



Gualala Municipal Advisory Council

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Regular Meeting Summary Minutes DRAFT

Thursday, May 7, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Coast Life Support District Building; 38901 Ocean Drive, Gualala, CA, 95445

A verbatim recording of this meeting is available from the Gualala Municipal Advisory Council website at this Internet address:

https://youtu.be/pP90aETEt7q?si=6hxKP9kBecEy6G_x

1. Call to Order and Introductions

- The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m.
- Council members present: Kevin Evans, Robert Juengling, Dave Shpak, Dan Lewis, Henry Mayer, Nicole Everett. Council members Finley and Hayward were absent.
- Mendocino County personnel present: Director Howard Dashiell, Deputy Director Alicia Winokur, Sheriff Lieutenant Brandon Lee, Sheriff Sergeant Brandon Juntz.

2. Agenda Approval

- Secretary Shpak proposed a correction and three additions to the posted draft agenda.
- Motion and second to approve as amended: Juengling, Mayer. Vote: Ayes unanimous.

3. Approval of Minutes

- Motion and second to approve April 1, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes: Mayer, Lewis. Vote: 5 Ayes, 1 Abstain (Shpak, due to absence on 4/1/26).

4. Correspondence

- Correspondence as reported on the approved agenda.

5. Mendocino County Sheriff or Code Enforcement Report

- Sheriff Lieutenant Lee summarized recent south coast actions and investigations.
- Sheriff Lt. Lee introduced Sheriff Sergeant Juntz, who has been assigned to coastal operations.

6. Presentation: Mendocino County Department of Transportation on the County Road Maintenance Plan and Coastal Road Safety Review

- Director Howard Dashiell mentioned the upcoming coastal roads traffic safety review.
- Director Dashiell summarized the history and prospects of vehicle speed limit setting on Old Stage Road proximate to Bower Community Park.
- Director Dashiell and Deputy Director Alicia Winokur described the county road maintenance program, defined by the 20-year plan adopted on 1/18/19. The directors summarized maintenance criteria and priorities, implementation strategies and costs, and fiscal constraints.

- Directors Dashiell and Winokur summarized the results of the recent sales tax survey, presented to the Board of Supervisors on 3/7/26, and potential enhancement of the county road maintenance program that could be funded by a 1% increase in the county sales tax.

7. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

- None.

8. Public Agency Referrals

- None.

9. Old Business - Discussion or Action

- None.

10. New Business - Discussion or Action

10.1. Magdalena Homes Planning in Gualala

- Council member Shpak read a statement on behalf of Mr. Felipe Camacho.
- Chair Evans directed Secretary Shpak to remove this standing update item from the GMAC agenda, since Magdalena had ended work on the Gualala housing project.

11. Committee Reports

11.1. Bower Park Renovation

- Council member Mayer summarized project status reported via correspondence with the Mendocino County Project Manager.

11.2. Caltrans SR1 Gualala Downtown Enhancement Project

- Council member Juengling self-recused and left the GMAC table.
- Council member Shpak conveyed progress reported by Ms. Katie Everett, the Caltrans District 1 Project Manager.
- Chair Evans directed council member Shpak to remind Ms. Everett of GMAC interest in supporting public outreach during project construction.
- Council member Juengling returned to the GMAC table after conclusion of agenda item.

11.3. Local Coastal Program and Town Plan Update

- Council member Shpak summarized presentations to the Mendocino County Planning Commission that morning on the Visual Resources Analysis and Cultural Resources Analysis reports, and the 7th cycle Housing Element update. Council member Shpak also referred to a Mendo Voice article about the sea level rise threat study by the county.
- Council member Shpak asked council member Mayer to post links to the Planning Commission LCP update presentations on the GMAC website.

11.4. Economic Development

- Council members Juengling and Evans did not have an update.
- Chair Evans appointed council member Everett to the Economic Development Committee.

11.5. Website, Social Media, Telecommunications, Community Broadband Access

- Council member Mayer mentioned that the room monitor speakers used for the GMAC meeting belong to Don Hess. He expressed interest in completing the GMAC-owned meeting equipment by purchasing replacement speakers.
- Chair Evans directed council member Mayer to obtain three retail price quotes for monitor speakers and present a recommended purchase at the next GMAC meeting.

12. Treasurer Report

- Treasurer Lewis summarized the GMAC budget status.
- Council member Evans stated his expectation of a reduced budget after Mendocino County PBS deletes the GMAC CDP referral fee, starting in the next fiscal year.

13. Councilmember Comments, New Business for Future Agenda

- Council member Lewis reported planned absence from the June 4 GMAC meeting.
- Council member Mayer reported planned absence from the July 2 GMAC meeting.
- Chair Evans directed Secretary Shpak to include discussion of the regular GMAC meeting scheduled for July 2 on the agenda for the June 4 regular meeting.

14. Adjournment

- Motion and second to adjourn: Juengling, Mayer. Vote: Ayes unanimous.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.