

County of Monterey

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, March 25, 2025

9:00 AM

Budget Workshop

Board of Supervisors

*Chair Supervisor Chris Lopez - District 3
Vice Chair Supervisor Wendy Root Askew - District 4
Supervisor Kate Daniels- District 5
Supervisor Luis A. Alejo - District 1
Supervisor Glenn Church - District 2*

9:00 A.M. - Called to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Supervisor Chris Lopez.

Roll Called

Present: 5 - Supervisor Glenn Church, Supervisor Luis A. Alejo, Supervisor Wendy Root Askew, Supervisor Chris Lopez and Supervisor Kate Daniels present

Staff Present

Sonia De La Rosa, County Administrative Officer, Susan Blitch, County Counsel and Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board were present.

Additions and Corrections for Closed Session by County Counsel

There were no additions and corrections for closed session.

Closed Session

1. Closed Session under Government Code section 54950, relating to the following items:
 - a. Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8, the Board will confer with real property negotiators:
 - (1) Property: Manzanita ParkAgency Negotiator(s): Brian Flores, Chief of Parks
Negotiating Parties: North Youth Recreation Association
Under negotiation: Terms
 - b. Pursuant to Government Code section 54957.6, the Board will provide direction to negotiators:
 - (1) Designated representatives: Andreas Pyper, Kim Moore and Ariana HurtadoEmployee Organization(s): All Units
 - c. Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1), the Board will confer with legal counsel regarding existing litigation:
 - (1) Insook Yang Gay (Workers' Compensation Appeals Board No. ADJ10459646)
 - (2) Insook Yang Gay (Workers' Compensation Appeals Board No. ADJ8509453)
 - (3) Insook Yang Gay (Workers' Compensation Appeals Board No. ADJ17995111)
 - (4) Insook Yang Gay (Workers' Compensation Appeals Board No. ADJ6952107)
 - (5) Insook Yang Gay (Workers' Compensation Appeals Board No. ADJ8625571)
 - (6) Insook Yang Gay (Workers' Compensation Appeals Board No. ADJ16577363)
 - d. Pursuant to Government Code section 54957(b)(1), the Board will provide a performance evaluation for the County Administrative Officer.
 - e. Pursuant to Government Code sections 54956.9(d)(2) and 54956.9(d)(4), the Board will confer

with legal counsel regarding one matter of significant exposure to litigation and/or potential initiation of litigation.

Public Comments for Closed Session

Open for public comments; no comments made.

The Board Recessed for Closed Session Agenda Items

10:30 A.M. - Reconvened on Public Agenda Items

Roll Called

Present: 5 - Supervisor Glenn Church, Supervisor Luis A. Alejo, Supervisor Wendy Root Askew, Supervisor Chris Lopez and Supervisor Kate Daniels present

Staff Present

Sonia De La Rosa, County Administrative Officer, Susan Blitch, County Counsel and Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board were present.

Announcement of Interpreter

Diego Celis, Spanish Interpreter present and announced Spanish interpreter services.

Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of allegiance was led by Councilmember Fernando Ansaldo-Sánchez.

Additions and Corrections by Clerk

There were no additions and corrections today's agenda.

Ceremonial Resolutions

Open for public comments; no comments made.

A motion was made by Supervisor Luis A. Alejo, seconded by Supervisor Wendy Root Askew to adopt Ceremonial Resolution Numbers 2 through 7.

ALL AYES

2. Adopt a resolution proclaiming March 2025 as American Red Cross Month. (Supervisor Alejo)

Adopted Resolution No. 25-082

3. Adopt a resolution commemorating March 31st as Transgender Day of Visibility. (Supervisor Askew)

Adopted Resolution No. 25-083

4. Adopt a resolution recognizing Debby Tanaka Norman as the recipient of the King City Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture's 2024 Citizen of the Year Award. (Supervisor Lopez)
Adopted Resolution No. 25-084
5. Adopt a resolution recognizing King City Town Square LLC as the recipient of the King City Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture's 2024 Business of the Year Award. (Supervisor Lopez)
Adopted Resolution No. 25-085
6. Adopt a resolution recognizing Rodolfo Tapia as the recipient of the King City Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture's 2024 Friend of the Community Award. (Supervisor Lopez)
Adopted Resolution No. 25-086
7. Adopt a resolution recognizing Dalilha Reyes as the recipient of the King City Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture's 2024 Hermie Robles Youth Award. (Supervisor Lopez)
Adopted Resolution No. 25-087

Appointments

8. Nominate one (1) or more County Supervisor **AND** one (1) or more Mayor or City Council Member for consideration of appointment to the California Coastal Commission by the Speaker of the Assembly.

Karina Bokanovich, Management Analyst III from the County Administrative office presented via PowerPoint presentation.

Open for public comments; Kim Solano, Margie Kay, Adam Pinterits, Bryan Rosen, Larna Moffet and Molly Erickson commented.

A motion was made by Supervisor Luis A. Alejo, seconded by Supervisor Chris Lopez to:

- a. Nominate Chris Lopez as the County Supervisor for consideration of appointment to the California Coastal Commission by the Speaker of the Assembly, pursuant to Section 30301.2 of the California Public Resources Code;**
- b. Nominate Tyler Williamson as the Mayor and Justin Cummings, as the City Council Member for consideration of appointment to the California Coastal Commission by the Speaker of the Assembly; and,**
- c. Directed the Clerk of the Board to submit the list of nominations to the Office of the Speaker of the Assembly.**

ALL AYES

Budget Workshop

9. Board Chair Opening Statement.

Chair Supervisor Chris Lopez made opening statements.

10. County Administrative Officer Opening Statement.

Sonia De La Rosa, County Administrator Officer made opening statements.

- 11. a. Receive an update on budget development as part of the Board of Supervisors' Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget Workshop; and**
i. Capital Improvement Projects Presentation by Public Works, Facilities and Parks (ADDED VIA ADDENDA)
b. Provide direction to staff.

Deborah Paolinell, Assistant County Administrative Officer from the County Administrative Office presented via PowerPoint on the Budget Workshop.

John Snively, Administrative Operations Manager from Public Works, Facilities and Parks presented via PowerPoint presentation on the Capital Improvement Projects.

Upon consensus the Board:

- a. Received an update on budget development as part of the Board of Supervisors' Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget Workshop; and**
b. Provided direction to staff.

DEPARTMENT BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

12. Health & Human Services

- a. Social Services**
b. Health Department

a. Social Services:

Roderick Franks Director of Social Services and Becky Cromer Finance Manager III presented via PowerPoint presentation.

Jack Murphy, Military and Veterans Officer verbally presented.

Open for Board questions.

- b. Health Department: Trained to 1:00 p.m.**

12:36 P.M. - Recessed to Lunch

1:00 P.M. - Reconvened

DEPARTMENT BUDGET PRESENTATIONS (continued)

Roll Called

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Staff Present

Sonia De La Rosa, County Administrative Officer, Susan Blitch, County Counsel and Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board were present.

Announcement of Interpreter

Diego Celis, Spanish Interpreter present, however, was not called upon to make the announcement of Spanish interpreter services.

b. Health Department: Trilled from the morning to 1:00 p.m.

Elsa Jimenez, Director of Health presented via PowerPoint presentation.

Open for Board questions.

13. Finance & Administration

- c. Assessor, County Clerk-Recorder
- d. Civil Rights Office
- e. Clerk of the Board
- f. County Counsel
- g. Human Resources
- h. Information Technology

c. Assessor, County Clerk-Recorder

Marina Camacho, Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder presented via PowerPoint presentation.

Open for Board questions.

d. Civil Rights Office

Juan P. Rodriguez, Civil Rights Officer presented via PowerPoint presentation.

Open for Board questions.

e. Clerk of the Board

Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors presented via PowerPoint presentation.

Open for Board questions.

f. County Counsel

Susan Blitch, County Counsel and Sandra Ontiveros, Administrative Operations Manager presented via PowerPoint presentation.

Open for Board questions.

g. Human Resources

Ariana Hurtado Assistant Director of Human Resources and Kim Moore Assistant Director of Human Resources presented via PowerPoint presentation.

Open for Board questions.

h. Information Technology

Eric Chatham, Director of Information Technology presented via PowerPoint presentation.

Open for Board questions.

14. Land Use & Environment

i. Public Works, Facilities, and Parks

i.i. Housing and Community Development (ADDED VIA ADDENDA)

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Randy Ishii, Director of Public Works and Facilities presented via PowerPoint presentation.

Open for Board questions.

i.i. Housing and Community Development

Craig Spencer, Director of Housing and Community Development presented PowerPoint presentation

Open for Board questions.

15. Public Safety/Criminal Justice

j. Department of Emergency Management

k. District Attorney

l. Emergency Communications

m. Public Defender

n. Sheriff's Office

j. Department of Emergency Management

Kelsey Scanlon, Director of Emergency Management presented via PowerPoint presentation.

Open for Board questions.

k. District Attorney

Jeannine Pacioni, District Attorney presented via PowerPoint presentation.

Open for Board questions.

l. Emergency Communications

Lee Ann Magoski, Director of Emergency Communications presented via PowerPoint

presentation.

Open for Board questions.

m. Public Defender

Tom O'Keefe, Assistant Public Defender presented via PowerPoint presentation.

Open for Board questions.

n. Sheriff's Office

Tina Nieto, Sheriff and Keith Boyd, Undersheriff

Open for Board questions.

Public Comments

Open for public comments; Steve Sommers, Paul Farmer, Nina Beety, Bina Patel, Nathan Merkle, Rick Aldinger, Elise Shim, Randy Ishii, Brian Flores, Kevin Ellis, Salinas Soccer - Jonathan DeAnda, Alyssa Rendon, Jeannine Pachioni and Tina Nieto commented.

Board Discussion and Direction

Board discussion and direction given.

General Public Comments

16. General Public Comments

Open for general public comments for items not on today's agenda; no comments made.

Read Out from Closed Session by County Counsel

There was no reportable action.

Adjourned

The meeting was adjourned In Memory of Deputy Ryan Kenedy at 6:37 p.m. by Chair Supervisor Chris Lopez.

APPROVED:

____/s/ Chris Lopez_____
CHRIS LOPEZ, CHAIR

ATTEST:

BY: ____/s/ Valerie Ralph_____

VALERIE RALPH

CLERK OF THE BOARD

APPROVED ON: April 15, 2025