



**CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, October 21, 2025**

5:30 PM
City Hall, Council Chambers
130 Cremona Drive
Goleta, California

Members of the City Council

Mayor Paula Perotte
Mayor Pro Tempore Stuart Kasdin, District 4
Councilmember Luz Reyes-Martín, District 1
Councilmember James Kyriaco, District 2
Councilmember Jennifer Smith, District 3

Robert Nisbet, City Manager
Deborah S. Lopez, City Clerk
Isaac Rosen, City Attorney

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Perotte called the meeting to order at 5:31 P.M., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL OF CITY COUNCIL

PRESENT: Mayor Perotte, Mayor Pro Tempore Kasdin, Councilmembers Reyes-Martín and Smith
ABSENT: Councilmember Kyriaco

INTRODUCTION OF SPANISH INTERPRETERS/INTRODUCCIÓN DE INTÉRPRETES DE ESPAÑOL

Mayor Perotte introduced the Spanish language interpreters for the meeting.

PUBLIC FORUM

Public Comment Received

April Reid expressed concerns regarding Kenwood Village.

AMENDMENTS OR ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA

None

CITY MANAGER/STAFF REPORT

Robert Nisbet, City Manager, acknowledged the Finance Department for receiving the Government Finance Officers Association Award for the City of Goleta's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, the highest form of recognition in governmental accounting and financial reporting; he also reported that the Goleta Valley Library has installed new signage to make the facility easier to locate; he noted that the City Council recently adopted improvements and changes to the City of Goleta Tenant Protection Ordinance, which went into effect on October 17, 2025, and announced that a community meeting for tenants and landlords will be held on November 5, 2025, at 12:00 P.M. to discuss the ordinance; and he further announced that the next Coffee and Community event will take place on November 6, 2025, at 10:00 A.M. at Stow House with Mayor Perotte and Councilmember Reyes-Martin in attendance.

A. CONSENT CALENDAR

A.1 Approval of the City Council Meeting Minutes of September 16, 2025 and the City Council Meeting Minutes of October 7, 2025

Approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of September 16, 2025 and the City Council Meeting Minutes of October 7, 2025.

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MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Kasdin/Councilmember Reyes-Martin to approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of September 16, 2025 and the City Council Meeting Minutes of October 7, 2025.

VOTE: Motion approved by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Mayor Perotte, Mayor Pro Tempore Kasdin, Councilmembers Reyes-Martin and Smith. Noes: None. Absent: Councilmember Kyriaco.

A.2 Acceptance of the August 2025 Investment Transaction Report

Accept the investment transaction report for the month of August 2025.

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MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Kasdin/Councilmember Reyes-Martin to accept the investment transaction report for the month of August 2025.

VOTE: Motion approved by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Mayor Perotte, Mayor Pro Tempore Kasdin, Councilmembers Reyes-Martin and Smith. Noes: None. Absent: Councilmember Kyriaco.

A.3 2026 Ad Hoc Legislative Issues Committee

A. Adopt Resolution No. 25- entitled, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Goleta, California, Establishing a 2026 Ad Hoc Legislative Issues Committee;" and

B. Approve the mayoral appointment of the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tempore to serve on the 2026 Ad Hoc Legislative Issues Committee.

2026 Ad Hoc Legislative Issues Committee

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Kasdin/Councilmember Reyes-Martín to A. Adopt Resolution No. 25-45 entitled, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Goleta, California, Establishing a 2026 Ad Hoc Legislative Issues Committee;" and B. Approve the mayoral appointment of the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tempore to serve on the 2026 Ad Hoc Legislative Issues Committee.

VOTE: Motion approved by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Mayor Perotte, Mayor Pro Tempore Kasdin, Councilmembers Reyes-Martín and Smith. Noes: None. Absent: Councilmember Kyriaco.

A.4 Amendments to Professional Services Agreements with Union Pacific Railroad for the San Jose Creek Multipurpose Path Project (CIP No. 9006) and with MNS Engineers, Inc. for the 2025 Arterial Pavement Project

A. Authorize the City Manager to execute a Supplemental Agreement to Agreement DOT 97500C, Pedestrian Bike Trail MP 359.679, Santa Barbara Subdivision Goleta, California - URR REMS Project 800420 with Union Pacific Railroad for engineering services for the San Jose Creek Multipurpose Path, increasing the agreement amount by \$71,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$115,000; and

B. Authorize the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 2025-046 with MNS Engineers, Inc. for Professional Services for the 2025 Arterial Pavement Project, increasing the agreement amount by \$295,052.50 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$944,732.50 with a termination date of June 30, 2026.

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REMS Project 800420 with Union Pacific Railroad for engineering services for the San Jose Creek Multipurpose Path, increasing the agreement amount by \$71,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$115,000; and B. Authorize the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 2025-046 with MNS Engineers, Inc. for Professional Services for the 2025 Arterial Pavement Project, increasing the agreement amount by \$295,052.50 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$944,732.50 with a termination date of June 30, 2026.

VOTE: Motion approved by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Mayor Perotte, Mayor Pro Tempore Kasdin, Councilmembers Reyes-Martín and Smith. Noes: None. Absent: Councilmember Kyriaco.

A.5 Authorization to Advertise Construction Bid for the Goleta Community Center Skylight Replacement Project

Authorize staff to advertise a notice inviting construction bids for the Goleta Community Center Skylight Replacement Project.

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MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Kasdin/Councilmember Reyes-Martín to authorize staff to advertise a notice inviting construction bids for the Goleta Community Center Skylight Replacement Project.

VOTE: Motion approved by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Mayor Perotte, Mayor Pro Tempore Kasdin, Councilmembers Reyes-Martín and Smith. Noes: None. Absent: Councilmember Kyriaco.

A.6 Authorization to Directly Negotiate Purchase of Replacement Parking Enforcement Vehicle

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to directly negotiate and award a purchase agreement with standard industry terms and approved as to form by the City Attorney, and to execute any and all required documents with the selected vendor to purchase a replacement parking enforcement vehicle and related equipment in an amount not to exceed \$35,000.

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and all required documents with the selected vendor to purchase a replacement parking enforcement vehicle and related equipment in an amount not to exceed \$35,000.

VOTE: Motion approved by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Mayor Perotte, Mayor Pro Tempore Kasdin, Councilmembers Reyes-Martín and Smith. Noes: None. Absent: Councilmember Kyriaco.

B. PRESENTATION

B.1 Goleta School of Ballet Business Recognition Award

Present a Business Recognition award certificate to the Goleta School of Ballet

Goleta School of Ballet Business Recognition Award

Staff Speakers:

Robert Nisbet, City Manager

Mayor Perotte presented the City of Goleta Business Recognition Award to Lisa Abshire, Director, Goleta School of Ballet.

C. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM

C.1 California Housing Laws Presentation

Receive a presentation from the City Attorney's Office on the landscape and recent changes to California housing laws.

California Housing Laws Presentation

Staff Speakers:

Ryan Stager, Deputy City Attorney, Best, Best & Krieger provided a presentation titled "California Housing Laws Presentation," dated October 21, 2025 (presentation on file).

Public Speakers:

April Reid posed questions and offered suggestions regarding housing laws in Goleta.

Mayor Pro Tempore Kasdin sought concurrence on the possibility of requesting that state legislators consider adjustments to the No Net Loss and/or the Housing Accountability Act, in order to provide the City of Goleta with greater flexibility to make modifications. Mayor Pro Tempore Kasdin suggested that the proposal might be more attractive to the Legislature if it allowed, for example, the reduction of one

unit in one location in exchange for adding additional units elsewhere. The City Attorney stated that an evaluation of the framework for such a proposal could be conducted. Councilmember Reyes-Martin gave concurrence.

Robert Nisbet, City Manager, noted Councilmember Kyriaco is absent due to attending a Cal Cities Conference.

RECESS 7:47 P.M. - 7:52 P.M.

C.2 Approve the Plans and Specifications, Award of Contracts, and Adopt Categorical Exemption for the Citywide Traffic Signal Upgrade Project

A. Approve the Plans and Specifications for the Citywide Traffic Signal Upgrade Project;

B. Award and authorize the City Manager to execute a Construction Contract with Alfaro Communications Construction, Inc. for the Citywide Traffic Signal Upgrade Project, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$2,607,919.86 subject to the requirements of the contract documents;

C. Authorize the Public Works Director to approve contract change orders for the Citywide Traffic Signal Upgrade Project in an amount not to exceed \$260,791.97;

D. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to apply for and enter into or amend any necessary utility and service agreements associated with the Citywide Traffic Signal Upgrade Project at any amount that is supported by the project budget;

E. Award and authorize the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Willdan Engineering, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$186,904.00 for Construction Management, Inspection, Public Outreach, and Material Testing services with a December 31, 2027, termination date; and

F. Adopt Resolution No. 25- , entitled "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Goleta, California, finding the Citywide Traffic Signal Upgrade Project Categorically Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301."

Approve the Plans and Specifications, Award of Contracts, and Adopt Categorical Exemption for the Citywide Traffic Signal Upgrade Project

Staff Speakers:

Nina Buelna, Public Works Director

Autumn Glaeser, Assistant Public Works Director provided a presentation titled "Citywide Traffic Signal Upgrade Project," dated October 21, 2025 (presentation on file).

Public Speakers:

Hannah Rietveld, Move Santa Barbara County, stated support for staff recommendation and made additional suggestions.

MOTION: Councilmember Smith/Mayor Pro Tempore Kasdin to A. Approve the Plans and Specifications for the Citywide Traffic Signal Upgrade Project; B. Award and authorize the City Manager to execute a Construction Contract with Alfaro Communications Construction, Inc. for the Citywide Traffic Signal Upgrade Project, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$2,607,919.86 subject to the requirements of the contract documents; C. Authorize the Public Works Director to approve the contract change orders for the Citywide Traffic Signal Upgrade Project in an amount not to exceed \$260,791.97; D. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to apply for and enter into or amend any necessary utility and service agreements associated with the Citywide Traffic Signal Upgrade Project at any amount that is supported by the project budget; E. Award and authorize the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Willdan Engineering, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$186,904.00 for Construction Management, Inspection, Public Outreach, and Material Testing services with a December 31, 2027, termination date; and F. Adopt Resolution No. 25-46, entitled "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Goleta, California, finding the Citywide Traffic Signal Upgrade Project Categorically Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301."

VOTE: Motion approved by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Mayor Perotte, Mayor Pro Tempore Kasdin, Councilmembers Reyes-Martín and Smith. Noes: None. Absent: Councilmember Kyriaco.

D. COUNCIL COMMENTS/ STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmember Smith reported attending the Cal Cities Conference from October 8–10, 2025, as well as the closing night of the Saloon Film Festival on October 17, 2025.

Councilmember Reyes-Martín reported attending the Human Services Standing Committee meeting on October 13, 2025, regarding the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application process and preparations for the City's grants process; the Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on October 14,

2025, where she spoke about priority projects and the Strategic Plan; and the Human Services Standing Committee Roundtable on October 16, 2025.

Mayor Pro Tempore Kasdin also spoke to the Human Services Standing Committee meeting, which he noted provided a focus on supporting residents in need.

E. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

None

ADJOURNED AT 8:14 P.M.

GOLETA CITY COUNCIL

PAULA PEROTTE,
MAYOR

ATTEST:

DEBORAH S. LOPEZ
CITY CLERK