



GRASS VALLEY

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

Tuesday, March 24, 2026 at 6:00 PM

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

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AGENDA

Any person with a disability who requires accommodations to participate in this meeting should telephone the City Clerk's office at (530)274-4390, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to make a request for a disability related modification or accommodation.

**Mayor Hilary Hodge, Vice Mayor Haven Caravelli, Councilmember Jan Arbuckle,
Councilmember Joe Bonomolo, Councilmember Tom Ivy**

MEETING NOTICE

City Council welcomes you to attend the meetings electronically or in person at the City Hall Council Chambers, located at 125 E. Main St., Grass Valley, CA 95945. Regular Meetings are scheduled at 6:00 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. Your interest is encouraged and appreciated.

This meeting is being broadcast "live" on Comcast Channel 17 & 18 by Nevada County Media, on the internet at www.cityofgrassvalley.com, or on the City of Grass Valley YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/@cityofgrassvalley.com>

Members of the public are encouraged to submit public comments via voicemail at (530) 274-4390 and email to public@cityofgrassvalley.com. Comments will be reviewed and distributed before the meeting if received by 5pm. Comments received after that will be addressed during the item and/or at the end of the meeting. Council will have the option to modify their action on items based on comments received. Action may be taken on any agenda item.

Agenda materials, staff reports, and background information related to regular agenda items are available on the City's website: www.cityofgrassvalley.com. Materials related to an item on this agenda submitted to the Council after distribution of the agenda packet will be made available on the City of Grass Valley website at www.cityofgrassvalley.com, subject to City staff's ability to post the documents before the meeting.

Please note, individuals who disrupt, disturb, impede, or render infeasible the orderly conduct of a meeting will receive one warning that, if they do not cease such behavior, they may be removed from the meeting. The chair has authority to order individuals removed if they do not cease their disruptive behavior following this warning. No warning is required before an individual is removed if that individual engages in a use of force or makes a true threat of force. (Gov. Code, § 54957.95.)

Council Chambers are wheelchair accessible and listening devices are available. Other special accommodations may be requested to the City Clerk 72 hours in advance of the meeting by calling (530) 274-4390, we are happy to accommodate.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

AGENDA APPROVAL - *The City Council reserves the right to hear items in a different order to accomplish business in the most efficient manner.*

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

INTRODUCTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Country Gala Presentation

CITY UPDATE

PUBLIC COMMENT - *Members of the public are encouraged to submit public comments via voicemail at (530) 274-4390 and email to public@cityofgrassvalley.com. Comments will be reviewed and distributed before the meeting if received by 5pm. Comments received after 5pm will be addressed during the item and/or at the end of the meeting. Council will have the option to modify their action on items based on comments received. Action may be taken on any agenda item. There is a time limitation of three minutes per person for all emailed, voicemail, or in person comments, and only one type of public comment per person. Speaker cards are assigned for public comments that are on any items not on the agenda, and within the jurisdiction or interest of the City. Speaker Cards can be pulled until the opening of public comment at which time sign ups will no longer be allowed. These cards can be found at the City Clerks desk. If you wish to speak regarding a scheduled agenda item, please come to the podium when the item is announced. When recognized, please begin by providing your name and address for the record (optional). Thirty minutes of public comment will be heard under this item in order of the speaker card assigned and the remaining general public comments will be heard at the end of the meeting. We will begin with number one.*

CONSENT ITEMS -*All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are to be considered routine by the City Council and/or Grass Valley Redevelopment Agency and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless, before the City Council and/or Grass Valley Redevelopment Agency votes on the motion to adopt, members of the Council and/or Agency, staff or the public request specific items to be removed from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion and action but Council action is required to do so (roll call vote). Unless the Council removes an item from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion, public comments are invited as to the consent calendar as a whole and limited to three minutes per person.*

2. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 10, 2026

Recommendation: Council approve minutes as submitted.

3. Appointment of City Councilmembers and Staff to Boards and Commission

CEQA: Not a Project

Recommendation: Approve Mayor Hodge’s recommended appointments of Councilmembers and Staff to various Boards and Commissions.

4. 4th of July Fireworks Show (Approval of Pyro Spectaculars North Agreement)

CEQA: Not a project.

Recommendation: The Council 1) approve the 2026 4th of July Fireworks Show; 2) approve the City Manager to execute an Agreement with Pyro Spectaculars North, Inc. for the amount of \$25,500 for the 4th of July Fireworks Show subject to legal review; and 3) approve the Finance Director to make any necessary budget adjustments and transfers.

5. Grass Valley Management & Supervisory Professional & Confidential Employees - Unit 1 - Memorandum of Understanding for January 1, 2026 - December 31, 2026

CEQA: Not a project

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution No. 2026-05 approving the Labor Memorandum of Understanding for an twelve (12) month period beginning January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026, between the City of Grass Valley and the Grass Valley Management / Supervisory Professional & Confidential Employees Group (Unit 1).

6. Temby St Water Line Replacement Project - Authorization to Award Contract

CEQA: Exempt - Section 15301 “Existing Facilities”

Recommendation: That Council: 1) approve the findings that the project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), 2) authorize the City Engineer to award a contract to the lowest responsible bidder up to \$125,000, 3) authorize the Mayor to execute the construction contract, subject to legal review and, 4) authorize the City Engineer to approve construction change orders for up to 10% of the contract amount.

7. Wolf Creek Community and Connectivity Project - Authorization to Award Contract

CEQA: N/A - Consultant selection is a procedural action. CEQA review will be completed as part of the project work

Recommendation: That Council 1) authorize the City Engineer to execute a contract with GHD pending legal review, for Civil Engineering Design, Project Management and Environmental Services, in the amount of \$2,088,126.60 for the Wolf Creek Community and Connectivity Project

8. Memorandum of Agreement with UCLA-OpalAi Wildfire Modeling Software

CEQA: Not a project

Recommendation: That the City Council Authorize the Interim City Manager to sign/execute the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with UCLA Opal AI Wildfire Modeling Software, subject to legal review.

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

REORGANIZATION RELATED ITEMS

PUBLIC HEARING

9. **Title:** Conduit Financing for the Spring Hill Gardens Apartments Project

CEQA: Not a Project

Recommendation: That the council 1) Conduct the public hearing under the requirements of TEFRA and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”) & 2) Adopt Resolution No. 2026-04 approving the issuance of the Bonds by the California Municipal Finance Authority (CMFA) for the benefit of Springhill Gardens Associates, L.P., a California limited partnership (the “Borrower”), to provide for the financing of the Project, such adoption is solely for the purposes of satisfying the requirements of TEFRA, the Code and the California Government Code Section 6500 (and following).

ADMINISTRATIVE

BRIEF REPORTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC COMMENT

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POSTING NOTICE

This is to certify that the above notice of a meeting of The City Council, scheduled for Tuesday, March 24, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., was posted at city hall, easily accessible to the public, as of 5:00 p.m. Friday, March 20, 2026.

Taylor Whittingslow, City Clerk