

City of Hercules

111 Civic Drive
Hercules, CA 94547



Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, May 26, 2026

7:00 PM

REGULAR MEETING - 7:00 P.M

In-Person in Council Chambers or Via Zoom:

Zoom ID: 821 1751 7161 Zoom Passcode: 525829

Zoom Phone Number: 1-669-900-6833

City Council

*Mayor Chris Kelley
Vice Mayor Alex Walker-Griffin
Council Member Dilli Bhattarai
Council Member Tiffany Grimsley
Council Member Dion Bailey*

*Patrick Tang, Interim City Manager
Christie Crawl, City Attorney
Eibleis Melendez, City Clerk*

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I. SPECIAL CLOSED SESSION – NONE

II. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - NO CLOSED SESSION

III. CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION - NO CLOSED SESSION

IV. REGULAR MEETING – CONVENE TO OPEN SESSION - ROLL CALL - 7:00 P.M.

V. A. REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION - NO CLOSED SESSION

B. CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON ANY REQUEST FROM A COUNCIL MEMBER TO PARTICIPATE IN A MEETING REMOTELY DUE TO JUST CAUSE OR EMERGENCY CIRCUMSTANCES PURSUANT TO AB 2449

VI. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

VII. MOMENT OF SILENCE

VIII. INTRODUCTIONS/PRESENTATIONS/COMMISSION REPORTS

1. [26-139](#) Introduction of Public Works Superintendent, Chris Morris

IX. AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS

X. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

This time is reserved for members of the public to address issues not included in the agenda. In accordance with the Brown Act, Council will refer to staff any matters brought before them at this time, and those matters may be placed on a future agenda.

Individuals wishing to address the City Council are asked to complete a form indicating the name and address of the speaker and the general topic to be addressed. Speakers must make their comments from the podium and will be allowed 3 minutes to discuss their concerns. All public comments are recorded and become part of the public record. A limit of 30 minutes will be devoted to taking public comment at this point in the agenda. If any speakers remain at the conclusion of the initial 30 minute period, time will be reserved at the conclusion of the meeting to take the remaining comments.

XI. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. [26-129](#) **Approval of an Addendum to the Hercules New Town Center Environmental Impact Report, Design Review Permit (DRP) 25-04, Vesting Tentative Map (VTM) 25-02, and Planned Development Plan (PDP) 25-02 for the Emblem Hercules Apartments - 1601 Willow Avenue (The Loop Site) Assessor Parcel Number (APN) 406-070-042-6**

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council hold a public hearing, receive the staff report and presentation, receive comments from the public and interested parties and adopt a Resolution (Attachment 1) finding that the Addendum to the Hercules New Town Center Environmental Impact Report (State Clearing House No. 2007062002) has been prepared in compliance with CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines and reflects the independent judgment of the City of Hercules as Lead Agency, and approving Design Review Permit (DRP) 25-04, Vesting Tentative Map (VTM) 25-02, and Planned Development Plan (PDP) 25-02 for a 180-apartment unit housing development.

Attachments:[Staff report](#)[Attach 1 - Resolution](#)[Exhibit A - Emblem Hercules Project Conditions of Approval](#)[Exhibit B - Development Plans dated 2.13.2026](#)[Exhibit C - Addendum to the Hercules New Town Center EIR \(State Clearing House No. 2007](#)[Appendix A Emblem MMRP Applicability Matrix](#)[Appendix B1 Biological Survey](#)[Appendix B2 Biological Assessment Report](#)[Appendix B3 Wetland Delineation](#)[Appendix C Phase 1 ESA](#)[Appendix D Preliminary Geotechnical Investigation](#)[Appendix E Preliminary Noise and HVAC Study](#)[Appendix F - Emblem Hercules Residential Development Transportation Study](#)[Attach 2 - Planning Commission Resolution No. 26-01](#)[Presentation - City of Hercules](#)[Presentation - Applicant](#)

2. [26-130](#) **Compliance with Assembly Bill 2561 (Government Code Section 3502.3): Public Agency Vacancies, and Recruitment and Retention Efforts**

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file the staff report and presentation regarding workforce vacancies, and recruitment and retention efforts in accordance with Government Code Section 3502.3

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
 [Presentation](#)

XII. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. [26-136](#) **Meeting Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 12, 2026**

Attachments: [Meeting Minutes for the Regular Meeting on May 12, 2026](#)

2. [26-135](#) **Update on the Chief's Advisory Board (CAB)**

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive an update on the Chief's Advisory Board (CAB)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

XIII. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS

1. [26-128](#) **Housing Asset Funding Recommendation to Community HousingWorks for Bayline**

RECOMMENDATION:

By minute action, direct staff to enter into negotiations with Community HousingWorks for the award of \$5,000,000 in Housing Asset Funding to support affordable housing development.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
 [Attach 1 - RSG Memo](#)
 [Presentation](#)

2. [26-125](#) **Approve participation in the Contra Costa County Regional Alternative Compliance Joint Powers Authority to perform city stormwater obligation and authorize execution of the Joint Powers Agreement**

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Adopt the attached Resolution approving and authorizing execution of the Joint Powers Agreement for the City's participation in the Regional Alternative Compliance Joint Powers Authority.
2. Appoint a Board Member to the RAC JPA and an Alternate.
3. Authorize staff to collaborate with the Regional Alternative Compliance Joint Powers Authority Administrator to support Regional Alternative Compliance System implementation.
4. Direct staff to revise the City's stormwater ordinance to incorporate participation in the Regional Alternative Compliance System as an approved alternative compliance for meeting applicable stormwater treatment requirements.
5. Authorize staff to assign funds already allocated in the fiscal year (FY) 2026-27 Capital Improvement Plan and FY 2026-27 Capital Budget to the Green Infrastructure Project - Public ROW Bioretention for use in RAC JPA participation and purchase of Green Stormwater Infrastructure credits.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Attach 1 - Resolution](#)
[Attach 2 - RAC JPA Joint Powers Agreement](#)

3. [26-123](#) **Military Equipment Use and Acquisition**

RECOMMENDATION:

By minute order, (1) accept the annual military equipment report, (2) determine that the Police Department's use of military equipment for the past year complied with the Department's Policy 706 and the requirements of state law, and (3) renew Policy 706 and Ordinance No. 547 (Military Equipment) and confirm that both will remain in effect without change.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Attach 1 - Military Equipment Policy 706](#)
[Attach 2 - Annual Military Equipment Report 2025](#)
[Attach 3 - AB 481](#)
[Attach 4 - Ord. 547- Military Equipment Presentation](#)

XIV. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

This time is reserved for members of the public who were unavailable to attend the Public Communications period during Section X of the meeting, or were unable to speak due to lack of time. The public speaker requirements specified in Section X of this Agenda apply to this Section.

XV. CITY COUNCIL/CITY MANAGER/CITY ATTORNEY ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMMITTEE, SUB-COMMITTEE AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE REPORTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

This is the time for brief announcements on issues of interest to the community. In accordance with the provisions of the Brown Act, matters which do not appear on this agenda but require City Council discussion may be either (a) referred to staff or other resources for factual information or (b) placed on a future meeting agenda.

1. Regional Committee

- a. Contra Costa Mayors Conference
- b. Hercules/ Pinole - WasteWater Management
- c. League of Cities
- d. Water Emerg. Transportation Authority
- e. WCCIWMA
- f. WCCTAC
- g. West Co. Mayors & Supervisors Assoc. Meeting
- h. WestCat
- I. MCE
- j. CCTA
- k. East Bay Wildfire Coalition of Governments

2. City Council Committees and Subcommittees

- a. Econ. Dev. Subcommittee
- b. Traffic and Public Safety Committee
- c. East Bay Economic Development Alliance

3. Commission Liaisons

- a. Community & Library Services Commission
- b. Finance Commission
- c. Planning Commisison

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

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(Posted: May 21, 2026)

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Anyone who wishes to address the Council on a topic that is not on the agenda and is relevant to the Council should complete the speaker form prior to the start of the meeting. Speakers will be called upon during the Public Communication portion of the meeting. In accordance with the Brown Act, the City Council may not take action on items not listed on the agenda. The Council may refer to staff any matters brought before them at this time and those matters may be placed on a future agenda.

In the interests of conducting an orderly and efficient meeting, speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes. Anyone may also submit written comments at any time before or during the meeting.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR: All matters listed under Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by a member of the Council or a member of the public prior to the time the City Council votes on the motion to adopt.
6. LEGAL CHALLENGES: If you challenge a decision of the City Council in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the meeting or in written correspondence delivered at, or prior to, the meeting. Actions challenging City Council decisions shall be subject to the time limitations contained in Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6.