the initial residual balance dedicated for conservation, recycling, and sustainability; and

WHEREAS, there exists an excess balance of \$140,553 as of June 30, 2025 in the assigned Sustainability Reserve; and

WHEREAS, there exists an assigned Market Fluctuation Reserve that represents fund balance amounts for unrealized investment gains that have been recorded as investment income in the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of GASB 31, actual reserve balance will be established at the close of FY 2025-26; and

WHEREAS, there exists an assigned Measure G 2018 District Sales Tax Reserve to track receipt and use of the 1/8 cent district tax funds collected by the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has determined the use of Measure G accumulated and future proceeds to be 50% for operating expenditures and 50% for capital purposes until the end of FY 2024-25; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has determined the use of 100% of the Measure G estimated proceeds from FY 2025-26 will go towards operating expenditures; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council will determine the use of Measure G beyond FY 2026-27 after the completion of the external review of the Five-Year Forecast and a comprehensive Fiscal Impact Analysis, and

WHEREAS, the committed residual balance of \$590,581 that was set aside for operating purposes in FY 2020-21 was programmed to be used for operating expenses in FY 2024-25 if needed; and

WHEREAS, the portion of the committed residual balance of \$590,581 not used for operating expenses in FY 2024-25, will be placed in the Unassigned Fund Balance, and

WHEREAS, with the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Budget, an assigned Education Realignment Augmentation Fund (ERAF) Risk Reserve has been established, reserving the 30% of the anticipated ERAF proceeds from FY 2022-23 until a lawsuit between the State and the School Districts concludes; and

WHEREAS, an excess balance of the ERAF RISK Reserve will be moved to the Unassigned Fund Balance during FY 2024-25, and

WHEREAS, there exists an excess balance of \$4,000,000 as of June 30, 2025 in the Unassigned Fund Balance, moving available funds from the available Capital/Special Projects Reserve, and

WHEREAS, the FY 2025-26 budget anticipates using \$905,060 of the General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance to balance the budget; and

WHEREAS, there exists an excess balance of \$3,094,940 as of June 30, 2026 in the Unassigned Fund Balance, final balances will be determined at the close of the FY 2025-26 fiscal year, and

WHEREAS, the Town Council established the assigned Open Space reserve in the FY 1998-99 to be used for the preservation of open space, connection of open space trails, the definition of the southern boundary of the Town with passive open space, and protection of unique natural features; and

WHEREAS, there exists an excess balance of \$410,000 as of June 30, 2025 in the assigned Open Space Reserve; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOS GATOS DOES HEREBY RESOLVE that the following estimated Pension, Budget Stabilization, Catastrophic, Pension/OPEB, Capital/Special Projects, Compensated Absences; Measure G District Sales Tax, Surplus Property Revenue, Market Fluctuations, Sustainability, Open Space, and Unassigned Fund Balance as of June 30, 2025 and as of June 30, 2026 as restricted, assigned, unassigned or formally committed as follows:

		Actual General Fund Reserves June 30, 2024		FY 2024-25 Budget, GF Reserve Policy, and this Resolution Approved Increase		FY 2024-25 Budget, GF Reserve Policy, and this Resolution Approved (Decrease)		Estimated General Fund Reserves June 30, 2025		FY 2025-26 Budget Resolution Approved Increase		FY 2025-26 Budget Resolution Approved (Decrease)		Estimated General Fund Reserves June 30, 2026	
Restricted Fund Balances															
Pension	\$	2,188,659	\$	690,000	\$	-	\$	2,878,659	\$	390,000	\$		\$	3,268,659	
Porperty Held for Resale		344,338		3-3		(344,338)		-		-		-		-	
Nonspendable															
Rehab Loan Reserve (Nonspendable)		159,000		-		(-)		159,000	\$	-	\$	~	\$	159,000	
Committed Fund Balances															
Budget Stabilization		6,736,781	\$	1,133,858		-		7,870,639				-		7,870,639	
Catastrophic		6,736,781	\$	1,133,858		-		7,870,639		-		-		7,870,639	
Pension/OPEB		300,000		1,000,000		(300,000)		1,000,000		-		-		1,000,000	
Measure G District Sale Tax - Operating		590,581				(590,581)		9		-		100		-	
Assigned Fund Balances															
Capital/Special Projects		8,651,056				(7,144,607)		1,506,449		-		(4)		1,506,449	
Compensated Absences		1,555,478				(*)		1,555,478				-		1,555,478	
Open Space		410,000		-		_		410,000		-		-		410,000	
Sustainability		140,553		Ε.		-		140,553		-				140,553	
Market Fluctuations		1,712,246		-		-		1,712,246		-				1,712,246	
Carryover Encumbrances		85,861		-		-		85,861		-		u u		85,861	
Council Priorities - Economic Recovery		20,684		¥		(20,684)				-		-		-	
ERAF Risk Reserve		1,430,054		-		(1,430,054)				8		=		-	
Unassigned Fund Balance		X		4,000,000				4,000,000		=		(905,060)		3,094,940	

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Los Gatos held on the 3rd day of June 2025 by the following vote:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

AYES:

Maria Ristow, Rob Rennie, Rob Moore, Mary Badame, Mayor Matthew Hudes

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

SIGNED:

MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF LOS GATOS

LOS GATOS, CALIFORNIA

ATTEST:

TOWN CLERK OF THE TOWN OF LOS GATOS

LOS GATOS, CALIFORNIA