



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Clearlake City Hall Council Chambers

14050 Olympic Dr, Clearlake, CA

Thursday, March 19, 2026

Workshop 5:00 PM

Regular Meeting 6:00 PM

MINUTES

A. 5:00 PM ANNEXATION WORKSHOP

City Manager Flora gave the staff report.

It was the consensus of the Council to move forward with the annexation plan presented by the City Manager and begin the process.

B. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Dirk Slooten

Councilmember Russ Cremer

Councilmember Jessica Hooten

Councilmember Mary Wilson

ABSENT

Vice Mayor Tara Downey

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE

E. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion made by Councilmember Cremer, Seconded by Councilmember Wilson.

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

F. PUBLIC COMMENT

Crystal Pack spoke regarding code enforcement issues on her property. She stated she would be litigating against the City.

Kathy Plowman spoke regarding animal control in the City.

Justine Batie spoke regarding having the City being designated a Slow Town.

Animal Control Officer Charmaine Weldon introduced a pet for adoption.

G. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Councilmember Cremer, Seconded by Councilmember Hooten.

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

1. 2025 Annual Housing Element Progress Report
Recommended Action: Receive and File the 2025 Annual Progress Report
2. Warrants
Recommended Action: Receive and file
3. Consideration of Resolution No. 2026-11, A Resolution of the City of Clearlake Approving a Temporary Street Closure for the April 4th, 2026 Easter Egg Hunt
Recommended Action: Adopt resolution
4. Discussion and Consideration of Application for Proposition 64 Public Health and Safety Grant Program, Cohort 4; Resolution 2026-12
Recommended Action: Adopt resolution

H. BUSINESS

5. Consideration of Information and Updates from the Lake County Air Quality Management District
Recommended Action: Provide Direction to Staff

City Manager Flora gave the staff report.

It was the consensus of the Council to direct staff to begin the process of City representation on the LCAQMD Board.

6. Introduction of First Reading of Ordinance 286-2026 Amending Section 6-10.111 of the Clearlake Municipal Code Regarding Tobacco Retail Licensing
Recommended Action: Hold first reading of Ordinance No. 286-2026, read by title only, waive further reading, and set second reading and adoption for the next City Council meeting and Authorize the City Manager to Execute an MOU with the County for Administration of the Program.

City Manager Flora gave the staff report.

Motion made by Councilmember Cremer, Seconded by Councilmember Wilson.

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

7. Provide Update on the 2026 Robin Lane Sewer Spill
Recommended Action: Receive Update

City Manager Flora gave the update.

- 8. Discussion and Consideration of a Joint Letter Advocating for Opportunity Zones Selection
Recommended Action: Approve Joint Letter and Authorize the Mayor to Sign

City Manager Flora gave the staff report.

Motion made by Councilmember Cremer, Seconded by Councilmember Hooten.
Voting Yea: Mayor Slooten, Councilmember Cremer, Councilmember Hooten, Councilmember Wilson

- 9. Discussion and Consideration of Update to the Council Norms and Procedures
Recommended Action: Adopt Updated Council Norms and Procedures

City Manager Flora gave the staff report.

Motion made by Councilmember Wilson, Seconded by Councilmember Cremer.
Voting Yea: Mayor Slooten, Councilmember Cremer, Councilmember Hooten, Councilmember Wilson

I. CITY MANAGER AND COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

J. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

K. CLOSED SESSION

(10) Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE
EVALUATION: Title: City Manager

(11) Conference with Legal Counsel: Existing Litigation: Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1): Case No. CV-424401: Koi Nation of Northern California v. City of Clearlake, et al., Lake County Superior Court

L. ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION

There was no action taken by the Council in closed session.

M. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.



Melissa Swanson, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk