



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Clearlake City Hall Council Chambers

14050 Olympic Dr, Clearlake, CA

Thursday, September 17, 2026

Regular Meeting 6:00 PM

MINUTES

A. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Dirk Slooten

Vice Mayor Tara Downey

Councilmember Russ Cremer

Councilmember Jessica Hooten

Councilmember Mary Wilson

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE

D. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Consent Item #7 was removed from the agenda.

Motion made by Councilmember Cremer, Seconded by Councilmember Wilson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Slooten, Vice Mayor Downey, Councilmember Cremer, Councilmember Hooten, Councilmember Wilson

E. PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation of September's Adoptable Dogs
2. Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring September 25, 2026 as Native American Day
3. Presentation from Lake County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo)

F. PUBLIC COMMENT

Jean Yanuch spoke regarding the Highlands Senior Service Center and supported the organization.

Maggie Willhite spoke in support of Highlands Senior Service Center.

Crystal Pack spoke regarding code enforcement issues. She stated she believed the Council to be dismissive of her complaints.

Joyce Adams spoke regarding the programs offered by HSSC.

Fawn Williams spoke regarding the conflicts between the City and the HSSC.

Joyce Overton spoke regarding the history of the HSSC and the Request For Proposals process. She spoke against the Council's decision to release the RFP.

Richard Brock spoke in favor of keeping the HSSC open.

Doug Harris spoke regarding his review of the RFP. He stated the RFP requires reporting that is already done to other agencies.

Unnamed person complained about the quality of tap water, commended the police department, and spoke in support of HSSC.

Leslie Sheridan spoke in favor of the HSSC.

Kathy Plowman spoke in favor of the HSSC. She stated the Council should be voted out of office.

Charlotte Withhim spoke in favor of the HSSC.

G. CONSENT AGENDA

Item #7 was removed from the agenda.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Downey, Seconded by Councilmember Cremer.

Voting Yea: Mayor Slooten, Vice Mayor Downey, Councilmember Cremer, Councilmember Hooten, Councilmember Wilson

4. Warrants

Recommended Action: Receive and file

5. Lake County Vector Control Board Minutes

Recommended Action: Receive and file

6. Minutes

Recommended Action: Receive and file

7. Adoption of New Job Descriptions and Updated Salary Ranges for Senior Maintenance Worker II and Parks & Facilities Foreman; Resolution No. 2026-37

Recommended Action: Adopt resolution

This item was removed from the agenda.

H. PUBLIC HEARING

8. Confirm assessments(s) in the total amount of \$91,158.50 for five (5) unpaid CalRecycle grant funded abatements, in accordance with Clearlake Municipal Code Chapter 10.

Lt. Peterson gave the staff report.

Mayor Slooten opened the Public Hearing at 6:35 p.m.

There were no comments.

Mayor Slooten closed the Public Hearing at 6:37 p.m.

Motion made by Councilmember Cremer, Seconded by Councilmember Wilson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Slooten, Vice Mayor Downey, Councilmember Cremer, Councilmember Hooten, Councilmember Wilson

I. BUSINESS

9. Presentation of Proposition 64 Public Health and Safety Grant Program, Cohort 4, and Consideration of Adoption of an Amendment to FY 2026-27 Budget (Resolution 2026-22); Resolution No. 2026-36

Recommended Action: Hear presentation and adopt resolution

Chief Hobbs gave the staff report.

Motion made by Councilmember Cremer.

Voting Yea: Mayor Slooten, Vice Mayor Downey, Councilmember Cremer, Councilmember Hooten, Councilmember Wilson

J. CITY MANAGER AND COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

K. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

L. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.



Melissa Swanson, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk