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**COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
825 FIFTH STREET
EUREKA, CA 95501
SUPERVISORS' CHAMBER, FIRST FLOOR**

AGENDA - Final

Tuesday, January 27, 2026

9:00 AM

Regular Meeting - Hybrid

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A. ROLL CALL

B. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**C. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA****D. CONSENT CALENDAR****Aviation**[26-75](#)

1. Non-Federal Reimbursable Agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration for the Engineering Design Review and Oversight Support for Impacts of the Taxiway A Shift to the Electrical Line Distribution (4/5 Vote Required)

Recommendation: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve and authorize the Director of Aviation, or their delegatee, to execute the attached Non-Federal Reimbursable Agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for the Engineering Design Review and Oversight Support for Impacts of the Taxiway A Shift to the Electrical Line Distribution (ELD); and
2. Authorize the Director of Aviation, or their delegatee, to execute any future amendments to the attached Non-Federal Reimbursable Agreement after review by County Counsel, Risk Management and the County Administrative Office; and
3. Grant a Waiver from Nuclear Free Humboldt Ordinance (4/5 Vote Required).

Attachments:

[Staff Report](#)[Reimbursable Agreement AJW-FN-WSA-24-WP-006365.pdf](#)**Board of Supervisors**[26-63](#)

2. Proclamation Recognizing February 2026 as Civil Grand Jury Awareness Month in Humboldt County

Recommendation: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt the proclamation.

Sponsors: Supervisor Wilson

Attachments:

[Staff Report](#)[Civil Grand Jury Awareness Month Proclamation](#)

26-64

3. Proclaim January 2026 as Human Trafficking Awareness Month in Humboldt County

Recommendation: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt the proclamation.

Sponsors: Supervisor Bushnell

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

[Human Trafficking Awareness Month Proclamation](#)

Clerk of the Board

25-1458

4. Letter of Appreciation to Hyun-Kyung You for Service on the Children and Families Commission of Humboldt County

Recommendation: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Authorize the Chair to sign the Letter of Appreciation.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

[Letter of Appreciation to Hyun-Kyung You](#)

26-51

5. Approval of the Action Summary - Meeting of January 13, 2026

Recommendation: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the Action Summary for the meeting of January 13, 2026, and authorize the Clerk of the Board and the Board Chair to sign the Minute Book in accordance with California Governmental Code Section 25103.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

[Action Summary - January 13, 2026](#)

[Minute Sheet](#)

26-57

6. Submittal of Supervisors' Monthly Expense Report for December 2025, Pursuant to Government Code Section 53232.3(d)

Recommendation: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Receive and file the report.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

[December 2025 Monthly Expense Reporting Forms](#)

County Administrative Office[25-1478](#)

7. Extension of Extra-Help Hours Past the 960 Hour Limit for the County Administrative Office, 1100-103 (4/5 Vote Required)

Recommendation: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve a waiver of the 960 hour extra-help limitation for Stephanie Boers and an extension of 790 hours, to a maximum of 1,750 hours for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26, pursuant to Section 7 of the Humboldt County Salary Resolution (4/5 Vote Required).

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

[26-52](#)

8. 2026 Digital Accessibility Policy

Recommendation: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt the 2026 Digital Accessibility Policy as a replacement for the Website Accessibility Policy.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

[Digital Accessibility Policy](#)

[Humboldt County Digital Standards and Style Guide](#)

Human Resources[25-1439](#)

9. Reclassification of Public Health Nutrition Aides to Community Health Outreach Worker I/II's

Recommendation: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the reallocation of 5.83 full time equivalent (FTE) Nutrition Aide positions (classification #1581, five 1.0 FTE positions and one 0.83 FTE position #01, 02, 03, 06, 08 and 09, salary range 356) in Budget Unit (BU) 415, to 5.83 FTE Community Health Outreach Worker I/II (classification #0511A/B, five 1.0 FTE positions #01, 02, 03, 04, 05 and one 0.83 FTE position #06, salary range 366/394) in BU 415, effective the pay period following Board approval; and
2. Reclassify Amber Moses, Peter Coolidge, Mai Xiong, Julie Cruz and Emily Buckwalter from a 1.0 FTE Nutrition Aide (classification #1581, positions #01, 02, 03, 08 and 09, salary range 356) in BU 415, to a

1.0 FTE Community Health Outreach Worker I (classification #0511A, positions #01, 02, 03, 04, 05, salary range 366) in BU 415; reclassify Julia Owens .83 FTE Nutrition Aide (classification #1581, position 06, salary range 356) in BU 415, to a .83 FTE Community Health Outreach Worker I (classification #0511A, position 06, salary range 366) in BU 415; effective the pay period following Board approval; and

3. Approve the appointments of Cerelia Barbato and Faith Moore who are currently Extra Help Nutrition Aides (classification #1581, positions #X1, X1, salary range 356) in BU 415, to Community Health Outreach Worker I (classification #0511A, positions #X1, X1, salary range 366) assignments at Step 1A in BU 415, effective the pay period following Board approval; and

4. Approve the appointment of Lindsey Reyna-Sanchez, who is currently an Extra Help Nutrition Aide (classification #1581, positions #X1, salary range 356) in BU 415, to Community Health Outreach Worker I (classification #0511A, positions #X1 salary range 366) assignment at Step C in BU 415, effective the pay period following Board approval; and

5. Abolish the Nutrition Aide job classification (classification #1581) from the county's Classification Plan effective Feb. 1, 2026.; and

6. Adopt the Compensation Schedule (Attachment 1) effective Feb. 1, 2026.; and

7. Adopt the Resolution (Attachment 2) approving the amendment of the 2024-2026 Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Humboldt and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees.

Attachments:

[Staff Report](#)
[2026-02-01 Compensation Schedule](#)
[Resolution](#)

Public Works**26-67**

10. Award of Consultant Services Agreement to Vanir Construction Management Inc. Regarding the Provision of Project Management / Owner's Representative / Construction Administration Services for the Sempervirens Replacement Project, #170261

Recommendation: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the attached Consultant Evaluation Sheet for Request for Qualifications No. DPW2025-003; and
2. Approve, and authorize Chair of the Board to execute, the attached consultant services agreement with Vanir Construction Management, Inc. regarding provision of project management/ owner's representative / construction administration services in the amount of \$1,666,366 through Dec. 31, 2029; and
3. Authorize the Public Works Director, or a designee thereof, to execute any and all subsequent amendments to the attached consultant services agreement with Vanir Construction Management, Inc., after review and approval by the Department of Health and Human Services Behavioral Health, County Counsel, Risk Management and the County Administrative Office; and
4. Direct the Clerk of the Board to return one (1) fully executed original copy of the attached consultant services agreement with Vanir Construction Management, Inc. to the Department of Public Works for further processing.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

[Consultant Evaluation Sheet -RFQ DPW 2025-003](#)

[170261-VanirAgreement-Final_rm](#)

E. ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT

F. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

G. MATTERS SET FOR TIME CERTAIN

Board of Supervisors (Closed Session)

[25-1468](#)

1. 9:30 AM - Pursuant to Government Code Sections 54954.5 and 54957 to Consider a Public Employee Performance Evaluation for the Position of the Director of Health and Human Services

[25-1470](#)

2. 9:30 AM - Pursuant to Government Code Sections 54954.5 and 54957 to Consider a Public Employee Performance Evaluation for the Position of the Director of Public Works

26-16

3. 9:30 AM - Conference with Labor Negotiator - Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 it is the Intention of the Board of Supervisors to Meet in Closed Session to Review the County's Position and Instruct its Designated Labor Negotiator. Labor Negotiators: Elishia Hayes, Zachary O'Hanen, and Jack Hughes. Employee Organizations (Represented and Unrepresented): SEIU/In-Home Support Services, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME local 1684), Humboldt County Attorneys Association, Humboldt Deputy Sheriffs Organization (Law Enforcement Non-Management Unit), Humboldt Deputy Sheriffs Organization (Law Enforcement Management Unit), Appointed Department Heads, and Management and Confidential employees

County Counsel (Closed Session)26-58

4. 9:30 AM - Conference with Legal Counsel – Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) to discuss existing litigation in the case of Delman Smith, et al. v. City of Eureka, et al., Humboldt County Superior Court Case No. CV2502760

26-59

5. 9:30 AM - Conference with Legal Counsel – Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) to discuss existing litigation in the case of Allen Donald McCloskey v. Stacey Eads, Shasta County Superior Court Case No. 26CV-0209571

26-60

6. 9:30 AM - Conference with Legal Counsel – Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) to discuss existing litigation in the case of Faustino Cayetano v. County of Santa Barbara, et al., Case No. 2:25-cv-01723-CV-E

26-83

7. 9:30 AM - Conference with Legal Counsel – Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) to discuss existing litigation in the case of Jackie Klem v. County of Humboldt, et al., Humboldt County Superior Court Case No. CV2502812

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS (None Scheduled)**I. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS****Clerk of the Board**26-19

1. Consider Making an At-Large Appointment to the Humboldt County Planning Commission

Recommendation: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Consider making an at-large appointment to the Humboldt County Planning Commission.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Lorna McFarlane Application](#)

County Administrative Office

[26-54](#)

2. Introduction of an Ordinance Repealing Measure S Cannabis Excise Tax

Recommendation: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Introduce the ordinance (Attachment 1) repealing the county's Measure S cannabis cultivation excise tax; and
2. Set the date to adopt the ordinance to repeal Measure S for Feb. 10, 2026; and
3. Direct the Clerk of the Board, within 5 days of adopting the attached ordinance, to publish a pre-adoption summary of the ordinance (Attachment 2), and to post in the office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors a copy of the full text of the ordinance.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Chapter 9 - Code Language Redline](#)
[Ordinance - Measure S Amendment FINAL](#)
[Pre-Adoption Summary FINAL](#)

[26-68](#)

3. Adoption of the 2026 Legislative Platform

Recommendation: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Provide input and direction to staff as desired regarding the proposed state and federal legislative platforms for 2026; and
2. Provide input and direction as desired on state and federal policy issues to receive priority advocacy services; and
3. Prioritize congressional and state direct funding requests; and
4. Adopt the proposed state and federal legislative platforms, incorporating any changes desired by the Board, as the final platforms for 2026; and
5. Direct the County Administrative Officer, or a designee thereof, to

submit the final version of the legislative platform to appropriate state and federal officials, community-based associations and others, as appropriate; and

6. Authorize and direct the County Administrative Officer, and/or designees thereof to advocate as needed to support the County of Humboldt's legislative platforms, and resolutions adopted by the Board.

Attachments:

[Staff Report](#)

[2026 Legislative Platform - Clean Version](#)

[2026 Legislative Platform - Redlined Version](#)

[Budget Request - DHHS - Humboldt County Public Health Laboratory](#)

[Budget Request - Public Works - Redwood Drive Complete Streets](#)

[Budget Request - CAO - Project FORWARD Packet](#)

[Budget Request - Public Works - Trinidad Scenic Drive Packet](#)

[Budget Request - PLN - Digitization of Planning Documents Packet](#)

Planning and Building Department

[25-1476](#)

4. Assessment of a Potential Reduction in the Minimum Acreage Required for Subdivisions in the Jacoby Creek Community Planning Area.

Recommendation: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Receive the report prepared by staff, and direct staff to undertake further action as appropriate.

Attachments:

[Staff Report](#)

[Attachment 1 - Parcel Study Area](#)

[Attachment 2 - Potential Subdivision Parcels](#)

[Attachment 3 - Potential Subdivision Parcels on Public Water
Public Comment to BOS Prior](#)

J. MATTERS INITIATED BY BOARD (None Scheduled)

K. CLOSED SESSION (See Matters Set For Time Certain)

L. ADJOURNMENT