



## TOWN OF LOS GATOS COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

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### Minutes of the Town Council Meeting Tuesday, August 5, 2025

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

#### MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

#### ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Matthew Hudes, Vice Mayor Rob Moore, Council Member Mary Badame, Council Member Rob Rennie, Council Member Maria Ristow (participated remotely under Government Code Section 54953 "Just Cause").

Absent: None.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Hudes 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 May 19, 2025, Joint Special Meeting of the Town Council and Finance Commission.
2. Approve the Minutes of the June 17, 2025, Town Council Special Meeting.
3. Approve the Minutes of the June 17, 2025, Town Council Meeting.
4. Receive the Monthly Financial and Investment Report for May 2025.
5. Accept a Report on the Approved Action Taken by the Town Manager During the 2025 Town Council Legislative Recess.
6. Adopt a Resolution Approving the Acceptance of the 2025-26 California Highway Patrol Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program Award for the Town of Los Gatos and Los Gatos-Monte Sereno Police Department in the Amount of \$248,955.98; Authorized Parks and Public Works to Purchase Two Police Interceptor Vehicles with Fit Ups required for Police Patrol at an estimated cost of \$188,868 and added these vehicles to the Town's Fleet Inventory; Authorized any additional cost to complete the vehicle fit-up, estimated not to exceed \$25,000; and Authorized revenue and expenditure budget adjustments in the amount of \$248,955.98 to receive and expend the grant proceeds. **RESOLUTION 2025-040**
7. Authorize the Town Manager to Execute the First Amendment to the Agreement for Services with DIXON Resources Unlimited for Services Related to the Downtown Parking Program to Increase the Total Compensation to \$485,297 and Extend the Term to June 30, 2028, and Make Associated Revenue and Expenditure Budget Transfers.
8. Approve the Fourth Amendment to the Agreement for Services with Traffic Management, Inc., (Attachment 1) increasing the contract amount by \$41,607.64 to cover the 2025 Halloween and Children's Holiday Parade road closures and traffic control services, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$135,400.64.

9. Adopt a Resolution Granting an Appeal of a Planning Commission Decision to Deny a Request to Demolish an Existing Accessory Structure and Construct a New Accessory Structure Exceeding 1,000 Square Feet in Gross Floor Area and Site Improvements Requiring a Grading Permit on Property Zoned HR-2½. Located at 16511 Cypress Way. APN 532-24-004. Architecture and Site Application S-24-045. Exempt Pursuant to the CEQA Section 15303(a): New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures. Property Owners: Jackie and Scott Kolander. Applicant: Michael Harris. Project Planner: Suray Nathan. **RESOLUTION 2025-041**
10. Adopt a Resolution Approving the Final Map for Tract No. 10620 at 16378 Bennett Way and Accept Dedications. **RESOLUTION 2025-042**
11. Authorize the Town Manager to Execute a Three-Year Agreement, with Two One-Year Extension Options, for Consultant Services, Including Pass-Through Surveying Services with Kier & Wright Civil Engineers & Surveyors, Inc., in an Amount Not to Exceed \$250,000.
12. Authorize the Town Manager to execute a Seventh Amendment (Attachment 1) to a special services agreement with Liebert Cassidy Whitmore.
13. Authorize the Town Manager to Execute a Notice of Completion and Certificate of Acceptance for Specified Private Improvements Completed by SummerHill N40 LLC for the North 40 Phase 1 Development at Lark Avenue and Los Gatos Boulevard and Directed Staff to Submit it for Recordation.
14. Authorize the Submission of Wildfire Planning and Mitigation Grant Applications to CAL FIRE, FEMA, and the California Fire Safe Council.
15. Adopted a Resolution to (1) appoint the Town Manager as Plan Administrator for the City's 457(b) and 401(a) defined contribution retirement plans; (2) authorize the Town Manager to execute necessary service provider agreements related to the administration of the plans; and (3) grant Town Manager the authority to delegate/assign duties for the plan to Shuster Advisory Group, LLC, to provide fiduciary investment advisory and plan consultative services, and appropriate departments and staff to fulfill the Town's fiduciary responsibilities and duties as outlined in Article XVI, Section 17 of the California Constitution. **RESOLUTION 2025-043**
16. Authorize the Town Manager to Execute a Third Amendment to the Contract for Legal Services with the Law Firm of Goldfarb & Lipman to Increase the Contract Amount by \$65,000, for a Total Contract Amount Not to Exceed \$305,000.

Mayor Hudes opened public comment.

Gus Who

- Commented on concerns with items number one and three.

Lee Fagot

- Commented on concerns with item number seven.

Mayor Hudes closed public comment.

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

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

### VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS

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- Commented on various concerns.

### PUBLIC HEARINGS

17. Conduct a Public Hearing to Consider Objections to the 2025 Weed Abatement Program Assessment Report and Adopt a Resolution Confirming the Report and Authorizing the Collection of the Assessment Charges. **RESOLUTION 2025-044**

Stefanie Hockemeyer, Project Manager, presented the staff report.

The Council asked preliminary questions.

Mayor Hudes opened public comment.

Jai Hakhu

- Requested that his property be removed from the assessment list.

**MOTION:** Motion by Council Member Badame to adopt a resolution that is amended in Attachment 1, which would remove Parcel Number 409-15-021, property address 14329 Mulberry, confirm the report, and authorize the collection of assessment charges. **Seconded by Council Member Rennie.**

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

18. Consider an Appeal of a Planning Commission Decision to Approve Construction of a New Single-Family Residence with Reduced Rear Yard Setbacks, Site Improvements Requiring a Grading Permit, and Removal of Large Protected Trees on Vacant Property Zoned R-1:20. Located at 45 Reservoir Road. APN 529-33-054. Architecture and Site Application S-22-048. Categorically Exempt Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15303: New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures. Property Owner: Farnaz Agahian. Applicant: Gary Kohlsaas, Architect. Project Planner: Sean Mullin. **RESOLUTION 2025-045**

Sean Mullin, Planning Manager, presented the staff report.

Mary Vidovich, appellant, provided a presentation citing concerns with the proposed plans and reasons for the appeal.

Gary Kohlsaatt, applicant, provided a presentation on the proposed project and answered clarifying questions.

Mayor Hudes opened public comment.

Kia Baratzadeh

- Commented on the proposed project and spoke in support of rejecting the appeal.

Lee Quintana

- Commented on concerns with the project.

Ann Cali

- Commented on concerns with the project.

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- Commented in support of the proposed project.

Mayor Hudes closed public comment.

The applicant provided closing statements.

The appellant provided closing statements.

Council discussed the item.

**MOTION:** Motion by Council Member Badame to adopt a resolution (Attachment 10) denying an appeal of a Planning Commission's decision to approve a request to construct a new single-family residence with reduced rear yard setbacks, site improvements requiring a Grading Permit, and removal of large protected trees on vacant property zoned R-1:20, located at 45 Reservoir Road, and add to the conditions of approval that the fire[truck] turnaround be completed prior to any construction of the home, and that a cement or equally sturdy barrier [planter] be built next to the master bedroom to protect the occupants of the home. **Seconded by Council Member Ristow.**

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

Mayor Hudes called a recess at 8:32 p.m.

Mayor Hudes reconvened the meeting at 8:39 p.m.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

19. Receive an Update on the Town's Federal Funding and Grants and Consider Federal Actions Impacting the Town.

Katy Nomura, Assistant Town Manager, presented the staff report.

Council asked preliminary questions.

Mayor Hudes opened public comment.

No one spoke.

Mayor Hudes closed public comment.

Council discussed the item, and no action was taken.

## **COUNCIL/TOWN MANAGER REPORTS**

### **Council Matters**

- Council Member Badame stated she met and corresponded with several residents on various issues.
- Vice Mayor Moore stated he tabled the Farmer's Market; met with one of the Governing Affairs representatives from Netflix; attended the Fourth of July Symphony in the Park Event, Music in the Park, and Jazz on the Plaz; announced that West Valley Sanitation District will be recruiting for a new District Manager and Engineer; spoke with Silicon Valley Youth Climate Action Leadership Academy participants and Summer Climate Fellows of the San Jose Conservation Corps; met with the Deputy and Director of the Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation, and the new Los Gatos High School President; attended the Los Gatos-Monte Sereno Police Department (LGMSPD) Swearing In and Promotion Ceremony, the West Valley Community Services (WVCS) unveiling of their new three-year strategic plan; and stated he will host an e-bike listening session.
- Council Member Rennie stated he had nothing to report.
- Council Member Ristow stated she attended the LGMSPD Swearing In and Promotion Ceremony, a Ribbon Cutting for WVCS Park-It Market, the LGMSPD Special Olympics Torch Run; met with the Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Chair; attended the Fourth of July Symphony in the Park Event, and the Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority (SVCEA) Finance and Administration Committee Meeting; and met with many residents to discuss a variety of topics.
- Mayor Hudes stated in addition to the meetings and events that were mentioned, he participated in a Service Academy in the 129 Rescue Wing at Moffet Field; met with the Los Gatos Thrives Board, and the Wildfire Advisory Group; participated in the community Health and Senior Services Commission Meeting; observed Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Commission Meeting; attended a Ribbon Cutting at the Porche service center, a Ribbon Cutting at a local Rehabilitation Center.

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**Town Manager Matters**

- Announced two upcoming information sessions on the Firewise Community Program; one session will be held on August 16 at the Jewish Community Center, and a second session will be held on August 22 at El Camino Hospital, with an option to attend virtually.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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/s/ Jenna De Long, Deputy Town Clerk