



**CITY COUNCIL OF AMADOR CITY
DRAFT, REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
TUESDAY, 14 July 2026
6:00 PM**

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CALL TO ORDER

FLAG SALUTE/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL/ESTABLISH A QUORUM

Council Members Ambroselli, Bragstad, Sherrill, Testa, Staples

PRESENTATION

Mr Jim Rooney, Amador County Assessor

Presentation to City Council and Community on the Annual Assessment for Amador County.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Under provisions of the California Government Code, citizens wishing to address the Council for any matter not on the agenda and within the jurisdiction of Amador City may do so at this time. Please limit comments to five minutes or less.

APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA 14 JULY 2026

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are to be considered routine by the City Council and may be enacted by one motion in the form listed. Any item may be removed for separate discussion and possible action and made part of the regular agenda at the request of a councilmember(s).

1. Regular Meeting Minutes of 9 June 2026
2. Financial Reports
 - financial statements
 - City Treasurer's report

ORDINANCE

3. Introduce Second Reading of Ordinance No.190 "An Ordinance of the City of Amador, California, Amending the Municipal Code to Establish Through-Truck ("Thru-Truck") Restrictions Within City Limits Consistent with California Vehicle Code Section 35701"

The Second Reading and Passage will be at the Regular City Council Meeting, Tuesday, 7 July 2026. If passed, Ordinance 190 will take effect after 30 days or when signage is in place.

Attachment: Ordinance 190
email, Greg Stanton

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:

4. **Clean-Up Day**

Discussion only on Clean Up Day on Saturday, 25 July from 9:00AM-12:00PM

Containers will be supplied by Republic Services.

Attachment: Flyer announcing Clean Up Day

5. **Consideration of Further Action relating to Appointment of Council Member Stephen M. Testa** *Councilmember Stephen Testa*

Attachments: Letter of Interest Regarding Vacant City Council Member Position, 20 May 2026,
Stephen Testa

Letter, Your Appointment to the Amador City Council, 16 June 2026,
Patrick Keene, City Attorney

Letter, Legal Matter Regarding Amador City Council Appointment, 24 June 2026,
Stephen Testa

Voter Registration Postcard, date stamped 12 June 2026, from Amador County Clerk
Letter, Agenda Item Consideration, 26 June 2026

APPENDIX:

Flyer, "Announcing a Vacancy on City Council of Amador City", 12 May 2026

6. **Clarification of Administrative Procedures and Process for Proposed Legal Action by the** **City Attorney** *Stephen M. Testa*

Attachment: Letter, Agenda Item Consideration, 8 July 2026

7. **Proposed: Draft Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.**

Discussion and possible action to approve the Draft Budget for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027, with the addition of a Reserve Cash Fund.

Attachments: Draft Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027

8. **Resolution No. 651, Adopting a List of Projects for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Funded by SB 1: The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017**

Discussion and possible action, by council motion and vote, to approve the resolution, a requirement for receipt of \$5,627.00 in RMRA funds.

Attachment: Resolution No. 651

9. **Community Center**

Discussion and possible action, by council motion and vote, to establish an Ad Hoc Committee to research and make recommendations to City Council no later than September 8th regarding the following as they pertain to the Community Room in the Old Grammar School by:

- clean-up day to clean, organize and inventory the contents
- rental policies, including rates, deposits, and forms
- promotion

10. **Resolution 652 Memorializing the Approval of Amador Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP)**
Discussion and possible action to approve, by council motion and vote, Resolution 652.
Attachments: Memo: Background and Discussion (from Sutter Creek)
Resolution 652
Draft Report, Amador County's Community Wildfire Protection Plan
11. **Law Enforcement**
Discussion only regarding termination by Amador County Sheriff's Office of the 2004 Basic Police Service Contract with Amador City, status of proposed contracts for Local Police Service commencing in the Fiscal Year 2027-2028.
Attachment: Letter, Undersheriff Benov
12. **Resolution 653, Allowing Microtrenching for the CVIN Project**
Volcano Telephone is requesting that the City allow for pavement rehabilitation work for microtrenching to install fiber-optic infrastructure through Amador City and Sutter Creek along Old Hwy 49.
Attachments: Memo: Microtrenching and Roadway Rehabilitation (from Sutter Creek)
Vicinity Map
Microtrench Detail
Microtrench, Amador City
Resolution 653

CLOSED SESSION: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: (1 potential case). Purpose of session is to discuss "existing facts and circumstances" that expose the agency to litigation if discussed in open session. (§ 54956.9(e)(2)).

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION

REPORTS *This section provides an opportunity for a brief verbal status updates on committee meetings and activities of Councilmembers and staff. No action will be taken.*

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

Councilmember Ambroselli
Councilmember Bragstad
Councilmember Sherrill
Councilmember Staples

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

STAFF REPORTS

13. Attached, June 2026 Summary Report, Sheriff Redman

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

*The next scheduled Regular City Council meeting is Tuesday, 11 August 2026, at 6:00 PM
at Old City Hall/Firehouse at 14203 Main Street/Old Hwy 49*

Agenda Item

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE AMADOR CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2026

Meeting called to order at 6:03 p.m.

Flag Salute/Pledge of Allegiance by Thielsen Howry

Roll Call – Ambroselli, Sherrill, Staples present, Bragstad absent

APPOINTMENTS/SEATING OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBER –

1. At this time Stephen Testa was sworn in as City Councilmember and took his place at the Council table.

PUBLIC COMMENT – A'Laina Lyons commented on the excessive weeds in Pioneer Cemetery and the excessive and intrusive lighting at night at the Old City Hall/Schoolhouse. Kevin Jennings spoke on the issue of abandoning the north end of O'Neil Alley. Our attorney read the letter that he wrote to Jennings (copy attached). Jennings asked that this subject be placed on the July agenda.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Motion to approve agenda subject to removal of Item 5. Budget, made by Testa, 2nd by Ambroselli, approved unanimously

CONSENT CALENDAR –

2. Minutes of May 12, 2026 Meeting

3. Financial Reports – No expenses for May

Approval of Consent Calendar – Motion by Ambroselli, 2nd by Sherrill – Approved by Ambroselli, Sherrill and Staples, Testa abstained

ORDINANCE #190 – An Ordinance of the City of Amador City, California, Amending the Municipal Code to Establish Through-Truck Restrictions within City Limits Consistent with California Vehicle Code Section 35701- Motion by Sherrill to waive reading, 2nd by Testa, approved unanimously. Law enforcement to look at this ordinance. Signs must be erected to enforce this ordinance. The signs at both ends of town will read “No Through Trucks over Five Tons”. Motion to approve posting signs by Sherrill, 2nd by Testa, approved unanimously.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS –

4. Resolution #649 – A Resolution of Amador City Council Approving the Raising of the Commemorative Pride Flag in Recognition of Pride Month. Motion to approve by Sherrill, 2nd by Ambroselli, approved by Ambroselli, Sherrill, Staples, Testa abstained

At this time Council Member Ambroselli asked to be excused for personal reasons.

5. Removed from Agenda

6. SB1 Projects and California Assembly Bill 413 “Intersection Daylight Law”

A. SBI Projects approved and paid for by gas tax money

B. AB 413 Bill “Intersection Daylight Law” –

Option 2: Continental Cross Walk -Motion to approve SB1 scope of work and to go out to bid for Option 2 Continental Sidewalk by Testa, 2nd by Sherrill, approved unanimously.

7. Amador City’s Dump Day - Postponed until July.

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS –

Sherrill – Powder House Event brought in \$2,900 and Amador Whitney Museum donated \$1,000. Historical Society plans a donation in the future.

Testa – Thanked the City for use of City Hall for his Geological Society events. He thinks when a larger venue (Old Schoolhouse) is available he will have 40-70 attendees. There is a lot of interest in his proposed field trips to different mining sites in the County.

Staples – According to our Property Manager we have two tenants for Apt. A and B.

Attorney Patrick Keene will be present for July meeting but will be out of the country for August meeting.

Future Agenda Items – Approve Resolution for Micro Trenching, reschedule Dump Day. Next Meeting July 14, 2026

Agenda Item 2

Agenda Item 3

ORDINANCE NO. 190

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AMADOR, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH THROUGH-TRUCK ("THRU-TRUCK") RESTRICTIONS WITHIN CITY LIMITS CONSISTENT WITH CALIFORNIA VEHICLE CODE SECTION 35701

WHEREAS, California Vehicle Code Section 35701 authorizes the City of Amador ("City") to adopt ordinances prohibiting the use of City streets by through-trucks exceeding a specific weight; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this ordinance is to enhance traffic safety, reduce roadway maintenance costs, and preserve the residential and historical character of its main street by prohibiting the use of Main Street by trucks exceeding 10,000 pounds or five (5) tons gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR), consistent with the requirements of the California Vehicle Code (CVC) and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans);

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of Amador City, a general law city of the State of California, does ordain as follows:

Enactment: Chapter 10 of the Amador City Municipal Code is amended and Section 10.06.010 is added, as follows:

SECTION 1. Purpose.

The purpose of the regulations contained in this Ordinance is to accomplish the following goals:

- A. Increase safety for other vehicles, passengers and pedestrians in Amador City;
- B. Further the orderly conduct of traffic, the safety of the residents, the protection and preservation of the streets, and the general welfare of the community;
- C. Reduce the ambient noise level associated with heavy trucks;
- D. Reduce the wear and tear on local streets caused by heavy trucks that can lead to early road breakdown, and pose a hazard to nearby historical buildings and residences;
- E. Provide for improved quality of life for residents and visitors by carrying out the goals set forth in subsections A-D, above.

SECTION 2: DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this Ordinance, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings ascribed to them:

- **"Commercial Vehicle" / "Truck":** Any motor vehicle, trailer, or combination of vehicles used or maintained for the transportation of persons for hire, compensation, or profit, or designed, used, or maintained primarily for the transportation of property, having a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) of **ten thousand (10,000) pounds (5 tons)** or more.

- **"Through-Truck Traffic":** The operation of a commercial vehicle or truck passing through the City from an origin outside the City limits to a destination outside the City limits, without making a local delivery, pickup, or service stop.
- **"Restricted Street":** Main Street, from City limit to City limit

SECTION 3: THROUGH-TRUCKS PROHIBITED

Except as otherwise provided in Section 4 of this Chapter, it is unlawful for any person to operate, drive any Commercial Vehicle using Main Street to enter and exit City limits for a destination outside City limits.

SECTION 4: MANDATORY EXEMPTIONS FOR LOCAL ACCESS

The restrictions established in Section 2 of this Chapter shall not apply to any commercial vehicle performing the following activities:

- **Local Deliveries and Pickups:** Safely loading or unloading goods, merchandise, or property at a business or residence located on a restricted street.
- **Active Construction:** Delivering building materials or equipment to an active construction site holding a valid City-issued building permit.
- **Public Utilities:** Vehicles owned or operated by a public utility, political subdivision, or licensed contractor engaged in installing or repairing public infrastructure (e.g., electricity, water, internet).
- **Emergency Services:** Emergency response vehicles, including police, fire, and medical units.
- **Municipal Services:** Standard garbage, recycling, or street maintenance vehicles operated by or on behalf of the City.
- **Buses:** public transportation vehicles and schools buses.

SECTION 5: SIGNAGE REQUIRED FOR ENFORCEMENT

The City is to purchase and erect regulatory signs conforming to the **California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD)**. Signs reading **"NO THRU TRUCKS"** shall be posted at all entrances to the City, including but not limited to the approach to Amador City from California State Highway 49, and to the approach to Amador City on Old Highway 49 in Amador County. No enforcement or citations shall be issued under this ordinance until such signs are completely installed.

SECTION 6: ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES

- **Weigh-In Authority:** Any peace officer or commercial vehicle enforcement officer having reason to believe a truck is operating in violation of this chapter may require the driver to stop and submit to a document check.
- **Fines:** Any violation of this chapter shall constitute an administrative infraction or traffic violation, punishable by a base fine of **\$500.00** for a violation.

SECTION 7: SEVERABILITY

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

SECTION 8. Effective Date and Notice.

This ordinance shall take effect sixty (60) days after its adoption. Within fifteen (15) days of its adoption, this ordinance shall be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation published and circulated in the City of Amador.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Amador this 14th day of June 2026 by the following vote:

AYES:

NEYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

City Clerk

Date

Mayor.

Date

City Attorney

Date

Trucks

Subject: Trucks

From: greg stanton <gstantontrucking@yahoo.com>

Date: 6/28/2026, 8:58 AM

To: city.clerk@amador-city.com

RECEIVED JUN 30 2026

You should just ban trucks going through but not trucks that need to come in to conduct business.

I need to get to the mine sometimes

Thank you

Greg Stanton

Stanton and sons trucking

Sent from my iPhone

Agenda Item

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CLEAN UP DAY
SATURDAY – JULY 25, 2026
9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Containers, provided by Republic Services, will be located in the lot across from the Old Amador City Hall on School Street. Only those who show proof of residence in Amador City will be permitted to use the containers. We can accept items only until the containers are full – **COME EARLY!**

THE FOLLOWING ARE NOT PERMITTED:

APPLIANCES, MOTOR OIL, ROCK, DIRT, CONCRETE, PAINT, HOT ASHES, ANIMAL WASTE, CAR BATTERIES, ELECTRONIC WASTE, DANGEROUS LIQUIDS, OR TOXIC SUBSTANCES REQUIRING SPECIAL DISPOSAL.

Agenda Item 5

Stephen M. Testa
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stesta@goldrush.com

RECEIVED MAY 21 2026

Mayor Sandy Staples
Amador City Hall
14202 Main Street/Old Highway 49
P.O. Box 200
Amador City, CA 95601

May 20, 2026

Subject: Letter of Interest Regarding Vacant City Council Member Position

Dear Mayor Staples:

Presented herein is my letter of interest in being considered for the current vacant position on the City Council as a result of the recent resignation of City Council Member Ms. Melanie Unquez. I have been a resident of Amador City for over a year, and my professional background would be well-suited in fulfilling this particular vacancy. As a professional engineering and environmental geologist, I have participated in hundreds of public hearings on behalf of clients and in my role as Executive Officer of the California State Mining and Geology Board from 2005 to 2016. In such roles, I am very acquainted with the State's Administrative Procedure Act (APA), the Brown Act, and various codes pertaining to ethics and conflicts of interest (resume is attached).

I believe my skill set would be complementary and an asset to that of the existing council members. I appreciate your consideration of this letter of interest.

Respectfully submitted,



Stephen M. Testa



PATRICK M. KEENE

ATTORNEY AT LAW

(209) 223-0223

E-mail: lawyer@patkeene.com

FAX: (209) 223-2451



Mailing Address:
214 Kern Street
Jackson, CA 95642

June 16, 2026

Mr. Stephen Testa
Post Office Box 190
Amador City, CA 95601

RE: Your Appointment to the
Amador City Council

Dear Mr. Testa:

I am the Amador City Attorney, and I have been requested to contact you regarding your appointment to the Amador City Council at its last meeting on June 9th.

California Government Code section 36502, subsection (a), which reads as follows, sets forth the requirements for a person to serve as a California city councilperson:

“(a) A person is not eligible to hold office as councilmember, city clerk, or city treasurer unless he or she is at the time of assuming the office **an elector of the city**, and was a registered voter of the city at the time nomination papers are issued to the candidate as provided for in Section 10227 of the Elections Code. [Emphasis added].”

The term “elector of the city” means a person registered to vote at an address within that city.

It has come to the attention of the Council that at the time of your appointment, and assuming office last Tuesday, you were not registered to vote in Amador City. Accordingly, pursuant to the above Government Code section, you are not eligible to hold the office of councilperson.

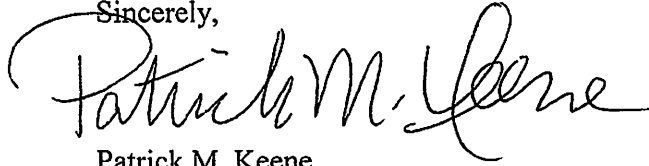
The City Council does not have authority on its own to remove you from the Council. The procedure for that would be a “quo warranto” lawsuit in the Amador Superior Court, to be brought either by the California Attorney General’s office or by the City, provided that the Attorney General’s office gives its consent for the City to so proceed.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of this issue, and to provide you an opportunity to resign from the Council to avoid the above-referenced litigation.

If you decline to do so, the matter will be put on the Council's agenda for the City to request leave to sue in quo warranto to have the Superior Court determine the propriety of your appointment.

Please reply to me at your earliest convenience as your preference in the manner of resolving this issue. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Patrick M. Keene". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Patrick" being the most prominent.

Patrick M. Keene
Attorney at Law

PMK/me

cc: Mayor Staples

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RECEIVED JUN 24 2026

Mr. Patrick M. Keene
Attorney at Law
214 Kern Street
Jackson, CA 95642

June 24, 2026

Subject: Legal Matter Regarding Amador City Council Appointment

Dear Mr. Keene:

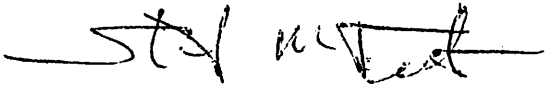
I am in receipt of your letter dated June 16, 2026, which was received via certified mail on June 23, 2026 (Attached). The purpose of such correspondence was twofold: to inform me of the issue pertaining to voting residency pursuant to California Government Code section 36502 and Section 10227 of the Election Code, and provide me an opportunity to resign from the Council to avoid referenced litigation. However, in review of the criteria set forth in your correspondence, I believe I am in full compliance with all statutory and regulatory requirements in order to voluntarily serve as a city council member for the remainder of my respective term.

I am not aware of the source of your information regarding this matter, but you may recall that I was asked this very question during the City Council meeting of June 9th; wherein, I indicated that I filled out the appropriate forms. Following the June 9th city council meeting, my Voting Notification Card with a Registration Date of June 2, 2026, was subsequently provided to the City Clerk, Ms. Davidson (Attached). It is noted herein that as of June 2th, I was officially an *"elector of the city"* as defined in your correspondence as being *"registered to vote at an address within the city"*.

I do not understand the litigious tone of your correspondence, nor where such concern originated and why this matter could not be handled with a simple phone call. If there were a legal procedural issue with me voluntarily being appointed to serve as a new city council member, I would without question resign accordingly.

Based on the aforementioned Voting Registration Card and noted Registration Date, I trust this matter is resolved notwithstanding if there is a misunderstanding on my part which I need to further consider. Please do not hesitate to contact me should any outstanding issues or concerns persist.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'ST Testa', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the left.

Stephen M. Testa

Cc: Mayor Staples ✓
Councilmember Bragsted
Councilmember Ambroselli
Councilmember Sherril
City Clerk Davidson

Attachments: Attorney correspondence dated June 16, 2026
Voter Notification Card; registration date June 2, 2026.

Kimberly L. Grady
Amador County Clerk
810 Court St.
Jackson, CA 95642-2132

SACRAMENTO CA 957

12 JUN 2026



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Amador County

VNC-2K

19 148352

Voter Notification Card

Tarjeta De Notificación Al Votante

Registration Date: 06/02/2026

Fecha de inscripción:
Para elecciones celebradas
a partir del:

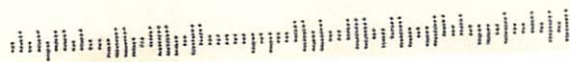
For Elections on or After: 06/17/2026
ID Number:

Número de identificación:

Party: AI

03ZA238779

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RECEIVED JUN 30 2026

Mayor Sandy Staples
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June 26, 2026

Subject: Agenda Item Consideration

Dear Mayor Staples:

As you are aware, as a duly appointed city council member, I received a litigious and threatening, presumptive bias, letter dated June 16, 2026, from City Attorney Mr. Patrick Keene leaving me with two options: either resign or legal counsel would pursue litigation in regards to mispresenting my voting status during the June 9th city council meeting. I did not misrepresent my voting registration status. Furthermore, I have addressed Mr. Keene's issues in correspondence dated June 24, 2026, and believe this matter has been resolved. I look forward to receiving written confirmation from Mr. Keene regarding this matter, preferably prior to the forthcoming city council meeting scheduled for July.

In regards to the upcoming July Amador City Council meeting, I wish to offer the following agenda item for consideration should such written confirmation not be received in a timely manner since I would have to pursue and retain legal counsel accordingly:

Proposed Agenda Item: Consideration of Further Actions relating to Appointment of
 Council Member Stephen M. Testa

Being threatened with legal action or requested to resign in such a public display is a serious matter. Please understand that the aforementioned request does not limit my legal rights to address other related issues in the appropriate manner.

I appreciate your consideration in the request offered herein, and truly hope for an amicable result.

Respectfully submitted,



Stephen M. Testa
Amador City Council Member

Cc: Amador City Clerk, Ms. Davidson



CITY OF AMADOR

INCORPORATED JUNE 2, 1915

California.

12 May 2026

ANNOUNCING A VACANCY ON CITY COUNCIL OF AMADOR CITY

The City Council of Amador City invites interested residents to submit a letter of interest to fill a vacancy on the City Council.

- Applicants must be 18 years of age, reside within the city limits of Amador City, and be registered to vote in Amador City.
- An applicant appointed by city council serves through December 2026.
- City Council meetings are the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM.
- This is a volunteer position without salary or benefits.

Announcement of the vacancy and invitations to submit a letter of interest will be posted in town, available at City Hall and on the website for Amador City <https://amador-city.com/government-overview/>

Appointment Process to Fill Vacant Council Seat

1. Letters of interest in filling the vacancy must be received by Friday, 5 June 2026. Letters of interest may be submitted in person, by mail (Amador City, PO Box 200, Amador City 95601), or by email to the City Clerk (city.clerk@amador-city.com).
2. Letters of interest can be brief. They should include the following information:
 - your full name
 - physical address, mailing address, email address
 - confirmation that you are registered to vote in Amador City
 - why you are interested in filling the vacancy
 - any other information you'd like the City Council to consider
3. Letters of interest will be provided to the City Council Members for review. Interviews will be conducted at the Regular City Council Meeting scheduled 9 June 2026 at 6:00 PM. At this meeting, the selection to fill the vacancy will be made. The appointee will take the Oath of Office at that time and serve through December 2026.

NOTE: Residents of Amador City interested in filling the vacant seat through its term of office, December 2028, must run for the city councilmember seat in the statewide gubernatorial election, held on the 3rd of November 2026. The elected city councilmember for this seat will take the oath of office in January 2027 and serve through December 2028.

*Serving residents of Amador City is important, interesting, and rewarding.
Consider submitting a letter of interest.*

Agenda Item 6

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RECEIVED JUL 9 - 2026

Mayor Sandy Staples
Amador City Hall
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P.O. Box 200
Amador City, CA 95601

July 8, 2026

Subject: Agenda Item Consideration

Dear Mayor Staples:

As you are aware, I have received no response from you or City Attorney Keene regarding resolution of issues related to my recent appointment to the Amador City Council. Such lack of response raises significant concerns and warrants, in part, clarification as to procedures for the City Attorney to litigate or threaten litigation against any party or individual, including individual dually appointed city council members.

Several issues are raised based on recent developments regarding this matter:

- Who decided that the City Attorney should threaten litigation in Superior Court based on an assumption and/or presumptive bias?
- Can a City Council member, including the Mayor, individually request the City Attorney to commence litigation for reasons such as dissatisfaction with a particular vote from another City Council member(s), differences in opinion among City Council members, cultural preferences, etc.
- Can legal action commence or be threatened by the City Attorney unbeknownst to the other City Council members?
- What are the appropriate administrative procedures and processes for consideration of legal action on behalf of the City Attorney?

In summary, the City Attorney, to my understanding, serves the municipality (i.e., Amador City), not individual members of the City Council, the Mayor or individual residents of the city, but rather represents the City Council as a whole.

I am of the opinion that the City Attorney should be in a position to review such administrative procedures and policies from a legal perspective, albeit such procedures and policies would require preparation by the City Council or Committee thereof. Such procedures and policies guidance manuals are commonplace among City Councils throughout the State to assure some sense of fundamental understanding of the lines of communications, what is expected, agenda building, etc.

In the meantime, and in regards to the upcoming July Amador City Council meeting, I wish to offer the following agenda item for consideration:

Proposed Agenda Item: Clarification of Administrative Procedures and Process for
 Proposed Legal Action by the City Attorney

I appreciate your consideration in the request offered herein.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen M. Testa", with a stylized, cursive script.

Stephen M. Testa
Amador City Council Member

Cc: Amador City Clerk, Ms. Davidson

Agenda Item

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FY 2026-27 Budget Dashboard

Metric	Actual Jul-Apr	Actual YTD	Annualized	Suggested	Final Proposed	Sans Insurance
Ordinary Income	\$1,082,150	\$1,169,429	\$1,191,962	\$1,043,856	\$1,043,856	<u>\$600,000.00</u>
Ordinary Expense	\$538,735	\$596,581	\$616,862	\$545,382	<u>\$545,382</u>	
Net Ordinary	\$543,415	\$572,848	\$575,100	\$498,474	\$498,474	
Other Income	\$33,740	\$33,774	\$34,922	\$39,922	\$39,922	
Other Expense	\$1,047,438	\$1,059,402	\$1,095,416	\$95,416	\$95,416	
Net Income	(\$470,283)	(\$452,781)	(\$485,394)	\$442,980	\$442,980	

Section	Account	QB Type	Actual Jul-Apr	Actual YTD	Annualized FY25-26	One-time / baseline adjustment	Policy / Inflation %	Adjusted baseline	Suggested FY26-27	Manual Proposed FY26-27	Final Proposed FY26-27
Ordinary Income	Business License Fees	INC	\$1,185	\$1,235	\$1,277	-	0.0%	\$1,277	\$1,277		\$1,277
Ordinary Income	Construction Permits	INC	\$24,223	\$24,223	\$25,046	-	0.0%	\$25,046	\$25,046		\$25,046
Ordinary Income	Cops	INC	\$201,537	\$201,537	\$208,388	(\$100,000)	0.0%	\$108,388	\$108,388		\$108,388
Ordinary Income	Design Review	INC	\$300	\$300	\$310	-	0.0%	\$310	\$310		\$310
Ordinary Income	Dividend	INC	\$750	\$750	\$776	-	0.0%	\$776	\$776		\$776
Ordinary Income	EV Charging Station	INC	\$473	\$473	\$489	-	0.0%	\$489	\$489		\$489
Ordinary Income	Encroachment Permit	INC	\$3,600	\$3,420	\$3,536	(\$3,536)	0.0%	\$0	-		-
Ordinary Income	Franchises	INC	\$7,703	\$7,963	\$8,234	-	0.0%	\$8,234	\$8,234		\$8,234
Ordinary Income	Homowners Prop Tax Relief	INC	\$226	\$384	\$397	-	0.0%	\$397	\$397		\$397
Ordinary Income	Insurance Refunds & Other	INC	\$506,599	\$506,599	\$506,599	(\$62,262)	0.0%	\$444,337	\$444,337		\$444,337
Ordinary Income	Miscellaneous Income	INC	\$2,557	\$3,076	\$3,181	-	0.0%	\$3,181	\$3,181		\$3,181
Ordinary Income	Other Fines	INC	\$27	\$27	\$28	-	0.0%	\$28	\$28		\$28
Ordinary Income	Prop 172 Pub Safety	INC	\$390	\$467	\$482	(\$182)	0.0%	\$300	\$300		\$300
Ordinary Income	Prop Taxes Secured & Unsecured	INC	\$37,780	\$72,267	\$74,724	(\$4,724)	0.0%	\$70,000	\$70,000		\$70,000
Ordinary Income	Real Property Transfer Taxes	INC	\$1,403	\$1,403	\$1,450	-	0.0%	\$1,450	\$1,450		\$1,450
Ordinary Income	Rents & Concessions	INC	\$71	\$71	\$73	\$27,600	0.0%	\$27,673	\$27,673		\$27,673
Ordinary Income	Road Maintenance	INC	\$915	\$915	\$946	-	0.0%	\$946	\$946		\$946
Ordinary Income	Sales & Use Taxes	INC	\$6,330	\$6,330	\$6,545	-	0.0%	\$6,545	\$6,545		\$6,545
Ordinary Income	Sewer Service Revenue	INC	\$180,550	\$212,350	\$219,568	-	0.0%	\$219,568	\$219,568		\$219,568
Ordinary Income	Sign Reviews & Permits	INC	\$25	\$25	\$26	-	0.0%	\$26	\$26		\$26
Ordinary Income	Special Sales Tax - Measure K	INC	\$36,537	\$39,750	\$41,101	(\$5,000)	0.0%	\$36,101	\$36,101		\$36,101
Ordinary Income	State of California Allocation	INC	\$11,162	\$12,961	\$13,401	-	0.0%	\$13,401	\$13,401		\$13,401
Ordinary Income	Street & Curb Permits	INC	\$35	\$70	\$72	-	0.0%	\$72	\$72		\$72
Ordinary Income	Supp Secured & Unsecured Taxes	INC	\$516	\$516	\$534	-	0.0%	\$534	\$534		\$534
Ordinary Income	Transient Lodging Taxes	INC	\$10,433	\$10,433	\$10,788	-	0.0%	\$10,788	\$10,788		\$10,788
Ordinary Income	Uncategorized Income	INC	\$31,455	\$31,455	\$32,525	-	0.0%	\$32,525	\$32,525		\$32,525
Ordinary Income	Vehicle License Taxes	INC	\$15,368	\$30,429	\$31,464	-	0.0%	\$31,464	\$31,464		\$31,464
Ordinary Income	Zoning Fees & Subdivisions Fees	INC	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-		-
Ordinary Expense	Bank Fees and Charges	EXP	\$96	\$136	\$141	(\$141)	5.0%	(\$0)	-		-
Ordinary Expense	Cemeteries	EXP	\$2,990	\$4,150	\$4,291	-	5.0%	\$4,291	\$4,506		\$4,506
Ordinary Expense	City Hall Remediation	EXP	-	\$1,650	\$1,706	(\$1,706)	5.0%	(\$0)	-		-
Ordinary Expense	Community Promotion	EXP	\$2,150	\$2,150	\$2,223	\$200	0.0%	\$2,423	\$2,423		\$2,423
Ordinary Expense	Contract Svcs - Governmental	EXP	\$40,095	\$42,774	\$44,228	-	5.0%	\$44,228	\$46,439		\$46,439
Ordinary Expense	Culbert Park Shade Structure	EXP	-	\$2,790	\$2,885	\$2,000	5.0%	\$4,885	\$5,129		\$5,129
Ordinary Expense	Dues and Subscriptions	EXP	\$4,046	\$4,046	\$4,184	-	5.0%	\$4,184	\$4,393		\$4,393
Ordinary Expense	Engineering	EXP	\$162,314	\$172,340	\$178,198	(\$100,000)	5.0%	\$78,198	\$82,108		\$82,108
Ordinary Expense	Hand Rail	EXP	-	\$2,600	\$2,688	(\$2,688)	5.0%	\$0	-		-
Ordinary Expense	IT	EXP	\$296	\$296	\$306	\$5,000	5.0%	\$5,306	\$5,571		\$5,571
Ordinary Expense	Insurance	EXP	\$25,912	\$30,441	\$31,476	-	5.0%	\$31,476	\$33,050		\$33,050
Ordinary Expense	Materials, Supplies, Office	EXP	\$3,320	\$3,390	\$3,505	-	5.0%	\$3,505	\$3,680		\$3,680
Ordinary Expense	Payroll Expenses	EXP	\$51,594	\$61,853	\$63,956	-	5.0%	\$63,956	\$67,154		\$67,154
Ordinary Expense	Plan Check and Permits	EXP	\$714	\$3,774	\$3,902	-	5.0%	\$3,902	\$4,097		\$4,097
Ordinary Expense	Police	EXP	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$77,550	-	5.0%	\$77,550	\$81,427		\$81,427
Ordinary Expense	Postage	EXP	\$361	\$361	\$373	-	5.0%	\$373	\$392		\$392
Ordinary Expense	Private Contract Services	EXP	\$32,660	\$34,882	\$36,067	-	5.0%	\$36,067	\$37,871		\$37,871
Ordinary Expense	Reconciliation Discrepancies	EXP	(\$82)	(\$82)	(\$85)	-	5.0%	(\$85)	(\$89)		(\$89)
Ordinary Expense	Repairs & Maint - City Property	EXP	\$43,567	\$45,102	\$46,635	-	5.0%	\$46,635	\$48,967		\$48,967
Ordinary Expense	Schoolhouse Remediation	EXP	-	\$2,854	\$2,951	-	5.0%	\$2,951	\$3,098		\$3,098
Ordinary Expense	Sewer Transmission	EXP	\$61,661	\$69,966	\$72,344	-	5.0%	\$72,344	\$75,962		\$75,962
Ordinary Expense	Streets/Storm Drains	EXP	\$1,750	\$1,821	\$1,883	-	5.0%	\$1,883	\$1,977		\$1,977
Ordinary Expense	Utilities	EXP	\$30,292	\$34,289	\$35,454	-	5.0%	\$35,454	\$37,227		\$37,227
Other Income	Investment Earnings	EXINC	\$33,740	\$33,774	\$34,922	\$5,000	0.0%	\$39,922	\$39,922		\$39,922
Other Expense	Capital Improvements	EXEXP	\$1,047,438	\$1,059,402	\$1,095,416	(\$1,000,000)	0.0%	\$95,416	\$95,416		\$95,416

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RESOLUTION NO.651

RESOLUTION ADOPTING A LIST OF PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 FUNDED BY SB 1: THE ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1 (SB 1), the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (Chapter 5, Statutes of 2017) was passed by the Legislature and Signed into law by the Governor in April 2017 to address the significant multi-modal transportation funding shortfalls statewide; and

WHEREAS, SB 1 includes accountability and transparency provisions that will ensure the residents of the City of Amador are aware of the projects proposed for funding in our community and which projects have been completed each fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, Amador City must adopt by resolution a list of projects proposed to receive fiscal year funding from the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA), created by SB 1, which must include a description and the location of each proposed project, a proposed schedule for the project's completion, and the estimated useful life of the improvement; and

WHEREAS, Amador City will receive an estimated \$5,627.00 in RMRA funding in Fiscal Year 2026-2027 from SB 1; and

WHEREAS, this is the 10th year in which Amador City is receiving SB 1 funding and will enable Amador City to continue essential road maintenance and rehabilitation projects, safety improvements, repairing and replacing aging bridges, and increasing access and mobility options for the traveling public that would not have otherwise been possible without SB 1; and

WHEREAS, Amador City has undergone a public process to ensure public input into our community's transportation priorities/the project list; and

WHEREAS, Amador City referenced the Pavement Management System managed and maintained by the Amador County Transportation Commission to develop the SB 1 project list to ensure revenues are being used on the most high-priority and cost-effective projects that also meet the communities priorities for transportation investment; and

WHEREAS, the funding from SB 1 will help Amador City maintain and rehabilitate the safety of 3 intersections throughout this year and of 2 similar projects into the future; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 California Statewide Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment found that Amador City's streets and roads are in an "at-risk" condition and this revenue will help increase the overall safety of the road system and over the next decade will bring the safety of streets and roads into a lower risk condition; and

WHEREAS, the SB 1 project list and overall investment in our local streets and roads infrastructure with a focus on basic maintenance and safety, investing in roadway safety, and using appropriate materials and practices, will have significant positive co-benefits statewide; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes that its needs and priorities may change with regard to roads and roadway safety throughout the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 and therefore reserves the right to re-direct RMRA funds to other necessary road maintenance and road rehabilitation projects should the need arise.

NOW, THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, ORDERED AND FOUND by the City Council of the City of Amador City, State of California, as follows:

1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct.
2. The following list of newly proposed projects will be funded in-part or solely with Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account revenues:

Project Title: Crosswalk Markings, Pedestrian and Vehicle Safety
Project Description: Paint Crosswalk Marking Perpendicular to the Street and at the outside edge of an Existing Decorative, Low-Contrast Brick Crosswalk to Enhance Saliency/Visibility and Safety
Project Location: Pedestrian Crosswalk on Main Street/The Bridge from End of Nowhere to Garden and from Old City Hall to The Imperial Hotel
Estimated Project Schedule: Start 07/2026 Completion 11/2026 based on the component being funded with RMRA funds
Estimated Project Useful Life: 5 years

Project Title: Crosswalk Markings, Pedestrian and Vehicle Safety
Project Description: Paint Crosswalk Marking Perpendicular to the Street and at the outside edge of an Existing Decorative, Low-Contrast Brick Crosswalk to Enhance Saliency/Visibility and Safety
Project Location: Pedestrian Crosswalk on Main Street/The Bridge from Old City Hall/Firehouse Building to The Imperial Hotel
Estimated Project Schedule: Start 07/2026 Completion 11/2026 based on the component being funded with RMRA funds
Estimated Project Useful Life: 5 years

3. The following previously proposed and adopted projects (FY 2025-2026), with slight revisions, may also utilize Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account revenues in their delivery. With the relisting of these projects in the adopted fiscal year resolution, Amador City is reaffirming to the public and the State our intent to fund these projects with Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account revenues:

Project Title: Crosswalk Markings, Pedestrian and Vehicle Safety
Project Description: Repaint Crosswalk Markings in Continental Style ("Zebra" style)
Project Location: Pedestrian Crosswalks at the intersection of Main Street/Old Hwy 49 and O'Neil Aly
Estimated Project Schedule: Start 07/2026, Completion 11/2026 based on the component being funded with RMRA funds
Estimated Project Useful Life: 5 years

Project Title: Crosswalk Markings, Pedestrian and Vehicle Safety
Project Description: Repaint Crosswalk Markings in Continental Style ("Zebra" style)
Project Location: Pedestrian Crosswalks at the intersection of Lone Valley Rod (God's Hill) and Main Street/Old Hwy 49
Estimated Project Schedule: Start 07/2026, Completion 11/2026 based on the component being funded with RMRA funds
Estimated Project Useful Life: 5 years

Project Title: Crosswalk Markings, Pedestrian and Vehicle Safety
Project Description: Repaint Crosswalk Markings in Continental Style ("Zebra" style)
Project Location: Pedestrian Crosswalk to Public Parking Lot across Main Street/Old Hwy 49 north of the former Break Even Brew building
Estimated Project Schedule: Start 07/2026, Completion 11/2026 based on the component being funded with RMRA funds
Estimated Project Useful Life: 5 years

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Amador City, State of California this 14th day of July, 2026, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Signed _____
Mayor

Certified By _____
City Clerk

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CITY OF AMADOR CITY

INCORPORATED JUNE 2, 1915

California.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION (*From Sutter Creek*)

The Amador County Fire Safety Council spearheaded a regional effort to develop the County's Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP). The CWPP working group, consisting of staff from Amador municipal, district, and county agencies collaborated for more than seven months to develop the draft CWPP.

At its April 28, 2026 regular meeting, the Amador County Board of Supervisors adopted the CWPP.

The next step after the April 28, 2026 adoption of the CWPP is for each municipal and district agency in the County to approve the CWPP.

What is a CWPP?

A Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) is a locally developed, collaborative roadmap designed to assess wildfire hazards, prioritize fuels reduction, and improve emergency preparedness. Authorized under the federal Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 (HFRA), the CWPP is the primary tool/reference used by communities to manage local wildfire risks.

Why the CWPP is Important

- Saves Lives and Property: It identifies precise high-risk zones, map-crucial evacuation routes, and establishes actionable strategies to protect local neighborhoods.
- Influences Federal Action: It legally empowers local communities to dictate where and how federal agencies (like the U.S. Forest Service) implement fuel reduction projects on surrounding public lands.
- Coordinates Resources: It brings together residents, Fire Safe Councils, city leaders, and CAL FIRE to act as a unified front.

Why All Cities Must Sign the CWPP

Under the HFRA framework, a CWPP cannot be formally adopted or considered valid unless it is mutually agreed upon and signed by three entity groups: the local governments (individual city councils/county supervisors), the local fire departments, and the state forestry agency (CAL FIRE). If a city in Amador County fails to sign it, the plan does not legally apply to their jurisdiction, leaving a dangerous gap in regional safety planning. This not only puts the non-signing city and its residents in a dangerous position especially in times of crisis, but the region as a whole.

What Cities / District Agencies Gain From Signing the CWPP

- Priority Funding Access: Signed plans grant cities first-tier eligibility for massive federal and state grants, such as the Community Wildfire Defense Grant (CWDG) and FEMA funding.
- Expedited Environmental Reviews: The federal government uses alternative, fast-tracked environmental compliance pathways to clear out brush and build fuel breaks faster around cities with an active CWPP.
- Customized Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) Boundaries: Cities gain the legal right to map out their own unique WUI boundaries, ensuring that building standards and vegetation management reflect local geography rather than generic state templates

RESOLUTION NO. 652

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AMADOR
MEMORIALIZING THE APPROVAL OF THE AMADOR COMMUNITY WILDFIRE
PROTECTION PLAN (CWPP)**

WHEREAS, a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) is a locally developed, collaborative roadmap designed to assess wildfire hazards, prioritize fuels reduction, and improve emergency preparedness. Authorized under the federal Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 (HFRA), the CWPP is the primary tool/reference used by communities to manage local wildfire risks; and

WHEREAS, under the HFRA framework, a CWPP cannot be formally adopted or considered valid unless it is mutually agreed upon and signed by three entity groups: the local governments (individual city councils/county supervisors), the local fire departments, and the state forestry agency (CAL FIRE); and

WHEREAS, the City Council acknowledges that if a city or agency in Amador County fails to sign it, the plan does not legally apply to their jurisdiction, leaving a dangerous gap in regional safety planning- [putting the non-signing city and its residents and the region as a whole in a dangerous position especially in times of crisis; and

WHEREAS, the City Council also acknowledges the importance of the CWPP since it saves lives and property, influences federal action, and coordinates resources with all agencies in the County acting as a united front; and

WHEREAS, the Amador County Fire Safety Council spearheaded a regional effort to develop the County's CWPP, starting in September 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Amador County Fire Safety Council formed a CWPP working group, consisting of staff from Amador municipal, district, and county agencies who collaborated for more than seven months to develop the draft CWPP; and

WHEREAS, during the seven-month collaboration of the CWPP working group, a series of town hall meetings were also held to gather public input; and

WHEREAS, at its April 28, 2026 regular meeting, the Amador County Board of Supervisors adopted the CWPP; and

WHEREAS, the next step after the April 28, 2026 adoption of the CWPP is for each municipal and district agency in the County to approve the CWPP.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Amador hereby:

1. Adopts the foregoing Resolution, thereby memorializing the City of Amador's adoption of the Amador CWPP; and
2. Authorizes the Mayor and/or designee City staff to sign documentation related to the approval of the Amador CWPP.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Amador on the **14th day of June 2026** by the following vote.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Sandy Staples, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joyce Davidson, City Clerk

Amador County Community Wildfire Protection Plan

[Date of plan approval or adoption]



note: A print copy is at old city hall
for anyone who desires a look
at the full 173 page draft Report.

Signature Page

The following signatories mutually agree on and approve the final contents of this CWPP:

Amanda Watson Coordinator Amador Fire Safe Council	Executive Director Amador Resource Conservation District	Date
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Susan Peters Board of Directors Amador Fire Safe Council	Date
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David Wood Unit Chief Cal Fire Amador-Eldorado Unit	Date
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Jeff Hoag Assistant Chief, Community Risk Reduction Program Cal Fire Amador-Eldorado Unit	Date
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Dave Fournier Forest Supervisor El Dorado National Forest	Date
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Robert Withrow Fire Chief Amador Fire Protection District	Date
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Matthew Girton Coordinator Amador County Office of Emergency Services	Date
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Patrick Crew District 1 Supervisor Amador County Board Of Supervisors	Date
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Dan Epperson District 2 Supervisor Amador County Board Of Supervisors	Date
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Jeff Brown District 3 Supervisor Amador County Board Of Supervisors	Date
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Logan Carnell District 4 Supervisor Amador County Board Of Supervisors	Date
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Brian Oneto District 5 Supervisor Amador County Board Of Supervisors	Date
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Acknowledgments

The development of this Community Wildfire Protection Plan was made possible through the collaborative efforts of many individuals, agencies, and organizations listed in the Steering Committee and Working Group who contributed time, expertise, and resources throughout the planning process. Contributors provided guidance, technical input, data, local expertise, and feedback during meetings and engagement activities that helped shape the plan's goals, strategies, and recommendations. Additional support was provided through data analysis, mapping, outreach coordination, and documentation efforts.

In addition, community members who participated in the public mapping survey and district meetings provided valuable insight from the community-at-large that helped inform this plan. District meetings would not have been possible without the participation of each member of the Board of Supervisors.

This project was supported by Grant L24AC00434-00 "Rancheria Ridge Fuel Break and County-Wide Planning Project" from the Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of the Interior.

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Cover Photograph

CAL FIRE Amador-El Dorado Unit.

Prescribed burn on the Shake-Omo Vegetation Management Project.

March 2025.

Agenda Item 11



Mayor Sandy Staples
City of Amador
P.O. Box 200
Amador City, CA 95601

June 17, 2026

Mayor Staples,

The current Law Enforcement Services Agreement (LESA) between the County of Amador and Amador City went into effect in 2004. Based upon our recent discussions, both parties appear to mutually agree that this 22-year-old contract should be refreshed.

Section 10 of the LESA allows either party to "terminate the Agreement by giving one year's notice to the other party at any time." To ensure that work towards a successor contract moves forward in a timely and efficient manner, the County wishes to notify the City of our intention to terminate the existing LESA on June 30, 2027. The County would entertain an earlier termination of the existing LESA, or an amendment to the existing LESA, should mutually agreeable terms be reached.

We look forward to discussing this matter with you and your team in the coming weeks.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jarret Benov", is written over a horizontal line.

Jarret Benov
Undersheriff

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**Memo: MICROTRENCHING & ROADWAY REHABILITATION FOR PROPOSED
UNDERGROUND FIBER OPTIC ENCROACHMENT PERMIT**

BACKGROUND (*from Sutter Creek*)

The Central Valley Independent Network (CVIN) operates a 2,500-mile fiber-optic middle-mile infrastructure spanning 23 counties in Northern and Central California. It functions as a critical backbone to bridge the digital divide, providing the infrastructure necessary for economic survival, public safety, and educational equity in historically underserved regions.

1. California Statewide Strategy
 - Statewide Anchor Connections: Partners with CENIC to link K-12 schools, community colleges, universities, and local government nodes.
 - Public Safety & Health: Supports infrastructure for 911 emergency centers and rural telehealth systems.
 - Economic Competitiveness: Offers open-access architecture enabling local ISPs to deliver high-speed, 10 Gbps services to homes, businesses, and cell towers.
2. Rural City Impact
 - Ends Digital Isolation: Bridges the gap left by major commercial providers who bypass low-density populations.
 - Drives Local Industry: Attracts remote workers and empowers agriculture and manufacturing with cloud and monitoring technologies.
 - Prevents Population Decline: Keeps businesses and residents from relocating to major metropolitan areas.
 - Equitable Access: Unlocks remote learning and virtual healthcare for isolated residents.
3. Future Alignment - CVIN aligns with the California Department of Technology's broader initiatives to expand middle-mile infrastructure and advance statewide broadband availability.

The CVIN has been planning to expand the current backbone in Jackson through to the City of Plymouth by installing underground fiber optic facilities from the City of Plymouth to the City of Jackson (see attached vicinity map). CVIN has subcontracted the construction oversight of this project to Volcano Telephone Company. Volcano Telephone had a pre-bid meeting in early March with construction contractors and local representatives from the City of Sutter Creek, City of Amador City and Amador County to field review the project design and go over City and County roadway rehabilitation standards.

To enable future middle mile and premise connections to the most residences, businesses, schools, and our government buildings, we requested the route be modified to go down Old Highway 49. Volcano Telecomm obliged and redesigned to bring the backbone fiber optic on this route.

In mid-April, Volcano representatives requested a meeting with City of Sutter Creek and Amador City representatives to determine if other construction methods and reduced roadway rehabilitation would be acceptable in each City as bids for the project within City limits came in at approximately 3.5 million dollars and were much higher than anticipated. The higher cost is threatening the viability of this strategic project that is core to future economic development plans.



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DISCUSSION:

Volcano Telephone is requesting that the City allow for pavement rehabilitation work to revert back to what they were (a one-foot pavement repair past the excavation limit on all sides). Volcano Telephone estimates that the microtrenching and directional drilling work with the previous roadway rehabilitation standards will save them approximately \$600,000.

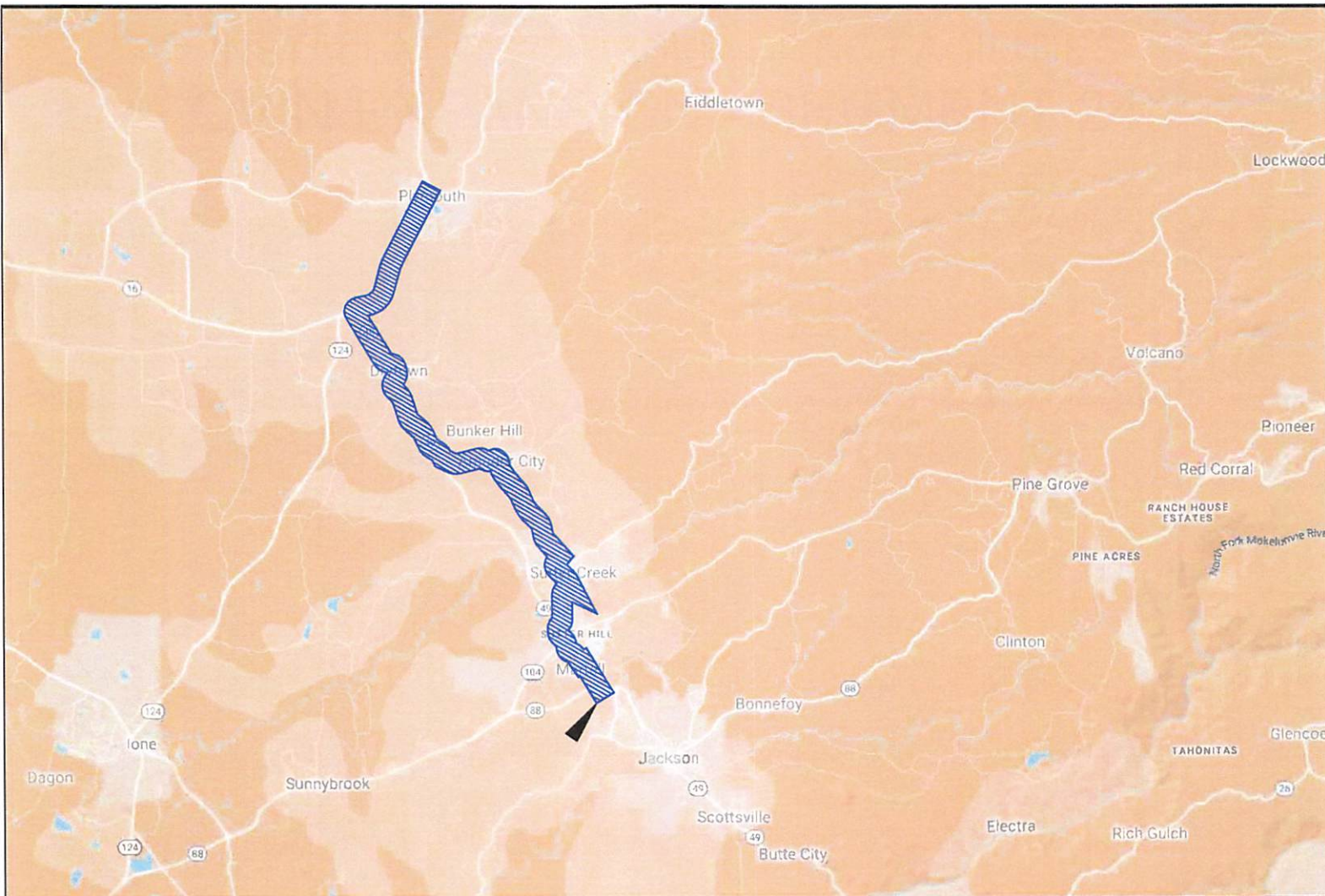
None of the proposed route impacts roads that were recently repaved. We are recommending that Council approve the Microtrenching Exception

BUDGET IMPACT:

N/A. Construction inspection costs by the City Staff would be reimbursed by the applicant.

EXHIBIT 1

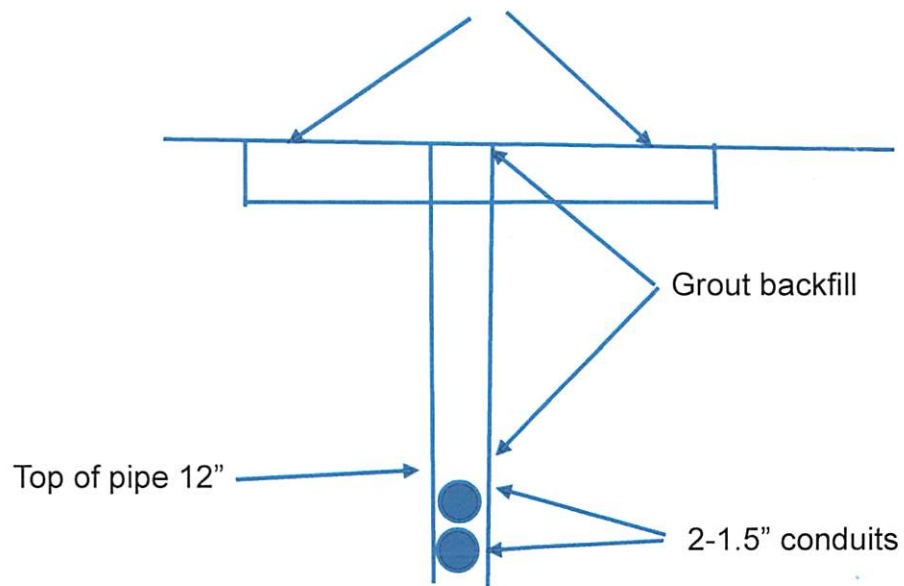
CVIN, LLC
INSTALLATION OF FIBER OPTIC FACILITIES
CVIN EXPANSION - SEGMENT 24

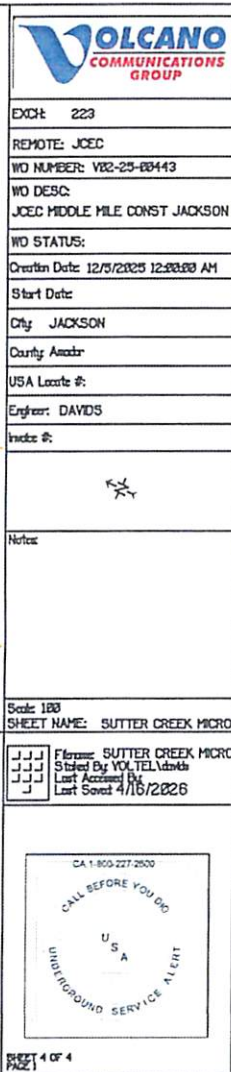


VICINITY MAP

Micro Trench Detail 2" wide

18" Grind and Pave 3" depth





POSTMENT	TYPE	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	2037	2038	2039	2040	2041	2042	2043	2044	2045	2046	2047	2048	2049	2050	2051	2052	2053	2054	2055	2056	2057	2058	2059	2060	2061	2062	2063	2064	2065	2066	2067	2068	2069	2070	2071	2072	2073	2074	2075	2076	2077	2078	2079	2080	2081	2082	2083	2084	2085	2086	2087	2088	2089	2090	2091	2092	2093	2094	2095	2096	2097	2098	2099	2100	2101	2102	2103	2104	2105	2106	2107	2108	2109	2110	2111	2112	2113	2114	2115	2116	2117	2118	2119	2120	2121	2122	2123	2124	2125	2126	2127	2128	2129	2130	2131	2132	2133	2134	2135	2136	2137	2138	2139	2140	2141	2142	2143	2144	2145	2146	2147	2148	2149	2150	2151	2152	2153	2154	2155	2156	2157	2158	2159	2160	2161	2162	2163	2164	2165	2166	2167	2168	2169	2170	2171	2172	2173	2174	2175	2176	2177	2178	2179	2180	2181	2182	2183	2184	2185	2186	2187	2188	2189	2190	2191	2192	2193	2194	2195	2196	2197	2198	2199	2200	2201	2202	2203	2204	2205	2206	2207	2208	2209	2210	2211	2212	2213	2214	2215	2216	2217	2218	2219	2220	2221	2222	2223	2224	2225	2226	2227	2228	2229	2230	2231	2232	2233	2234	2235	2236	2237	2238	2239	2240	2241	2242	2243	2244	2245	2246	2247	2248	2249	2250	2251	2252	2253	2254	2255	2256	2257	2258	2259	2260	2261	2262	2263	2264	2265	2266	2267	2268	2269	2270	2271	2272	2273	2274	2275	2276	2277	2278	2279	2280	2281	2282	2283	2284	2285	2286	2287	2288	2289	2290	2291	2292	2293	2294	2295	2296	2297	2298	2299	2300	2301	2302	2303	2304	2305	2306	2307	2308	2309	2310	2311	2312	2313	2314	2315	2316	2317	2318	2319	2320	2321	2322	2323	2324	2325	2326	2327	2328	2329	2330	2331	2332	2333	2334	2335	2336	2337	2338	2339	2340	2341	2342	2343	2344	2345	2346	2347	2348	2349	2350	2351	2352	2353	2354	2355	2356	2357	2358	2359	2360	2361	2362	2363	2364	2365	2366	2367	2368	2369	2370	2371	2372	2373	2374	2375	2376	2377	2378	2379	2380	2381	2382	2383	2384	2385	2386	2387	2388	2389	2390	2391	2392	2393	2394	2395	2396	2397	2398	2399	2400	2401	2402	2403	2404	2405	2406	2407	2408	2409	2410	2411	2412	2413	2414	2415	2416	2417	2418	2419	2420	2421	2422	2423	2424	2425	2426	2427	2428	2429	2430	2431	2432	2433	2434	2435	2436	2437	2438	2439	2440	2441	2442	2443	2444	2445	2446	2447	2448	2449	2450	2451	2452	2453	2454	2455	2456	2457	2458	2459	2460	2461	2462	2463	2464	2465	2466	2467	2468	2469	2470	2471	2472	2473	2474	2475	2476	2477	2478	2479	2480	2481	2482	2483	2484	2485	2486	2487	2488	2489	2490	2491	2492	2493	2494	2495	2496	2497	2498	2499	2500	2501	2502	2503	2504	2505	2506	2507	2508	2509	2510	2511	2512	2513	2514	2515	2516	2517	2518	2519	2520	2521	2522	2523	2524	2525	2526	2527	2528	2529	2530	2531	2532	2533	2534	2535	2536	2537	2538	2539	2540	2541	2542	2543	2544	2545	2546	2547	2548	2549	2550	2551	2552	2553	2554	2555	2556	2557	2558	2559	2560	2561	2562	2563	2564	2565	2566	2567	2568	2569	2570	2571	2572	2573	2574	2575	2576	2577	2578	2579	2580	2581	2582	2583	2584	2585	2586	2587	2588	2589	2590	2591	2592	2593	2594	2595	2596	2597	2598	2599	2600	2601	2602	2603	2604	2605	2606	2607	2608	2609	2610	2611	2612	2613	2614	2615	2616	2617	2618	2619	2620	2621	2622	2623	2624	2625	2626	2627	2628	2629	2630	2631	2632	2633	2634	2635	2636	2637	2638	2639	2640	2641	2642	2643	2644	2645	2646	2647	2648	2649	2650	2651	2652	2653	2654	2655	2656	2657	2658	2659	2660	2661	2662	2663	2664	2665	2666	2667	2668	2669	2670	2671	2672	2673	2674	2675	2676	2677	2678	2679	2680	2681	2682	2683	2684	2685	2686	2687	2688	2689	2690	2691	2692	2693	2694	2695	2696	2697	2698	2699	2700	2701	2702	2703	2704	2705	2706	2707	2708	2709	2710	2711	2712	2713	2714	2715	2716	2717	2718	2719	2720	2721	2722	2723	2724	2725	2726	2727	2728	2729	2730	2731	2732	2733	2734	2735	2736	2737	2738	2739	2740	2741	2742	2743	2744	2745	2746	2747	2748	2749	2750	2751	2752	2753	2754	2755	2756	2757	2758	2759	2760	2761	2762	2763	2764	2765	2766	2767	2768	2769	2770	2771	2772	2773	2774	2775	2776	2777	2778	2779	2780	2781	2782	2783	2784	2785	2786	2787	2788	2789	2790	2791	2792	2793	2794	2795	2796	2797	2798	2799	2800	2801	2802	2803	2804	2805	2806	2807	2808	2809	2810	2811	2812	2813	2814	2815	2816	2817	2818	2819	2820	2821	2822	2823	2824	2825	2826	2827	2828	2829	2830	2831	2832	2833	2834	2835	2836	2837	2838	2839	2840	2841	2842	2843	2844	2845	2846	2847	2848	2849	2850	2851	2852	2853	2854	2855	2856	2857	2858	2859	2860	2861	2862	2863	2864	2865	2866	2867	2868	2869	2870	2871	2872	2873	2874	2875	2876	2877	2878	2879	2880	2881	2882	2883	2884	2885	2886	2887	2888	2889	2890	2891	2892	2893	2894	2895	2896	2897	2898	2899	2900	2901	2902	2903	2904	2905	2906	2907	2908	2909	2910	2911	2912	2913	2914	2915	2916	2917	2918	2919	2920	2921	2922	2923	2924	2925	2926	2927	2928	2929	2930	2931	2932	2933	2934	2935	2936	2937	2938	2939	2940	2941	2942	2943	2944	2945	2946	2947	2948	2949	2950	2951	2952	2953	2954	2955	2956	2957	2958	2959	2960	2961	2962	2963	2964	2965	2966	2967	2968	2969	2970	2971	2972	2973	2974	2975	2976	2977	2978	2979	2980	2981	2982	2983	2984	2985	2986	2987	2988	2989	2990	2991	2992	2993	2994	2995	2996	2997	2998	2999	3000	3001	3002	3003	3004	3005	3006	3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RESOLUTION 653
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AMADOR ALLOWING
MICROTRENCHING FOR THE CVIN PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed and discussed the exception to roadway standards and has taken comments from the public; and

WHEREAS, the Council does want to preserve and protect the quality of its roadways but recognizes that microtrenching is an acceptable method to install fiber optic cable;

WHEREAS, the Council has determined that enabling a fiber optic backbone to run through downtown is to provide high-speed, robust connectivity for businesses, residents, schools, and government agencies is critical to provide the infrastructure necessary for economic survival, public safety, and educational equality;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby approves allowing the Central Valley Independent Network and their contractors to use a microtrenching construction method.

The foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Amador on the 14th day of July 2026, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

CITY OF SUTTER CREEK

Sandy Staples, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joyce Davidson, City Clerk

Agenda Item 13



Amador City– June 2026 Summary Report

Total Incident: 33

Alarm - 1
Business check - 23
Be on the lookout - 1
Citizen Assist – 1
Code 3 Ambulance - 2
Log Information - 1
Mail/Financial Scam – 1
Motor Vehicle Accident Property Damage Only – 1
Suspicious Circumstances – 1
Welfare Check -1