



TOWN OF LOS GATOS COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

Minutes of the Town Council Meeting Tuesday, December 2, 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.

Absent: None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Hudes invited Ben Daniel to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. The audience was invited to participate.

The Mayor announced that items seventeen and eighteen will be moved to the next regular meeting, and that item twelve will be addressed immediately after the Youth Commission's presentation on their work plan.

PRESENTATIONS

The Youth Commission gave a presentation on their work plan.

OTHER BUSINESS

12. Approval of a Two-Year Work Plan for the Los Gatos Youth Commission (2026 - 2028).

Council discussed the item.

Mayor Hudes opened public comment.

No one spoke.

Mayor Hudes closed public comment.

MOTION: **Motion by Council Member Ristow** to approve the work plan with the change suggested by the Vice Mayor [support the Town of Los Gatos's implementation of the 2026 statewide plastic bag ban through educating residents and recognizing businesses that comply with the new law]. **Seconded by Vice Mayor Moore.**

VOTE: **Motion passed unanimously.**

CONSENT ITEMS (TO BE ACTED UPON BY A SINGLE MOTION)

1. Approve the Minutes of the November 18, 2025, Town Council Meeting.
2. Adopt a Resolution Declaring Weeds a Public Nuisance, Ordering Such Nuisance to be Abated, and Setting a Public Hearing Date of February 3, 2026, to Consider Objections to the Proposed Abatement. **RESOLUTION 2025-060**
3. Authorize the Town Manager to Execute a Third Amendment to an Agreement for Services with OpenGov, Inc., for an Amount Not to Exceed \$401,214.79.
4. Authorize the Town Manager to Execute an Agreement for Consultant Services with Dudek for the Preparation of an Urban Forest Management Plan for an Amount Not to Exceed \$243,810 and Approve Revenue and Expenditure Budget Adjustments in the Amount of \$243,810.
5. Receive an Annual Report Regarding the Independent Police Auditor Function.
6. Authorize the Town Manager to Execute a First Amendment to the Agreement for Services with Lisa Wise, Inc., Revising the Scope of Work at No Additional Cost.
7. Adopt an Ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of Los Gatos Repealing Chapter 6, "Building Regulations," and Chapter 9, "Fire Prevention and Protection," of the Town of Los Gatos Municipal Code, and Replacing Them with a New Chapter 6, "Building Code and Regulations," that Includes the New 2025 California Building, Fire, and Reach Codes as Amended. Amendments Include Updated Fire Safety Requirements in Wildland Urban Interface Areas for New, Renovated, or Repaired Structures, as well as Reach Codes Affecting Air Conditioning Replacement and Electrical Readiness in Renovations/Alterations. Town Code Amendment Application A25-005. Project Locations: Town Wide. Applicant: Town of Los Gatos.
Ordinance Title: An ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of Los Gatos Repealing Chapter 6, "Building Regulations," and Chapter 9, "Fire Prevention and Protection," and Replacing Them with a New Chapter 6, "Building Codes and Regulations," that Includes the New 2025 California Building, Fire, and Reach Codes, as Amended. Amendments Include Updated Fire Safety Requirements in Wildland Urban Interface Areas for New, Renovated, or Repaired Structures. **ORDINANCE 2380**
8. Authorize the Town Manager to Execute Agreements for Environmental Consultant Services with David J. Powers and Associates, EMC Planning Group, Inc., and Raney Planning and Management, Inc.
9. Authorize the Town Manager to Execute the First Amendment to an Agreement for Services with Los Gatos Monte Sereno Safe Routes to School Program for an Amount of \$371,158.26 Plus Annual CPI Increases, and Budget Adjustments in the Amount of \$88,457 to Recognize Annual Funding from Valley Transportation Authority's Measure B Education & Encouragement Program (CIP No. 812-0134).
10. Authorize the Town Manager to Execute a Fourth Amendment to the Agreement for Services with Sequoia Ecological Consulting Inc.
11. Authorize the Town Manager to Reopen the Building Replacement at Corporation Yard Project (4118715; CIP No. 821-2302) and Authorize an Expenditure Budget Adjustment in the Amount of \$83,565.38.

12. Approval of a Two-Year Work Plan for the Los Gatos Youth Commission (2026 - 2028).
13. Authorize the Town Manager or Designee to Enter into a First Amendment to the Contract for Litigation Legal Services for FY 2025-26 with Goldfarb and Lipman to Increase the Contract Amount by \$150,000.00, for a Total Contract Amount Not to Exceed \$350,000.00 and Authorize an Expenditure Budget Adjustment of \$150,000.00 from the General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance.
14. Authorize the Town Manager to Execute a Fifth Amendment in substantially the form presented with Hinderliter de Llamas & Associates dba HdL Companies for Sales or Transaction and Use Tax Management and Audit Services; Adopt a Resolution as Required by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration (CDTFA), Authorizing Certain Town Representatives and a Town Contractor Access to Sales or Transactions, and Use Tax Records Pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code Section 7056; and Rescind Resolution 2025-051. **RESOLUTION 2025-063**
15. Authorize a Revenue and Expenditure Budget Adjustment in the Amount of \$9,500.00 from the Town's Public Art Fund for the Forbes Mill Footbridge Children's Art for Fiscal Year 2025-26.
16. Adopt a Resolution Modifying the Hours of Enforcement for Passenger Loading Zones on East Main Street Adjacent to Los Gatos High School. **RESOLUTION 2025-061**

Mayor Hudes opened public comment.

Lee Quintana

- Commented on item eight.

Mayor Hudes closed public comment.

MOTION: Motion by Council Member Ristow to approve items one through eleven, and thirteen through sixteen. **Seconded** by Vice Mayor Moore.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS

Sudhana Belur, Indigenous Justice Coalition

- Commented on the federal recognition for Muwekma Ohlone Tribe.

Parker Huynhm, Indigenous Justice Coalition

- Commented on the federal recognition for Muwekma Ohlone Tribe.

Ray He, Indigenous Justice Coalition

- Commented on the federal recognition for Muwekma Ohlone Tribe.

Gavin Chang, Indigenous Justice Coalition

- Commented on the federal recognition for Muwekma Ohlone Tribe.

OTHER BUSINESS

17. Adopt a Resolution for the California Public Employees' Retirement System Retirement Plan to Waive the 180-day Retiree Rehire Wait Period for Gitta Ungvari.

This item was moved to the next regular Town Council Meeting (December 16).

18. Adopt a Resolution for the California Public Employees' Retirement System Retirement Plan to Waive the 180-day Retiree Rehire Wait Period for Janette Judd.

This item was moved to the next regular Town Council Meeting (December 16).

19. Resolution Terminating Membership in the Pooled Liability Assurance Network Joint Powers Authority and Authorizing Membership in the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (CJPIA) to Obtain Risk Management and Insurance Coverages. **RESOLUTION 2025-062**

Chris Constantin, Town Manager, presented the staff report and provided a presentation outlining the purpose of the item, the staff recommendation, and an overview of the item.

The Council asked questions of a CJPIA representative.

Mayor Hudes opened public comment.

No one spoke.

Mayor Hudes closed public comment.

Council asked questions and discussed the item.

MOTION: Motion by **Council Member Badame** to adopt a resolution authorizing the Town Manager and Town Attorney to issue written notice of termination of the Town's membership in the Pooled Liability Assurance Network Joint Powers Authority (PLAN JPA) at the end of the fiscal year and to execute all necessary agreements to join the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (CJPIA) and obtain risk management and insurance coverages. **Seconded** by **Vice Mayor Moore**.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

COUNCIL/TOWN MANAGER REPORTS

Council Matters

20. Discuss a Letter from the Historic Preservation Committee to the Town Council Regarding Future Historic Preservation Workplan Items and Provide Direction to Staff.

Sean Mullin, Planning Manager, presented the staff report.

Mayor Hudes opened public comment.

Lee Quintana, Historic Preservation Committee Chair

- Commented on the proposed work plan items.

Susan Burnett

- Commented on the reasons for the proposed workplan items.

Mayor Hudes closed public comment.

The Council asked questions and discussed the item.

MOTION: Motion by **Mayor Hudes** to ask staff to evaluate the level of effort and the feasibility of the following items: preserving smaller homes, reviewing the boundaries of the historic districts, refreshing the Bloomfield survey, considering replacement structure historically relevant, and adopting pre-1941 to seventy year rolling, and to update and clarify definitions and required findings for determining [historic] status after the objective standards have been substantially completed. **Seconded by Council Member Badame.**

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

Council Matters

- Council Member Badame stated she participated in a meeting of the Silicon Valley Animal Control Authority (SVACA), a resident wildfire advisory group; attended a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Commission (DEIC) meeting as an observer, and a meeting of the Finance Commission as an observer.
- Council Member Ristow stated she attended the Los Gatos Interfaith Thanksgiving Service, the Live Oak Thanksgiving Celebration, a Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority (SVCEA) Finance and Administration Committee meeting; met with the North40 developers, and residents.
- Vice Mayor Moore stated he attended the Los Gatos Interfaith Thanksgiving Service, a meeting with El Camino Hospital representatives, Muse Markets, a Finance Commission meeting, and other meetings.
- Council Member Rennie stated he attended the SVCEA Risk Oversight Committee meeting.
- Mayor Hudes stated he met with neighbors of the Twin Oaks development; observed the DEIC meeting; participated in meetings with the Community Center group, SVCEA, the West Valley Mayors and Managers, and the Los Gatos Thrives Foundation.

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Town Manager Report

Chris Constantin, Town Manager

- Stated he had no report.

Closed Session Report

Gabrielle Whelan, Town Attorney

- Stated that the Town Council started closed session (before the regular meeting) and will reconvene in closed session after the regular meeting is adjourned, and will return to the Chambers to report out.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

/s/ Jenna De Long, Deputy Town Clerk