



**City Council of the City of Hollister
Minutes of the Regular Meeting**

**May 5, 2025, 6:30 p.m.
City Council Chamber, City Hall
375 Fifth Street, Hollister, CA 95023**

Members Present: **Roxanne Stephens, Mayor**
 Rudy Picha, District 1
 Rolan Resendiz, District 2
 Dolores Morales, District 3
 Priscilla de Anda, District 4

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stephens called the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Hollister to order at 6:33 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Picha led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Stephens opened public comment at 6:36 p.m.

There were no speakers for the closed session agenda items.

Mayor Stephens closed public comment at 6:36 p.m.

City Attorney Mary Lerner read the closed session item title.

**4.1 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL- ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9**

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (d) of section 54956.9 of the Government Code (1 case)

Mayor Stephens convened the meeting into closed session at 6:37 p.m.

The City Council reconvened in open session at 7:09 p.m.

5. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

City Attorney Mary Lerner stated no reportable action was taken in closed session.

6. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

6.1 ROTARY CLUB 100TH ANNIVERSARY PROCLAMATION

Mayor Stephens presented a proclamation honor the Hollister Rotary Club's 100th Anniversary to its president Larry Barr.

Mr. Barr shared an update on the Hollister Rotary Club and its work in the community.

6.2 WATER AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION

Councilmember de Anda presented a proclamation to recognize Water Awareness Month.

6.3 WATER AWARENESS MONTH PRESENTATION

Jennifer Cosio Arellano, Water Conservation Program Manager with the Water Resources Association of San Benito County, provided the presentation.

7. PUBLIC INPUT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

No speakers present.

8. CONSENT ITEMS

Mayor Stephens opened public comment at 7:28 p.m.

There were no speakers for the consent agenda items.

Mayor Stephens closed public comment at 7:28 p.m.

Moved by: Council Member Morales

Seconded by: Mayor Stephens

The consent calendar items are approved.

Ayes (5): Mayor Stephens, Council Member Picha, Council Member Resendiz, Council Member Morales, and Council Member de Anda

Carried (5 to 0)

8.1 APRIL 21, 2025 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

8.2 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE HOLLISTER MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD SECTION 8.40 ENTITLED "FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES" TO DESIGNATE LOCAL FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES

Moved by: Council Member Morales
Seconded by: Mayor Stephens

Adopt an ordinance designating Fire Hazard Severity Zones (FHSZ) in the City of Hollister City Limits.

Carried

8.3 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DRAFT ENGINEER’S REPORT FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS FOR LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING DISTRICT NO. 93-1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026

Moved by: Council Member Morales
Seconded by: Mayor Stephens

Adopt a resolution approving the Draft Engineer’s Report, as filed, for the levy and collection of assessments for Landscape and Lighting District No. 93-1 for Fiscal Year 2025/2026.

Carried

8.4 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AIRPORT USE AGREEMENT WITH TRUWEATHER SOLUTIONS, INC TO PLACE ADVANCED WEATHER SENSOR INSTRUMENTS AT THE HOLLISTER MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

Moved by: Council Member Morales
Seconded by: Mayor Stephens

Adopt a resolution approving an Airport Use Agreement with TruWeather Solutions, Inc. to place advanced weather sensor instruments at the Hollister Municipal Airport and authorizing the City Manager to execute the Agreement.

Carried

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

9.1 A RESOLUTION FOR THE 2025 WEED ABATEMENT PROGRAM AND HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING

Fire Chief Jonathan Goulding provided the staff presentation.

Mayor Stephens opened the public hearing at 7:33 p.m.

There were no speakers for this item.

Mayor Stephens closed the public hearing at 7:33 p.m.

Moved by: Council Member Morales

Seconded by: Council Member Resendiz

Adopt a resolution declaring the condition of certain properties to constitute a public nuisance, ordering the abatement of weeds thereon.

Ayes (5): Mayor Stephens, Council Member Picha, Council Member Resendiz, Council Member Morales, and Council Member de Anda

Carried (5 to 0)

10. COUNCIL BUSINESS

10.1 UPDATE REGARDING THE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES CONTRACT AMENDMENTS WITH THE COUNTY OF SAN BENITO AND THE CITY OF SAN JUAN BAUTISTA

City Manager David Mirrione provided the staff report.

Mayor Stephens opened public comment at 7:38 p.m.

Mia Casey expressed concern regarding San Benito County's decision to end negotiations and supported the three agencies working together.

Mayor Stephens closed public comment at 7:41 p.m.

By consensus, the City Council dissolved the fire negotiations ad hoc committee, requested budget information from staff to address the fire services contract ending, and stated the City continues to be open to any further negotiations.

11. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

11.1 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Mayor Stephens reported the San Benito Council of Governments (SBCOG) met and discussed transportation services for Gavilan College and Highway 25 construction. Additionally, she and Councilmember Picha met with the Hollister Downtown Association and downtown businesses regarding the motorcycle rally.

Councilmember Morales requested SBCOG notify residents when construction occurs on Highway 25.

11.2 COUNCIL REPORTS

No reports.

1. CITY COUNCIL REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

11.3 CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager David Mirrione reported City Clerk Jennifer Woodworth recently received the California Municipal Clerk's Association Presidential Award of Distinction for mentoring.

1. UPDATED CITY COUNCIL PROJECTS

12. CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Stephens opened public comment at 8:13 p.m.

There were no speakers for the closed session agenda items.

Mayor Stephens closed public comment at 8:13 p.m.

City Attorney Mary Lerner read the closed session item titles.

12.1 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.6

Agency designated representatives: City Manager David Mirrione

Employee Organizations: Service Employees International Union (SEIU), Local 521; Hollister Firefighters Union (HFFU), Local 3395; Hollister Peace Officer Association (HPOA); and un-represented employees

12.2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL- ANTICIPATED LITIGATION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9

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Mayor Stephens convened the meeting into closed session at 8:14 p.m.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Stephens adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

Jennifer Woodworth, City Clerk