



**TOWN OF LOS GATOS
COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT**

MEETING DATE: 10/20/2026

ITEM NO: 2

**DRAFT
Minutes of the Town Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 6, 2026**

The Town Council of the Town of Los Gatos conducted a regular meeting in person and via teleconference.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:02 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Rob Moore, Vice Mayor Ristow, Council Member Mary Badame, Council Member Rennie, Council Member Matthew Hudes (participated remotely in accordance with Government Code Section 54953(b)(3)).

Absent: None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Rennie led the Pledge of Allegiance. The audience was invited to participate.

CONSENT ITEMS (TO BE ACTED UPON BY A SINGLE MOTION)

1. Approve the Minutes of the September 15, 2026, Special Town Council Meeting: Study Session.
2. Approve the Minutes of the September 15, 2026, Town Council Meeting.
3. Consent to Relieve Denali Tree Services of its Bid Due to a Bidder's Mistake, Award the Project to Community Tree Service LLC, and Find the Project Categorically Exempt (CEQA Section 15304).
4. Authorize the Town Manager to Execute the First Amendment to an Agreement for Professional Services with Dudek for Environmental Monitoring and Support Services Related to Roadside Vegetation Management Increasing Compensation by \$24,915, for a Total Amount Not to Exceed \$404,057.
5. Approve and Ratify the Accounts Payable Check Registers and Payroll Report.
6. Approve the Finance Commission's Updated 2026 Work Plan.
7. Adopt a Resolution Amending the Town of Los Gatos Purchasing Policy (Policy 4-06) and Repeal the Previous Policy. **RESOLUTION 2026-057**

Mayor Moore opened public comment.

The following individual spoke on the consent items:

1. Member of the Public (Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7)

Mayor Moore closed public comment.

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SUBJECT: Draft Minutes of the Town Council Meeting of October 6, 2026

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(Video time: 00:08:11)

MOTION: **Motion by Council Member Badame** to approve consent items one through seven. **Seconded by Vice Mayor Ristow.**

VOTE: **Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.**

VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Moore opened public comment.

The following individuals spoke during verbal communications:

1. Michael Kane
2. Diane Fisher
3. Member of the Public
4. Austin
5. Gordon Yamate
6. JoeENZ
7. Dorene and Jim
8. Joanne Rodgers
9. John Doe
10. Leanne
11. Susan Burnett

Mayor Moore closed public comment.

OTHER BUSINESS

8. Receive the July 2026 Expenditure and Revenue Reports and Approve the Monthly and Quarterly Reporting Formats.

Kristina Alfaro, Administrative Services Director, gave a presentation.

Mayor Moore opened public comment.

The following individuals spoke on this item:

1. Heidi Owens

Mayor Moore closed public comment.

Mayor Moore re-opened public comment.

2. Member of the Public

Mayor Moore closed public comment.

Council discussed the item.

(Video time: 01:13:27)

MOTION: Motion by Council Member Badame to receive the reports and approve the monthly financial reporting format in Attachment 5 and the quarterly financial reporting format in Attachment 6 for use beginning with the August 2026 reporting period, with the quarterly format replacing the monthly narrative report for each quarter ending reporting period: September, December, and March. **Seconded by Vice Mayor Ristow.**

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

COUNCIL MATTERS

- a. Discussion of Potential Amendments to Council Policy 2-04 and Board, Committee, and Commission Policy 2-19 Regarding Disclosure of Personal, Professional, and Business Relationships in Pending Matters.

Chris Constantin, Town Manager, provided information.

(Video time: 01:23:45)

MOTION: Motion by Council Member Badame to provide direction to staff to return to Council on a future agenda with proposed amendments to Council Policy 2-04 and 2-19 addressing disclosure of personal, professional, and business relationships with those who have an interest in the matter. Direction would also include supporting legal and implementation analysis. **Seconded by Mayor Moore.**

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Mayor Moore stated that he would like to agendize the discussion of the Town of Los Gatos's role in supporting a multicultural, multireligious, winter celebration, and part of the discussion to include waiving the hourly fee for the weekly series portion of the event.

- Council Member Rennie stated he met with Santa Clara Valley Water staff regarding an upcoming meeting agenda and presentation.
- Vice Mayor Ristow stated she attended a Saratoga City Council Meeting; met with representatives from the Police Officers Association (POA); participated in the League of California Cities Annual Conference; attended the Kiwani's Fiesta de Artes, the El Camino Health Los Gatos Cancer Center ribbon cutting, the Los Gatos-Monte Sereno Police Department Swearing-In Ceremony; met with Finance Commissioner Jay McGowan; attended the Terraces of Los Gatos Wine and Car Show, and the St. Mary's Country Fair.
- Council Member Badame stated she attended a fundraiser at the History Club of Los Gatos; participated in a meeting of a resident wildfire advisory group; attended a Saratoga Town Hall Meeting, a Silicon Valley Animal Control Authority Board Meeting, the El Camino Health

Los Gatos Cancer Center ribbon cutting, the Los Gatos-Monte Sereno Police Department Swearing-In Ceremony, and a Finance Commission meeting.

- Council Member Hudes stated he attended the Saratoga Council Meeting; participated in a meeting of the West Valley Wildfire Advisory Council; participated in the Silicon Valley Regional Interoperability Authority Board of Directors meeting; participated in a Community Health and Senior Services Commission (CHSSC) meeting, the El Camino Health Los Gatos Cancer Center ribbon cutting, the Los Gatos-Monte Sereno Police Department Swearing-In Ceremony, and met with the Executive Director of Los Gatos-Saratoga Recreation.
- Mayor Moore stated he met with Scout Troop 539, Junior Girl Scout Troop 6003; ran in the Los Gatos Rotary's Great Race; attended the Los Gatos Lion's Club Annual Date Night, Los Gatos Art and Wine Festival; attended the Chamber of Commerce Taste of Los Gatos, several cultural and community nights at local elementary schools, the Los Gatos Police Academy Community Kick-Off Night, the Los Gatos-Monte Sereno Police Department Swearing-In Ceremony; participated in the El Camino Health Los Gatos Cancer Center ribbon cutting, and Reveal Aesthetics ribbon cutting, and served as a guess DJ on KPCR local radio station.

MANAGER MATTERS

Chris Constantin, Town Manager

- Stated that recruitment for Town Boards and Commissions will be opening in the next week, the Youth Commission Recruitment will open in Spring 2027, and asked anyone interested to sign up for Notify Me.
- Attended the Swearing-In Ceremony for the Los Gatos-Monte Sereno Police Department.

ATTORNEY MATTERS AND CLOSED SESSION REPORT

Gabrielle Whelan, Town Attorney

- Stated that the Town Council met in closed session to discuss the Town Attorney recruitment, the Town Manager performance evaluation, one matter of anticipated litigation, and one matter of real property negotiations. With regard to the matter of anticipated litigation, the Town will continue to collect business license taxes from commercial landlords beginning with the year 2026 and following.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Jenna De Long, Deputy Town Clerk