SONOMA COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING MINUTES - DRAFT

575 ADMINISTRATION
DRIVE, ROOM 102A
SANTA ROSA, CA 95403

Rebecca Hermosillo, First District
David Rabbitt, Second District
Chris Coursey, Third District
James Gore, Fourth District
Lynda Hopkins, Fifth District

M. Christina Rivera, County Executive
Joshua Myers, County Counsel

Tuesday, March 3, 2026 **9:00 AM** **Virtual/Board of Supervisors Chambers**
575 Administration Drive 102A

9:00 A.M. CALL TO ORDER

9:19 A.M. The Board Meeting was called to order.

I. ROLL CALL / BOARD MEMBER TELECONFERENCE DISCLOSURE OR VOTE, IF APPLICABLE

9:20 A.M.

Present: Rebecca Hermosillo, Chris Coursey, and Lynda Hopkins

Absent: David Rabbitt, and James Gore

Staff Present: M. Christina Rivera, County Executive Officer and Robert Pittman, County Counsel

II. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

9:20 A.M. Public Comment on Closed Session Opened

Speakers:

None

9:21 A.M. Public Comment on Closed Session Closed

9:21 A.M. The Board Moved to Closed Session

III. CLOSED SESSION CALENDAR

1. The Board of Supervisors will consider the following in closed session: Public Employee Performance Evaluation - County Executive (Government Code Section §54957(b)(1)). **2026-0073**

   The Board provided further direction to Staff and did not take any reportable action.

2. The Board of Supervisors will consider the following in closed session: Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - Melanie Martin vs County of Sonoma Workers' Compensation Appeals Board Nos. ADJ200290042, ADJ13371419 (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).) **2026-0124**

   By a vote of 3 to 2, approval was given for the settlement of Melaine Martin's worker's compensation claims by way of Compromise and Release for $150,000.00, less permanent disability advances.

3. The Board of Supervisors will consider the following in closed session: Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - Jason Pasero vs. County of Sonoma Workers' Compensation Appeals Board Nos. ADJ14397970, ADJ12709633, ADJ17740379, ADJ17739937, ADJ19528268, ADJ20075648 (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).) **2026-0200**

By a vote of 3 to 2, approval was given for the settlement of Jason Pasero's worker's compensation claims by way of Compromise and Release for $335,000.00, less permanent disability advances.

4. The Board of Supervisors will consider the following in closed session: Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - *Emily Dickey vs. County of Sonoma* Workers' Compensation Appeals Board No.ADJ17029214 (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).) **2026-0201**

By a vote of 3 to 2, approval was given for the settlement of Emily Dickey's worker's compensation claims by way of Compromise and Release for $185,000.00, less permanent disability advances.

ITEMS #5 & #6 CONTINUED TO MARCH 10, 2026 BY ADDENDUM

5. The Board of Supervisors will consider the following in closed session: Conference with Legal Counsel - Sheriff - Existing Litigation - Independent Office of Law Enforcement Review and Outreach v. Sonoma County Sheriff's Office, et al.; Sonoma County Superior Court, Case No. 24CV04208; California Court of Appeal, First Appellate District, Case No. A171763. (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).) **2026-0226**

This Closed Session Calendar Item was Continued to March 10, 2026, and was not considered by the Board of Supervisors at today's meeting.

6. The Board of Supervisors will consider the following in closed session: Conference with Legal Counsel - IOLERO - Existing Litigation - Independent Office of Law Enforcement Review and Outreach v. Sonoma County Sheriff's Office, et al.; Sonoma County Superior Court, Case No. 24CV04208; California Court of Appeal, First Appellate District, Case No. A171763. (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).) **2026-0248**

This Closed Session Calendar Item was Continued to March 10, 2026, and was not considered by the Board of Supervisors at today's meeting.

7. The Board of Supervisors will consider the following in closed session: Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation -Timothy Rountree vs. County of Sonoma; Workers' Compensation Appeals Board Nos. ADJ16591371 (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).) **2026-0251**

By a vote of 3 to 2, approval was given for the settlement of Timothy Rountree's workers' compensation claims by way of Stipulations with Request for Award for $104,183.00, less permanent disability advances.

ITEM #7A ADDED BY ADDENDUM

7A. The Board of Supervisors will consider the following in closed session: Conference with Legal Counsel - Potential Initiation of Litigation Government Code section 54956.9(d)(4): one case. **2026-0284**

The Board provided further direction to Staff and did not take any reportable action.

IV. 10:00 A.M. RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION

10:06 A.M. The Board Reconvened from Closed Session

Supervisor Gore notified the County Executive the morning of the meeting the need to utilize AB 2449 Just Cause.

Present: Rebecca Hermosillo, Chris Coursey, James Gore, and Lynda Hopkins

Absent: David Rabbitt

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

V. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

(Items may be added or withdrawn from the agenda consistent with State law)

10:09 A.M.

Item 5 Continued to March 10, 2026 Board Meeting by Addendum
Item 6 Continued to March 10, 2026 Board Meeting by Addendum
Item 7A Added to Closed Session by Addendum
Item 10A Added to Consent Calendar by Addendum

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

VI. 10:00 A.M. CONSENT CALENDAR

8. Amend the Department of Agriculture/Weights & Measures Department Allocation List **2026-0138**

Adopt a Resolution amending the Department Allocation List of the Department of Agriculture/Weights & Measures, effective February 17, 2026.

Department or Agency Name(s): Agricultural Commissioner

Attachments: Summary Report.pdf
Resolution

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended by Resolution 26-0042.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

9. Request for Original Jurisdiction over UPE23-0046 Two Rock Fire Department Use Permit **2026-0161**

Approve the request to exercise original jurisdiction over the Use Permit UPE23-0046 Two Rock Fire Department located at 7599 & 7600 Valley Ford Rd, Petaluma, CA 94952; APN 022-140-017. (Second District)

Department or Agency Name(s): Board of Supervisors

Attachments: Summary Report
Att 1 UPE23-0046 Request for Original Jurisdiction

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

10. Community Development Commission Staffing Allocations **2026-0045**

Adopt a Personnel Resolution amending the Sonoma County Community Development Commission's Department Allocation List, effective July 1, 2026, to convert one (1.0) Time-Limited Senior Office Assistant to a regular full-time position; extend one (1.0) full-time, time-limited Occupancy Specialist II position through June 30, 2027, and extend one (1.0) full-time, time-limited Community Development Program Coordinator position through June 30, 2027.

Department or Agency Name(s): Community Development Commission

Attachments: Summary Report
Resolution

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended by Resolution 26-0043.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

ITEM #10A ADDED BY ADDENDUM

10A. Legal Services Agreements for Sonoma County Community Development Commission Affordable Housing Loan Transactions Counsel **2026-0106**

A) Authorize and Direct County Counsel and Sonoma County Community Development Commission to execute two legal services agreements for representation of the Sonoma County Community Development Commission with affordable housing loan transactions, each for a term of 3 years with a not-to-exceed per firm amount of $900,000 with the following law firms: (1) Goldfarb Lipman, and (2) Burke Williams & Sorensen LLP.

B) Adopt a Resolution authorizing budgetary adjustments to the Sonoma County Community Development Commission Year 2025-2026 adoption budget, increasing appropriations in the amount of $239,307 to reflect additional revenue and expenditures.

Department or Agency Name(s): County Counsel

Attachments: Summary Report.pdf
FY25-26 CDC Budget Adjustment Resolution.pdf
Goldfarb Lipman LSA 2026.pdf
Burke Williams Sorensen LSA 2026.pdf

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended by Resolution 26-0044.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

11. FY 25-26 Tourism Impact Fund Grant Awards **2026-0139**

A) Authorize the County Executive, or designee, to execute an agreement with the following grantees: North Bay Organizing Project, $20,000; Centro Laboral de Graton, $60,000; Los Cien Sonoma County Inc., $25,000; Secure Families Collaborative, $10,000; and Museum of Sonoma County, $5,000.

B) Authorize the allocation of $70,000 of District Priorities Funds from the First District to the Highway 116 Roundabout Art Project.

C) Authorize the County Executive, or designee, to amend these agreements to lengthen the time schedules and make minor modifications to the allowed uses that do not increase the amount awarded under the agreements. (First and Third)

Department or Agency Name(s): County Administrator

Attachments: Revised Summary Report.pdf
Summary.pdf
Sample Tourism Impact Fund Grant Agreement

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

12. USDA Grant-Funded Department Analyst - Project **2026-0167**

A) Adopt a Budget Resolution adjusting the County Executive's Office FY 2025-26 budget by $1,462,291 which represents the revised grant project work for the remainder of this fiscal year. (4/5th vote)
B) Adopt a Personnel Resolution amending the Department Allocation List of the County Executive's Office.

Department or Agency Name(s): County Administrator

Attachments: Summary Report
Attach A - Personnel Resolution
Attach B - Budget Resolution

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended by Resolutions 26-0045 and 26-0046.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

13. Quarterly Ad Hoc Update - Fourth Quarter 2025 **2025-1358**

Receive fourth quarter 2025 update on Board Ad Hoc committees' activities.

Department or Agency Name(s): County Administrator

Attachments: Summary Report
Attachment A - Fourth Quarter 2025 Ad Hoc Reports

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

14. Grant of State funds for Alexander Valley Healthcare Center Project **2026-0169**

A) Authorize the County Executive, or designee, to accept $3,500,000 in pass-through funding allocated under the State of California 2025 Budget Act, for the Alexander Valley Healthcare Center project.
B) Authorize the County Executive, or designee, to execute an agreement, in a form approved by County Counsel, to transfer funds to Alexander Valley Healthcare as required by said State grant.
C) Adopt a Resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2025-26 budget by $3,500,000 in expenditures and revenues to facilitate the pass-through of funds.
(4/5th vote required)

Department or Agency Name(s): County Administrator

Attachments: Summary Report
Attachment 1 - Budget Resolution
Attachment 2 - Funding Agreement with Alexander Valley Healthcare

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended by Resolution 26-0047.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

15. American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Internet Subsidy Program - Site Expansion **2026-0165**

Approve expanded list of affordable housing sites to be included in the County's Internet Subsidy Program, funded by American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds previously allocated by the Board.

Department or Agency Name(s): Economic Development Collaborative

Attachments: Summary Report
Affordable Housing Sites (Original List)

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

16. Extension and Continuation of Proclamation of Local Emergency Due to November 2024 Atmospheric River Storm Event **2026-0160**

Review and make findings continuing the need for the proclamation of a local emergency in the Sonoma County Operational area due to the November 2024 Atmospheric River Storm Event.

Department or Agency Name(s): Emergency Management

Attachments: Summary Report

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

17. Extension and Continuation of Proclamation of Local Emergency Due to February 2025 Atmospheric River Storm Event **2026-0162**

Review and approve the continuation of the proclamation of a local emergency in the Sonoma County Operational area due to the February 2025 Atmospheric River Storm Event.

Department or Agency Name(s): Emergency Management

Attachments: Summary Report

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

18. 2026 Sonoma County Wildfire and Earthquake Expo Funding **2026-0170**

A) Approve allocation of $30,000 from the General Fund Contingencies for space rental at the Sonoma County Fairgrounds for the 2026 Wildfire and Earthquake Safety Expo.
B) Accept a donation of $75,000 from the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria to purchase emergency preparedness Go Bags and related supplies for the 2026 Wildfire and Earthquake Expo.
C) Adopt a Budget Resolution adjusting the Department of Emergency Management FY 2025-26 adopted budget by $105,000 for 2026 Wildfire and Earthquake Safety Expo funding.

(4/5 vote required)

Department or Agency Name(s): Emergency Management

Attachments: Summary Report
Budget Resolution_Att1
Equity Analysis_Att2

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended by Resolution 26-0048.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

19. Miscellaneous Classification, Compensation, and Allocation Changes **2026-0031**

A) Adopt a Resolution amending the Department Allocation Lists for the Department of Health Services and Permit Sonoma, effective February 17, 2026.

B) Receive a copy of Human Resources' Recruitment and Classification Unit and Civil Service Commission Workload Summary Update - Fiscal Year 2024/2025 in accordance with Civil Service Rule 2.3 (I).

Department or Agency Name(s): Human Resources

Attachments: Summary Report
Attachment 1- Resolution
Attachment 2 - HR / Civil Service Commission Summary Update - Fiscal Year 2024/2025

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended by Resolution 26-0049.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

20. Human Services Department Position Change Request **2026-0006**

Adopt a Position Resolution amending the department allocation list of the Human Services Department to delete 2.0 Full-Time Equivalent Home Care Support Assistant allocations and add 2.0 Full-Time Equivalent Social Work Assistant allocations to In-Home Supportive Services Public Authority, effective March 3, 2026.

Department or Agency Name(s): Human Services

Attachments: Summary Report
Attachment: Positions Resolution

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended by Resolution 26-0050.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

21. Permit Sonoma File No. LLA25-0015 Kosta Browne Lot Line Adjustment, 4151 and 4175 Slusser Road, Windsor **2026-0111**

Adopt a Resolution approving a Lot Line Adjustment between two lots subject to Conditions of Approval and a Land Conservation Act Contract at 4151 and 4175 Slusser Road, Windsor; APNs 057-070-021 and 057-070-025. (Fourth District)

Department or Agency Name(s): Permit and Resource Management

Attachments: Summary Report.pdf
Attachment 1: Draft Board of Supervisors Resolution
Attachment 2: Conditions of Approval
Attachment 3: Proposal Statement prepared by the applicant
Attachment 4: Assessor's Parcel Map
Attachment 5: Lot Line Adjustment Site Plan

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended by Resolution 26-0051.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

22. Budget Adjustments for Acceptance of Justice Assistance Equipment and Training Program Grant **2026-0019**

Adopt a Budgetary Resolution approving budget adjustments to the Public Defender, District Attorney, Probation, and Sheriff's Office FY 25-26 approved budgets to implement the Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) for the Equipment and Training Program grant in the amount of $374,029.

Department or Agency Name(s): Public Defender

Attachments: Summary Report
Budget Resolution
2025 JAG RFA Contract - Sonoma County - signed
Grant Budget

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended by Resolution 26-0052.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

23. Reroof, HVAC and Fire Alarm 16390 Main Street, Guerneville (Former Bank of America Building) **2026-0068**

A) Award the construction contract to C.W.S. Construction Group, Inc., in the amount of $815,000, for the Reroof, HVAC and a Fire Alarm System project (21CP40041AB) at the former Bank of America building in Guerneville.
B) Authorize contingency up to 10% of the project cost, in the amount of $81,500.
C) Authorize the Director of Public infrastructure to execute said construction contract and any other related, required documents, in form approved by County Counsel.
D) Adopt and approve plans and specifications for the subject project.

Department or Agency Name(s): Public Infrastructure

Attachments: Summary Report.pdf
1 - Agreement Form.pdf
2 - Plans and Specifications.pdf
3 - Bid Book.pdf
4 - Bid Tabulation.pdf

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

24. Cloverdale Veterans Memorial Building Generator **2026-0112**

A) Award the construction contract to Adams Commercial General Contracting, Inc., in the amount of $335,718, for the Cloverdale Veterans Memorial Building Generator project (CP40023AL).
B) Authorize contingency up to 10% of the project cost, in the amount of $33,572.
C) Authorize the Director of Public infrastructure to execute said construction contract and any other related, required documents, in form approved by County Counsel.
D) Adopt and approve plans and specifications for the subject project.

Department or Agency Name(s): Public Infrastructure

Attachments: Summary Report.pdf
1 - Agreement Form.pdf
2 - Plans and Specifications.pdf
3 - Bid Book.pdf
4 - Technical Specifications.pdf

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

25. Tolay Lake Regional Park Gathering Area Phase 2 Shade Structure - Bid Award **2026-0163**

A) Approve Plans and Specifications for the Tolay Lake Regional Park Gathering Area Phase 2 - Shade Structure Project.
B) Award the construction contract to FRC, Inc. in the amount of $986,206 for a contract term of one hundred forty working days after the issuance of the Notice to Proceed and authorize the Director of Sonoma County Regional Parks or their designee to execute the contract.
C) Authorize the Director of Regional Parks to execute change orders to the construction contract that do not exceed 10% of the total project cost. If this contingency is exercised, total contract amount would be up to $1,084,826.
D) Adopt a Resolution authorizing a budget adjustment to increase the FY 2025-2026 Tolay Gathering Area Capital Project budget by $530,013. Additional funding is requested from Intergovernmental Mitigation Agreement funding ($503,513), Area 5 Park Mitigation Fees ($14,000), and Helen Putnam Kelly Creek Trail capital project ($12,500) (4/5th Vote Required.)

Department or Agency Name(s): Regional Parks

Attachments: Summary Report
Budget Resolution
Contract
Bid Tabulation
Construction Plans
Project Manual

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended by Resolution 26-0053.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

26. Call a Special Election on the "SMART Initiative: Safe, Modern, and Accessible Rail and Transit" to be Held on June 2, 2026 **2025-1351**

Adopt a Resolution calling a special election on the "SMART Initiative: Safe, Modern, and Accessible Rail and Transit" ("SMART Initiative") to be held on June 2, 2026, and to consolidate the election with the Statewide Direct Primary Election and any other special election that is called for the same date.

Department or Agency Name(s): Registrar Of Voters

Attachments: Summary Report
Resolution
SMART Resolution No 2026-01
REVISED SMART Resolution No 2026-01.pdf

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended by Resolution 26-0054.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

27. Wilfred Booster Station Upgrade Mechanical Design **2026-0092**

Authorize Sonoma County Water Agency's General Manager to execute the Second Amended and Restated Agreement for Mechanical Engineering and Design Services for Wilfred Booster Station Project with Lee & Ro, Inc., in substantially the form as the draft presented to this Board. The amended agreement increases the amount by $327,277, expands the scope of work to include additional engineering services during construction, and extends the agreement term by two years for a new not-to-exceed agreement total of $636,108 and end date of June 30, 2029.

Department or Agency Name(s): Sonoma County Water Agency

Attachments: Summary Report
Attachment 1 - Second Amended Agreement with Lee & Ro, Inc.
Attachment 2 - Competitive Selection Process Memo.docx_kh
Attchment 3 - List of Qualified Consultants

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

28. Receive Report and Make Findings to Continue Emergency Work to Stabilize Dangerous Conditions Resulting from a Pipeline Break within the Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District's Reclamation System. **2026-0120**

Receive Report and Make Findings to Continue Emergency Work to Stabilize Dangerous Conditions Resulting from a Pipeline Break within the Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District's Reclamation System (First District) (4/5th Vote Required)

Department or Agency Name(s): Sonoma County Water Agency

Attachments: Summary Report

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

29. 2026-2027 State and Federal Legislative Affairs **2026-0128**

State Advocacy

A) Approve Sonoma County Water Agency's 2026-2027 State Legislative Platform.

B) Authorize Sonoma County Water Agency's General Manager acting on behalf of Sonoma County Water Agency, Occidental County Sanitation District, Russian River County Sanitation District, Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District, and South Park County Sanitation District to execute an agreement with Pacific Policy Group, LLC, in substantially the form presented to this Board, for state legislative affairs outreach through December 31, 2027, in the not-to-exceed amount of $274,000.

Federal Advocacy

C) Approve Sonoma County Water Agency's 2026-2027 Federal Legislative Platform.

D) Authorize Sonoma County Water Agency's General Manager acting on behalf of Sonoma County Water Agency, Occidental County Sanitation District, Russian River County Sanitation District, Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District, and South Park County Sanitation District to execute an agreement with Thorn Run Partners, LLC, in substantially the form presented to this Board, for federal legislative affairs outreach through December 31, 2027, in the not-to-exceed amount of $298,000.

E) Authorize Sonoma County Water Agency's General Manager acting on behalf of Sonoma County Water Agency, Occidental County Sanitation District, Russian River County Sanitation District, Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District, and South Park County Sanitation District to execute an agreement with Natural Resource Results, LLC, in substantially the form presented to this Board, for federal legislative affairs outreach through December 31, 2027, in the not-to-exceed amount of $298,000.

F) Authorize Sonoma County Water Agency's General Manager acting on behalf of Sonoma County Water Agency, Occidental County Sanitation District, Russian River County Sanitation District, Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District, and South Park County Sanitation District to execute an agreement with Van Ness Feldman, LLP, in substantially the form presented to this Board, for federal legislative affairs outreach through December 31, 2027, in the not-to-exceed amount of $298,000.

Travel Authorization

G) Authorize Sonoma County Water Agency's General Manager, Grant Davis, and Assistant General Manager, Brad Sherwood, to travel out of state as appropriate to support the implementation of the Sonoma County Water Agency legislative platforms. In accordance with the Sonoma County travel policy, the Board must authorize travel for staff who attend out-of-state meetings more than twice in the fiscal year. This item authorizes the General Manager and Assistant General Manager to travel out of state as appropriate without further separate Board authorization if the trips support the implementation of the Sonoma County Water Agency legislative platforms.

Department or Agency Name(s): Sonoma County Water Agency, Occidental County Sanitation District, Russian River County Sanitation District, Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District (Directors: Hermosillo, Coursey, Wellander) and South Park County Sanitation District

Attachments: Summary Report
Attachment 1 - 2026-2027 State Legislative Platform
Attachment 2 - Agreement with Pacific Policy Group
Attachment 3 - 2026 -2027 Federal Legislative Platform
Attachment 4 - Agreement with Thorn Run Partners
Attachment 5 - Agreement with Natural Resoursce Results
Attachment 6 - Agreement with Van Ness Feldman
Attachment 7 - List of State and Federal Advocacy
Attachment 8 - Competitive Selection Process Memo
Attachment 9 - Prior Board Actions

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District
Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Coursey, Seconded by Chair Hermosillo; Approved as recommended.
Ayes: Hermosillo, Coursey
Absent: Mayor Wellander

APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

30. Approve the Appointment of Susy Martes to the IOLERO Community Advisory Council for a two-year term beginning March 3, 2026 and ending March 3, 2028. (First District) **2026-0133**

Department or Agency Name(s): Board of Supervisors

Attachments: Summary Report

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

31. Approve the Reappointment of Christopher Borr to the Parks Measure M Citizens Oversight Committee, representing the Third District for a three-year term beginning March 7, 2026 and ending March 7, 2029. (Third District) **2026-0025**

Department or Agency Name(s): Board of Supervisors

Attachments: Summary Report

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

32. Board of Supervisors to approve the Appointment of Michael Pickens to the Regional Measure 3 Independent Oversight Committee. (Countywide) **2026-0224**

Approve the Appointment of Michael Pickens to Regional Measure 3 Independent Oversight Committee for a four-year term beginning March 3, 2026, through March 3, 2030.

Department or Agency Name(s): County Administrator

Attachments: Summary Report
Application Recommended for Appointment.pdf
Bay Area Toll Authority Resolution No. 131.pdf

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

33. Board of Supervisors Countywide Appointments to the Child Care Planning Council of Sonoma County **2026-0252**

A) Approve the following Countywide appointments and reappointment to the Child Care Planning Council of Sonoma County:
   i. Approve the appointment of Kristina Sisseck and Heather Muntzer for a term beginning March 4, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027.
   ii. Approve the reappointment of Sonya Valiente for a term beginning January 1, 2026, and ending on June 30, 2027.
B) Approve a change in the membership category for member Jason Riggs.
C) Authorize the Director of the Human Services Department to sign the required Certification Statement Regarding Composition of Local Planning Council Membership

Department or Agency Name(s): Sonoma County Office Of Education, County Administrator and Human Services

Attachments: Summary Report
Attachment 1 Applications Recommended for Appointment
Attachment 2 - Child Care Planning Council of Sonoma County Membership List
Attachment 3 - Certification Statement Regarding Composition of LPC Membership Form

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

PRESENTATIONS/GOLD RESOLUTIONS

PRESENTATIONS AT THE BOARD MEETING

(Gold resolutions are presented in the afternoon session at 1:30 P.M.)

34. Adopt a Gold Resolution Proclaiming February 2026 as Career Technical Education Month. (Countywide) **2026-0137**

Department or Agency Name(s): Board of Supervisors

Attachments: Summary Report
Gold Resolution

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended by Resolution 26-0055.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

35. Adopt a Gold Resolution Proclaiming the Month of March 2026 as Sonoma County Civil Grand Jury Appreciation Month. (Countywide) **2026-0211**

Department or Agency Name(s): Board of Supervisors

Attachments: Summary Report
Gold Resolution

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended by Resolution 26-0056.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

36. Adopt a Gold Resolution Proclaiming March 2026 to be Family Justice Center Month in Sonoma County. **2026-0186**

Department or Agency Name(s): District Attorney

Attachments: Summary Report
Resolution

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended by Resolution 26-0057.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

37. Adopt a Gold Resolution Recognizing Maricarmen Reyes as Recipient of the 2025 Pete Peterka Award **2026-0143**

Department or Agency Name(s): Emergency Management

Attachments: Summary Report
Gold Resolution

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended by Resolution 26-0058.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

10:10 A.M. Public Comment on Consent Items Opened

Speakers:

Michael
Debbie
Adina

10:17 A.M. Public Comment on Consent Items Closed

VII. 10:05 A.M. - PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA BUT WITHIN THE SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD AND ON BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

(Comments are restricted to matters within the Board's jurisdiction. The Board will hear public comments at this time for up to thirty minutes. Each person is usually granted time to speak at the discretion of the Chair. Any additional public comments will be heard at the conclusion of the meeting. While members of the public are welcome to address the Board, under the Brown Act, Board members may not deliberate or take action on items not on the agenda.)

10:22 A.M. Public Comment on Matters Not on the Agenda Opened

Speakers:

Don
Lindy
Greg
Adina
Michael
Mike
No Name

10:39 A.M. Public Comment on Matters Not on the Agenda Closed

VIII. REGULAR CALENDAR

38. County Executive Appointment and Personal Services Agreement **2026-0235**

Authorize the Chair of the Board to execute a Personal Services Agreement with David Guhin appointing him as the County Executive of the County of Sonoma placing him at the "F" step of the salary range with the agreement term of April 20, 2026, through April 20, 2029.

Department or Agency Name(s): Human Resources

Attachments: Summary Report
Personal Services Agreement for County Executive David Guhin

10:42 A.M.

Presenter: Janell Crane, Director, Human Resource

10:44 A.M. Public Comment Opened

Speakers:

Adina
Michael
Mike

10:49 A.M. Public Comment Closed

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Hopkins, Seconded by Supervisor Coursey; Approved as recommended.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

39. The SMART Initiative: Safe, Modern and Accessible Rail and Transit **2026-0178**

Provide comment and take a formal position on the proposed "SMART Initiative: Safe, Modern and Accessible Rail and Transit"; and authorize the Board of the Chair to send a letter in support of, or opposition to, the Initiative.

Department or Agency Name(s): County Counsel

Attachments: Summary Report.pdf

10:54 A.M.

Presenters:

Petra Bruggisser, Chief County Counsel, County Counsel

10:56 A.M. Public Comment Opened

Speakers:

Michael
Mike

11:00 A.M. Public Comment Closed

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Coursey, Seconded by Supervisor Hopkins; Approved as recommended.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

40. 10:30 A.M. Appeal of a Use Permit Modification approval to increase winery production to 30,000 cases annually, and to incorporate tasting and Agricultural Promotional Events for a winery located at 13414 Chalk Hill Road, Healdsburg. APNs 132-120-017 and 132-120-018. Permit Sonoma File No. UPE21-0042. **2026-0110**

Conduct a public hearing and adopt a Resolution denying the appeal, adopting a Mitigated Negative Declaration, and upholding the Sonoma County Board of Zoning Adjustment's decision to approve the project subject to the Conditions of Approval. (Fourth District)

Department or Agency Name(s): Permit and Resource Management

Attachments:
Summary Report.pdf
Attachment 1 Draft BOS Resolution.pdf
Attachment 2 MND.pdf
Attachment 3 BZA Resolution 25-11.pdf
Attachment 3 Exhibit A. Draft UPE21-0042 COA.pdf
Attachment 4 Appeal Letter, dated August 22, 2025.pdf
Attachment 5 Application Packet.pdf
Attachment 6 Site Plan.pdf
Attachment 7 Road Exception.pdf
Attachment 8 Road Maintenece Agreement.pdf
Attachment 9 Public Comment Received prior to August 14, 2025.pdf
Attachment 10 August 14, 2025 BZA Minutes.pdf
Attachment 11 UPE21-0042 PowerPoint Presentation.pdf
Attachment 12 III - Medlock Ames 1.pdf

11:05 A.M.

Presenters:

Scott Orr, Director, Permit Sonoma
Jen Chard, Planner, Permit Sonoma

11:13 A.M. Public Hearing Opened
11:31 A.M. Public Comment Opened

Speakers:

Kathy
Charles
No Name
Mike

11:50 A.M. Public Comment Closed
12:03 P.M. Public Hearing Closed

12:04 P.M. Public Hearing Reopened
12:09 P.M. Public Hearing Closed

Applicants: Medlock Ames Vintners, Morrison Ames, Julia Rothberg

Appellants: Jay Zelewski, Charlie Martin, Albert Merck, John Rosekrans, Roger McDermontt

Board Action: Moved by Supervisor Gore Seconded by Supervisor Hopkins Approved as recommended.

Aye: Hermosillo, Coursey, Gore, and Hopkins

Absent: Rabbitt

12:12 P.M. The Board Recessed to Closed Session and lunch break.

1:36 P.M. The Board Reconvened from Closed Session and lunch break.

IX. REGULAR AFTERNOON CALENDAR

X. 1:30 P.M. - PRESENTATIONS/GOLD RESOLUTIONS

1:37 P.M

Chair Hermosillo presented to staff and representative of the Career Technical Education Foundation of Sonoma County a Gold Resolution Proclaiming February 2026 as Career Technical Education Month.

Chair Hermosillo presented to Judge Honigsberg & Wendy Roberts, Grand Jury Foreperso a Gold Resolution Proclaiming the Month of March 2026 as Sonoma County Civil Grand Jury Appreciation Month.

Chair Hermosillo presented to Carla Rodriguez, District Attorney and Marsha Lucien, Executive Director a Gold Resolution Proclaiming March 2026 to be Family Justice Center Month in Sonoma County.

Chair Hermosillo presented to Maricarmen Reyes a Gold Resolution Recognizing Maricarmen Reyes as Recipient of the 2025 Pete Peterka Award.

XI. REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION FOR FEBRUARY 10, 2026

2:20 P.M. County Counsel, Josh Myers, reported out on the Tuesday, February 10, 2026, Closed Session.

XII. REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION FOR MARCH 3, 2026

2:24 P.M. County Counsel, Josh Myers, reported out on the Tuesday, March 3, 2026, Closed Session.

XIII. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS ON ASSIGNED BOARDS, COUNCILS, COMMISSIONS OR OTHER ATTENDED MEETINGS

2:26 P.M. The Board reported on assigned Boards, Councils, Commissions and other attended meetings.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

2:29 P.M. The Board adjourned the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned to March 9, 2026 at 9:00 A.M.

Respectfully submitted, Marcie Woychik, Chief Deputy Clerk of the Board