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**CITY OF SONORA
City Council Regular Meeting
Minutes
Tuesday, February 17, 2026
5:00 PM**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Sonora City Council will have their regular meeting on February 17, 2026, at 5:00 PM in the City of Sonora Council Chambers located at 94 N. Washington Street Sonora, CA 95370.

This meeting is physically open to the Public and citizens who wish to provide public comment during the meeting will be invited to do so by the Mayor.

Written comments can be submitted to be included as part of the administrative record; they will not be read during the meeting. All comments must be received by 3:00 pm on the day of the noticed meeting and can be submitted to the City Clerk at 94 N. Washington Street Sonora, CA 95370, or via email to tskelly@sonoraca.com.

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The Public will not have access to give public comments via public access audio and video live streaming; they are available for audio and visual only; and can be accessed via our website at www.sonoraca.com.

Remote viewing of the meeting via live streaming is provided to members of the public as a courtesy. If the live streaming connection malfunctions for any reason and no Council Members are attending via teleconference, the City Council will continue the public meeting in Chambers without remote access.

CITY COUNCIL appreciates your interest and encourages participation. Regularly scheduled meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month.

The numerical order of the items on this agenda is for convenience of reference. Items may be taken out of order upon request of the Mayor or Council Members. All questions shall be directed to the Mayor who, at their discretion, will refer to Staff.

Mayor Ann Segerstrom

Vice Mayor Andy Merrill

Council Members Bess Levine, Stephen Opie, Mark Plummer

City Administrator Christopher Gorsky

City Attorney Douglas White

Minutes Approved by Sonora City

Council on 03/02/2026

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OPEN SESSION - 5:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Mark Plummer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Ann Segerstrom

Vice Mayor Andy Merrill

Councilmember Bess Levine

Councilmember Stephen Opie

Councilmember Mark Plummer

CITY CLERK'S REPORT ON AGENDA POSTING

The Agenda was posted on Friday, February 13, 2026, at 10:23 am.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion made by Vice Mayor Andy Merrill, Seconded by Councilmember Mark Plummer. Voting Yea: Mayor Ann Segerstrom, Vice Mayor Andy Merrill, Councilmember Bess Levine, Councilmember Stephen Opie, Councilmember Mark Plummer

PUBLIC COMMENT (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)

The public may address the Council on any item of public interest not otherwise on the agenda that is within the jurisdiction of the City. No action may be taken. Matters to be addressed may be referred to City Staff or placed on a subsequent meeting Agenda. Speakers are limited to a three (3) minute presentation.

No public comment.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Receive an Introduction and Swearing in of Fire Engineer Hayden Fleming; Brittan Gregory, Fire Chief.

Brittan Gregory Fire Chief gave a brief background on Hayden Fleming and invited his girlfriend, Shelby to assist with the tradition of pinning the Fire Engineer Badge.

Brittan Gregory Fire Chief officiated the Ceremonial Swearing in of Hayden Fleming.

Hayden Fleming Fire Engineer thanked his family, Chief, co-workers, and City.

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The Council congratulated Hayden Fleming Fire Engineer.

2. Receive a Presentation on Visit Tuolumne County's Quarterly Report; Lisa Mayo, Visit Tuolumne County President & CEO, Jen Lopez, Visit Tuolumne County Marketing Manager, and Amariah Richards, Visit Tuolumne County Business Development Manager.

Jen Lopez Visit Tuolumne County Marketing Manager presented the Quarterly Report including NBC/Universal Bay Area Commercial and California Live; Print and Social Ads; Paid Media Digital Billboards; Web Views; Special Seasonal Campaign; So Beautiful; Public Relations and Media Coverage.

Amariah Richards Visit Tuolumne County Business Development Manager presented New and Around the Bend; and International Trends and Looking Ahead.

Jen Lopez Visit Tuolumne County Marketing Manager informed those in attendance the February Marketing meeting will now be on Zoom.

Councilmembers asked questions and made comments.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Items on the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be voted on in one motion unless a Council member or member of the public has a question or wishes to discuss an item. In that case, the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.

3. Consider Approval of the Meeting Minutes from January 20, 2026; Stacy Enos-Del Razo, Deputy City Clerk.
4. Consider Acceptance of an Informational Report for January 2026 Accounts Payable Payment Register and Void Report; Chris Gorsky, City Administrator
5. Consider Acceptance of Disbursements in the Amount of \$200,746.69 and \$208,580.27 for Payroll, Including Employee Salaries, Employer and Employee Taxes, Retirement Contributions, Miscellaneous Voluntary Employee Deductions, Holiday Pay, and Other Adjustments, Including Retro-Pay; Tracy Skelly, Administrative Services Officer.
6. Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 02-17-2026-B Approving a Side Letter to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Sonora Fire Fighters Association (SFFA) to Comply with California Code of Regulations (CCR) Sections 571 and 571.1, and Resolution No. 02-17-2026-C Approving the Updated Salary Range Table for the Group Reflecting Accurate Reporting of Compensation to CalPERS; Tracy Skelly, Administrative Services Officer, Chris Gorsky, City Administrator.

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7. Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 02-17-2026-D Approving the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Updated Salary Range Table for the Sonora Fire Fighters' Association (SFFA) for FY2025-2028 and Authorize the Mayor to Sign the Agreement; Tracy Skelly, Administrative Services Officer, Chris Gorsky, City Administrator.
8. Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 02-17-2026-E Approving the Updated Salary Range Tables for Sonora Part-Time/Relief/Unrepresented Employees to Ensure Compliance with California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) Regulations; Tracy Skelly, Administrative Services Officer, Chris Gorsky, City Administrator.

Councilmembers made comments.

Mayor Ann Segerstrom had a question on the Side Letter.

Chris Gorsky City Administrator responded to the question.

Motion made by Councilmember Mark Plummer, Seconded by Vice Mayor Andy Merrill. Voting Yea: Mayor Ann Segerstrom, Vice Mayor Andy Merrill, Councilmember Bess Levine, Councilmember Stephen Opie, Councilmember Mark Plummer

PUBLIC HEARINGS

9. Conduct a Public Hearing to Receive Public Comment Regarding the Accomplishments Under State Administered Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program 22-CDBG-00009; Tyler Summersett, Community Development Director.

Tyler Summersett Community Development Director conducted a public hearing regarding the accomplishments under state administrated Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program 22-CDBG-00009.

No public comment.

No Action Required.

Mayor Ann Segerstrom closed the public hearing.

NEW BUSINESS

10. Adopt Resolution No. 02-17-2026-A Designating Authorized Agents to Execute and File Applications for Disaster Assistance and Grants on Behalf of the City of Sonora through the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES); Brittan Gregory, Fire Chief.

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Brittan Gregory Fire Chief gave a background on the Resolution designating authorized agents to execute and file applications for disaster assistance and grants on behalf of the City through the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES).

No public comment.

Motion made by Councilmember Mark Plummer, Seconded by Councilmember Stephen Opie. Voting Yea: Mayor Ann Segerstrom, Vice Mayor Andy Merrill, Councilmember Bess Levine, Councilmember Stephen Opie, Councilmember Mark Plummer

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Councilmember Stephen Opie attended YES Council.

Councilmember Bess Levine had nothing to report.

Vice Mayor Andy Merrill attended TCTC meeting (Tuolumne Transportation Council); and ATCAA meeting (Amador Tuolumne County Community Action Agency).

Councilmember Mark Plummer attended the TCTC Ad Hoc Committee meeting; and the Questa Heights development meeting.

Mayor Ann Segerstrom discussed the TCTC Ad Hoc Committee meeting; and the Questa Heights development meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 5:44 pm.

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