



REGULAR MEETING OF THE MADERA CITY COUNCIL

205 W. 4th Street, Madera, California 93637

NOTICE AND AGENDA

Wednesday, February 18, 2026
6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers
City Hall

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CALL TO ORDER:

ROLL CALL: Mayor Cece Gallegos
Mayor Pro Tem Rohi Zacharia, District 1
Councilmember Jose Rodriguez, District 2
Councilmember Steve Montes, District 3
Councilmember Anita Evans, District 4
Councilmember Elsa Mejia, District 5
Councilmember Artemio Villegas, District 6

INVOCATION: Pastor Brandon Hopkins, Grace Community Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

PRESENTATIONS:

1. Proclamation Recognizing Black History Month
2. Proclamation Recognizing California Earned Income Tax Credit (CalEITC) Awareness Week

PUBLIC COMMENT:

The first 15 minutes of the meeting are reserved for members of the public to address the Council on items which are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Council. Speakers shall be limited to three minutes. Speakers will be asked, but are not required, to identify themselves and state the subject of their comments. If the subject is an item on the Agenda, the Mayor has the option of asking the speaker to hold the comment until that item is called. Comments on items listed as a Public Hearing on the Agenda should be held until the hearing is opened. The Council is prohibited by law from taking any action on matters discussed that are not on the agenda, and no adverse conclusions should be drawn if the Council does not respond to public comment at this time.

A. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

B. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, a member of the public or a member of the Council may request an item be removed from the Consent Calendar and it will be considered separately.

B-1 Minutes – February 4, 2026

Recommendation: Approve the City Council Minutes of February 4, 2026 (Report by Alicia Gonzales)

B-2 Adoption of updated City of Madera Full Time Salary Schedules

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution approving revised City of Madera Full Time Salary Schedules effective January 24, 2026 (Report by Wendy Silva)

B-3 Temporary overfill of Mechanic budgeted positions

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution approving a temporary overfill for the Mechanic classification due to specialized training requirements (Report by Wendy Silva)

B-4 Fee waivers for all 2026 City-run baseball programs

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution waiving the registration for City-run T-ball and Coach Pitch Leagues for 2026 (Report by Joseph Hebert)

B-5 Certificate of Recognition Honoring Linda Garner

Recommendation: Adopt a Minute Order approving a Certificate of Recognition honoring Linda Garner founder of Doors of Hope (Report by Alicia Gonzales)

B-6 American Cancer Society Waiver Request for Relay for Life 2026, Heart of California Event

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution to waive the rental fees of the Lions Town & Country Park starting on May 1, 2026, and ending on May 3, 2026, related to the Relay for Life 2026 event hosted by the American Cancer Society, at an anticipated rental fee of \$1,118.75 (Report by Joseph Hebert)

B-7 Madera County Behavioral Health Waiver Request for Underage Drinking Training

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution to waive the rental fees of the Frank Bergon Senior Center on February 20, 2026, related to an Underage Drinking Training from the California Highway Patrol, hosted by Madera County Behavioral Health Services, at an anticipated rental fee of \$252.50 (Report by Joseph Hebert)

B-8 Actions Relating to Sienna Estates Subdivision

Recommendation:

1. Adopt a Resolution:
 - a. Approving the Final Map for the Sienna Estates Phase 2 Subdivision (Tract No. 22-S-01); and
 - b. Approving Revised and Restated Improvement Agreement for the Sienna Estates Subdivision Phase 1 (Agreement) (Tract No. 05-S-19) and Phase 2 (Tract No. TSM 22-S-01); and
 - c. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans for roadway improvements along State Route 145; and
 - d. Authorizing staff to record the Phase 2 Final Map and Agreement; and
 - e. Accepting the Dedication of Land for Public Use; and
2. Adopt a Resolution Initiating Proceedings Pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 for the Annexation of Property into City of Madera Landscape Maintenance District Zone of Benefit 45A, to Review the Improvements and Assessments for Fiscal Year 2024/25, and Setting a Public Hearing (Report by Keith Helmuth)

B-9 Traffic Signal Installation at South and D Streets City Project No. TS-32, Federal Project CML 5157 (125)

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution approving the contract award for Traffic Signal Installation at South and D Streets City Project No. TS-32, Federal Project CML 5157 (125), for \$432,367 to St Francis Electric, LLC and adopting a CEQA Class 2 (Existing Facilities) categorical exemption for the project (Report by Keith Helmuth)

B-10 Traffic Signal Installation at Cleveland Avenue and Granada Drive City Project No. TS-24, Federal Project CML 5157 (124)

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution approving the contract award for Traffic Signal Installation at Cleveland Avenue and Granada Drive City Project No. TS-24, Federal Project CML 5157 (124), for \$344,617 to St Francis Electric, LLC and adopting a CEQA Class 1 (Existing Facilities) categorical exemption for the project (Report by Keith Helmuth)

B-11 Traffic Signal Modification at the Intersection of Howard Rd & Pine St, Howard Rd, & Yosemite Ave/Q St, City Project No. TS-23 Federal Project No. CML 5157(121)

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution approving the contract award for Traffic Signal Modification at the Intersection of Howard Rd & Pine St, Howard Rd, & Yosemite Ave/Q St, City Project No. TS-23 Federal Project No. CML 5157(121), for \$211,097.00 to St Francis Electric, LLC. and adopting a CEQA Class 1 (Existing Facilities) categorical exemption for the project (Report by Keith Helmuth)

B-12 Agreement with BSK Associates for Testing Services

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution approving the professional services agreement with BSK Associates for testing services not to exceed \$173,957 related to the water main replacement City Project No. W-43 Rebid (Report by Keith Helmuth)

B-13 Sidewalk Improvements at Various Locations, City Project No. R-94 Bid Package 3 Phase 2 AHSC Agreement No. 19-AHSC-12761

Recommendation: Adopt a Minute Order Approving:

1. Acceptance of the Sidewalk Improvements at Various Locations City Project No. R-94 Bid Package 3 Phase 2 AHSC Agreement No. 19-AHSC-12761; and
2. Recording of Notice of Completion; and
3. Release of retention 35 days after the recording of the Notice of Completion (Report by Keith Helmuth)

B-14 Olive Avenue Widening and Reconstruction – Gateway Drive to Knox Street Phase 2, Utility Undergrounding City Project No. R-000010

Recommendation: Adopt a Minute Order Approving:

1. Acceptance of the Olive Avenue Widening and Reconstruction – Gateway Drive to Knox Street, Phase 2 Utility Undergrounding, City Project No. R-000010; and
2. Recording of Notice of Completion; and
3. Release of retention 35 days after the recording of the Notice of Completion; and (Report by Keith Helmuth)

B-15 Temporary use of 103 East Yosemite Avenue (APN:007-101-011) for construction staging

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution approving the License to Enter Agreement with Rolfe Construction for temporary use of City-owned property associated with the Water Main Replacement Project, City Project No. W-43 Rebid (Report by Keith Helmuth)

B-16 Agreement with Backflow Solutions, Inc. (BSI)

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution approving an agreement with BSI for backflow prevention assembly notification and Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) management and control program data management services (Report by Harpiar Gandhi)

C. WORKSHOP:

C-1 Discussion and Direction regarding City Private Domestic Water Well Permitting Regulations and Policies

Recommendation: This report is submitted for Discussion and Direction regarding City Private Domestic Water Well Permitting Regulations and Policies (Report by Will Tackett)

D. PETITIONS, BIDS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, AND AGREEMENTS: None

E. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

E-1 Micro Transit Feasibility Study Update

Recommendation: This report is submitted for informational purposes and there is no action requested from the City Council (Report by Michael Lima)

E-2 Caltrans Highway Capital Preventive Maintenance (CAPM) Project 06-0Y180 on State Route 145 (Project) Update Relative to Business Owner Impacts

Recommendation: This report has been prepared at the direction of the City Council (Council), therefore there is no staff recommendation provided. Council is asked to consider the information and provide further direction at its discretion (Report by Keith Helmuth)

E-3 Informational report on the Madera Metro Transit System

Recommendation: This report is submitted for informational purposes and there is no action requested from the City Council (Report by Michael Lima)

E-4 4th of July Celebration

Recommendation: This report was prepared at the direction of the City Council (Council) for informational purposes. No staff recommendation or Council action is requested; however, Council may provide direction if desired (Report by Joseph Hebert)

E-5 Commercial Exterior Paint Color Palette

Recommendation: Receive report from staff, discuss regulations pertaining to the establishment of a citywide commercial exterior paint color palette, and provide staff with direction (Report by Will Tackett)

E-6 Administration of the Community Development Block Grant Revolving Loan Funds (CDBG-RLF) Program

Recommendation: This report is submitted for informational purposes and there is no action requested from the City Council (Report by Michael Lima)

E-7 Race Communications and Upcoming Installation of Internet and Telephone Services

Recommendation: Receive introduction and provide direction, if any, regarding information provided as part of this report to City Council (Report by Keith Helmuth)

E-8 Selecting Recipients for March Proclamation

Recommendation: Request for Council's Selection of Recipients for the Proclamation Recognizing Red Cross Month and Women's History Month (Report by Alicia Gonzales)

E-9 Employee work locations and office space needs

Recommendation: This report has been prepared at the direction of the City Council (Council), therefore there is no staff recommendation provided. Council is asked to consider the information and provide further direction at its discretion (Report by Wendy Silva)

E-10 Lions Town & Country Park Trail Improvement Project Update

Recommendation: This report has been prepared at the direction of the City Council (Council) for informational purposes; no staff recommendation or Council action is requested (Report by Joseph Hebert)

F. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

This portion of the meeting is reserved for the Mayor and Councilmembers (i) to make brief reports on boards, committees, and other public agencies, and at public events, (ii) to request updates, (iii) to initiate future agenda items, and (iv) to take action on matters initiated under this section of the agenda. Under this section, the Council may take action only on items specifically agendized and which meet other requirements for action.

G. CLOSED SESSION:

G-1 Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

Deciding whether to initiate litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)
One Case

G-2 Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Government Code, §54956.9(d)(1))

Name of Case: City of Madera v. Jesus Lopez
County of Madera Superior Court Case No. MCV086188

FUTURE MEETING DATES:

- Wednesday, March 4, 2026
- Wednesday, March 18, 2026


ADJOURNMENT:

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 - Questions regarding the meeting agenda or conduct of the meeting, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (559) 661-5405.
 - Para asistencia en español sobre este aviso, por favor llame al (559) 661-5405.
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I, Alicia Gonzales, City Clerk for the City of Madera, declare under penalty of perjury that I posted the above agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Madera City Council for February 18, 2026, near the front entrances of City Hall and on the City's website www.madera.gov at 9:00 p.m. on February 12, 2026.



Alicia Gonzales, City Clerk