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## GRASS VALLEY

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

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Tuesday, March 10, 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](http://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](mailto: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](http://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](http://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. Proclamation Honoring Eleanor Kenitzer
2. Recognition of Tim Kiser

## 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.*

3. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 24, 2026

**Recommendation:** Council approve minutes as submitted.

4. Review of 2025 Annual Housing Element Progress Report

**CEQA:** Not a Project

**Recommendation:** Receive and File. No formal action required.

5. Review of 2025 General Plan Annual Progress Report

**CEQA:** Not a project

**Recommendation:** Receive and File. No formal action required.

6. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Grass Valley and Public Safety Management Unit #10

**CEQA:** Not a project

**Recommendation:** That the City Council adopt resolution approving the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Grass Valley and the newly established Public Safety Management Unit #10, effective February 15, 2026 through June 30, 2026.

7. Purchase of Emergency Backup Generator for Fire Station 1

**CEQA:** Not a Project

**Recommendation:** That Council 1) that the City Council authorize the purchase and installation of a replacement emergency generator for Fire Station 1 in an amount not to exceed \$75,000, utilizing Fire Development Impact Fee funds, 2) authorize the Fire Chief to complete the purchase through the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing program, and 3) authorize the Finance Director to make any necessary budget transfers and/or amendments to complete the purchase and installation of the equipment.

8. Updated Sewer System Management Plan

**CEQA:** Not a Project

**Recommendation:** That Council adopts the proposed 2026 revision of the Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP)

9. Amendment to Legal Services Agreement with Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, PC

**CEQA:** Not a project

**Recommendation:** Approve Amendment to the Agreement for Legal Services with Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, PC, designating David J. Ruderman as City Attorney and Michael G. Colantuono as Assistant City Attorney, and adjusting rates for litigation, labor and employment, other specialized legal services, and reimbursable services.

10. Approval of modifications of Police Chief, and Fire Chief, Appendix A of their respective employment agreement.

**CEQA:** Not a project

**Recommendation:** That Council 1) approve the Amendment No. 1 and amended Appendix A of the Police Chief and Fire Chief Employment Agreements to modify the Retiree Health Plan Benefit, subject to legal review; and 2) authorize the City Manager to execute the Amendments subject to legal review.

11. Approval of Resolution No. 26-04 Support for a Potential Bear Yuba Land Trust Purchase of Land.

**CEQA:** Not a project

**Recommendation:** That Council approve Resolution No.26-04 supporting the Bear Yuba Land Trust's potential purchase of potential open space/recreational property.

12. Loma Rica Open Space and Trail Adoption by Bicyclists of Nevada County

**CEQA:** Not a project

**Recommendation:** That the Council approve the proposed trail adoption by Bicyclists of Nevada County (BONC).

13. Centreville Bike Park Project- Authorization to Award Contract

**CEQA:** Categorically Exempt - Section 15332 “In-Fill Development Projects”

**Recommendation:** That Council 1) award a Design Build contract for the Centreville Bike Park Project to Dynamic Trades, Inc., 2) authorize the Mayor to execute the contract, subject to legal review and, 3) authorize the City Engineer to approve construction change orders of up to 10% of the contract amount.

14. Memorial Park Magenta Drain Restoration Project- Environmental Services

**CEQA:** N/A - Procedural Motion

**Recommendation:** The Council 1) approves a change order with Dudek for additional environmental consulting services for the Memorial Park Magenta Drain Restoration Project, 2) authorize the Deputy Public Works Director to execute all related documents, subject to legal review and, 3) authorize the Finance Director to make any necessary budget adjustments and transfers.

15. Resolution Number 26-05 “Appointing Police Chief Alex Gammelgard as Interim City Manager”

**CEQA:** Not a project

**Recommendation:** By MOTION, adopt Resolution Number 26-05 “Appointing Police Chief Alex Gammelgard as Interim City Manager”

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

**REORGANIZATION RELATED ITEMS**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

**BRIEF REPORTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC COMMENT**

**ADJOURN**

**POSTING NOTICE**

This is to certify that the above notice of a meeting of The City Council, scheduled for Tuesday, March 10, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., was posted at city hall, easily accessible to the public, as of 5:00 p.m. Thursday, March 5, 2026.

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**Taylor Whittingslow, City Clerk**