

# County of Monterey

Government Center - Board Chambers  
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor  
Salinas, CA 93901



## Meeting Agenda - Final

### Budget Workshop

Tuesday, April 7, 2026

9:00 AM

**Closed Session 9:00 to 10:30 a.m.; Open Session Reconvenes at 10:30 a.m.**

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### **Board of Supervisors**

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*Supervisor Luis A. Alejo - District 1*

*Supervisor Glenn Church - District 2*

*Supervisor Chris Lopez - District 3*

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Ceremonial Resolutions key for P or NP at the end of the title:

P = Presented

NP = Not presented

**NOTE: All agenda titles related to numbered agenda items are live web links. Click on the title to be directed to the corresponding Board Report.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT: Members of the public may address comments to the Board concerning each agenda item. The timing of public comment shall be at the discretion of the Chair.**

### **9:00 A.M. - Call to Order**

#### **Roll Call**

#### **Additions and Corrections for Closed Session by County Counsel**

County Counsel will announce agenda corrections and proposed additions, which may be acted on by the Board as provided in Sections 54954.2 of the California Government Code.

#### **Closed Session**

1. Closed Session under Government Code section 54950, relating to the following items:
  - a. Pursuant to Government Code section 54957(b)(1), the Board will provide a performance evaluation for the County Administrative Officer.
  - b. Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1), the Board will confer with legal counsel regarding existing litigation:
    - (1) *Sinohui, Cecilia, et al. v. Monterey County, et al.* (Monterey county Superior Court Case No. 24CV000458)
  - c. Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(4), the Board will confer with legal counsel regarding two matters of potential initiation of litigation.

#### **Public Comments for Closed Session**

#### **The Board Recesses for Closed Session Agenda Items**

Closed Session may be held at the conclusion of the Board's Regular Agenda, or at any other time during the course of the meeting, before or after the scheduled time, announced by the Chairperson of the Board. The public may comment on Closed Session items prior to the Board's recess to Closed Session.

### **10:30 A.M. - Reconvene on Public Agenda Items**

#### **Roll Call**

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

#### **Additions and Corrections by Clerk**

The Clerk of the Board will announce agenda corrections and proposed additions, which may be acted on by the Board as provided in Sections 54954.2 of the California Government Code.

### **Ceremonial Resolutions**

2. Adopt a resolution designating April 2026 as Arts, Culture, & Creativity Month, and recognizing the Arts Council for Monterey County as the county's official local arts agency. (Supervisor Root Askew) (P)

**Attachments:** [Ceremonial Resolution - Arts, Culture, & Creativity Month and Designation](#)

3. Adopt a resolution honoring Kiwanis Club of Monterey on this occasion of its 100th Anniversary on April 8, 2026. (Supervisor Root Askew) (P)

**Attachments:** [Ceremonial Resolution - Kiwanis 100th Anniversary](#)

4. Adopt a resolution proclaiming the Week of April 19 - April 25, 2026 as National Crime Victims' Rights Week in the County of Monterey. (Supervisor Root Askew) (NP)

**Attachments:** [Ceremonial Resolution - National Crime Victim's Right Week](#)

5. Adopt a resolution recognizing Brian Church as the 2026 Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce Agricultural Leadership award recipient. (Supervisor Root Askew) (NP)

**Attachments:** [Ceremonial Resolution - Brian Church](#)

6. Adopt a resolution recognizing Salad Shoppe as the 2026 Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Small Business of the Year. (Supervisor Root Askew) (NP)

**Attachments:** [Ceremonial Resolution - Salad Shoppe](#)

7. Adopt a resolution recognizing the Food Bank for Monterey County as the recipient of the 2026 Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce Spirit of the Community Award. (Supervisor Root Askew) (NP)

**Attachments:** [Ceremonial Resolution - Food Bank for Monterey County](#)

8. Adopt a resolution recognizing Monica Tovar as the 2026 Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year. (Supervisor Root Askew) (NP)

**Attachments:** [Ceremonial Resolution - Monica Tovar](#)

9. Adopt a resolution recognizing Chris Morello as the 2026 Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce

Businesswoman of the Year. (Supervisor Root Askew) (NP)

**Attachments:** [Ceremonial Resolution - Chris Morello](#)

10. Adopt a resolution recognizing K&D Landscaping as the 2026 Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Large Business of the Year. (Supervisor Root Askew) (NP)

**Attachments:** [Ceremonial Resolution - K&D Landscaping](#)

11. Adopt a resolution recognizing Manny Escarcega as 2026 Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce Ambassador of the Year. (Supervisor Root Askew) (NP)

**Attachments:** [Ceremonial Resolution - Manny Escarcega](#)

12. Adopt a resolution honoring Big Sur Land Trust as the recipient of the Change Maker Award at the 30th Annual Monterey County Business Council Gala. (Supervisor Root Askew) (NP)

**Attachments:** [Ceremonial Resolution - Big Sur Land Trust](#)

13. Adopt a resolution honoring the City of Marina and Monterey Peninsula Engineering as the recipients of the Leadership in Infrastructure Award at the 30th Annual Monterey County Business Council Gala. (Supervisor Root Askew) (NP)

**Attachments:** [Ceremonial Resolution - City of Marina and Monterey Peninsula Engineering](#)

14. Adopt a resolution honoring Teddy Balestreri Jr., recipient of the Emerging Leader Award at the 30th Annual Monterey County Business Council Gala. (Supervisor Root Askew) (NP)

**Attachments:** [Ceremonial Resolution - Teddy Balestreri Jr.](#)

15. Adopt a resolution honoring Dan Baldwin recipient of the Community Impact Award at the 30th Annual Monterey County Business Council Gala. (Supervisor Root Askew) (NP)

**Attachments:** [Ceremonial Resolution - Dan Baldwin](#)

16. Adopt a resolution honoring Roxanne Wilson as the recipient of the Visionary Award at the 30th Annual Monterey County Business Council Gala. (Supervisor Root Askew) (NP)

**Attachments:** [Ceremonial Resolution - Roxanne Wilson](#)

17. Adopt a resolution honoring Dr. Steven Packer as the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award at the 30th Annual Monterey County Business Council Gala. (Supervisor Root Askew) (NP)

**Attachments:** [Ceremonial Resolution - Dr. Steven Packer](#)

18. Adopt a resolution honoring the City of Salinas and Bruce Taylor as the recipients of the Economic Development Award at the 30th Annual Monterey County Business Council Gala. (Supervisor Root Askew) (NP)

**Attachments:** [Ceremonial Resolution - City of Salinas and Bruce Taylor](#)

### **Appointments**

19. Reappoint David Kong to the Greenfield Cemetery District with term ending on December 31, 2030. (District Specific - District 3, Supervisor Lopez)

**Attachments:** [Notification to Clerk of Appt - David Kong](#)  
[Letter of Interest - David Kong](#)  
[Resume - David Kong](#)

20. Reappoint Martha Diehl to the Planning Commission representing District 5 as a Primary Representative with a term end date of January 23, 2030. (District Specific - District 5, Supervisor Daniels)

**Attachments:** [Notification to Clerk of Appt - Martha Diehl](#)  
[Application - Martha Diehl](#)

### **Boards, Commissions and Committees Terms/Vacancies**

Volunteer Here for a Board, Commission and or Committee

**Attachments:** [Link to Boards, Commissions and Committees Terms/Vacancies](#)

### **General Public Comments**

21. General Public Comments

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Board on any matter not on this agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors. Board members may respond briefly to the statement made or questions posed. They may ask a question for clarification; make a referral to staff for factual information or request staff to report back to the Board at a future meeting.

### **Scheduled Matters**

22. Receive update and authorize Chair of the Board to sign letters of support for CSAC proposal for State funding request to mitigate impacts of HR1

- Attachments:**     [Board Report](#)  
                          [Attachment A - CSAC Policy Brief](#)  
                          [Attachment B - CSAC County H.R. 1 Budget Request Draft Letter](#)

**Budget Workshop**

- 23. Board Chair Opening Statement.
- 24. County Administrative Officer Opening Statement.
- 25. a. Receive an update on budget development as part of the Board of Supervisors’ Fiscal Year 2026-27 Budget Workshop; and  
      b. Provide direction to staff.

- Attachments:**     [Board Report](#)  
                          [FY 2025-26 to FY 2028-29 Financial Forecast](#)

**12:00 P.M. - Recess to Lunch**

**1:00 P.M. - Reconvene**

**Roll Call**

**DEPARTMENT BUDGET PRESENTATIONS a. - k.**

- 26. **Finance and Administration**
  - a. Assessor, County Clerk-Recorder
  - b. Auditor-Controller

- Health and Human Services**
  - c. Health Department
  - d. Department of Social Services

- Land Use and Environment**
  - e. Public Works, Facilities, and Parks

- Recreation and Education Services**
  - f. Cooperative Extension (verbal presentation)

- Public Safety/Criminal Justice**
  - g. Department of Emergency Management
  - h. District Attorney
  - i. Probation Department
  - j. Public Defender
  - k. Sheriff’s Office

- Attachments:**     [Assessor, County Clerk-Recorder Presentation](#)  
[Auditor-Controller Presentation](#)  
[Health Department Presentation](#)  
[Department of Social Services Presentation](#)  
[Public Works, Facilities & Parks Presentation](#)  
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**Public Comments**

**Board Discussion and Direction**

**Read Out from Closed Session by County Counsel**

Read out by County Counsel will only occur if there is reportable action(s).

**Adjournment**

**Upcoming Board of Supervisors Meetings for 2026**

2026 Board of Supervisors Meeting Schedule

- Attachments:**     [2026 Meeting Dates](#)