

**BENICIA CITY COUNCIL
CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

**April 21, 2026
6:00 PM**

**Benicia City Hall, Council Chambers
250 East L Street, Benicia, CA 94510**

COURTESY ZOOM PARTICIPATION

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1. CALL TO ORDER (6:00 P.M.)

2. CONVENE OPEN SESSION

3. ROLL CALL

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

5. REFERENCE TO THE FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS OF THE PUBLIC

The fundamental rights of each member of the public can be found in the municipal code posted on the City's website and on a plaque that is posted at the entrance to this meeting per section 4.04.030 of the City of Benicia's Open Government Ordinance.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

6.A MAYOR'S OFFICE HOURS

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Mayor Young maintains an open office on the first and third Mondays of the month (except holidays) in the Mayor's office of City Hall from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. No appointment is necessary. Other meeting times may be scheduled through City Hall by calling 707-746-4200.

7. PROCLAMATIONS

7.A PROCLAMATION - NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK APRIL 19-25, 2026
[Proclamation - National Volunteer Week](#)

8. APPOINTMENTS

9. PRESENTATIONS

9.A PRESENTATION - COMMUNITY UPDATE - PLAYGROUND OF DREAMS SWING PROJECT (Presenter: Dan Smith)

10. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

11. **OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS**

How to Submit Public Comments for this City Council meeting:

Besides appearing in person and offering public comments, members of the public may provide public comment via Zoom, or to the City Clerk by email at lwolfe@ci.benicia.ca.us. Any comment submitted to the City Clerk should indicate to which item of the agenda the comment relates to. Specific information follows:

- Comments received by 2:00 pm on the day of the meeting will be electronically forwarded to the City Council and posted on the City's website.

12. **WRITTEN COMMENT**

13. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

14. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Items listed on the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted, approved or adopted by one motion unless a request for removal or explanation is received from a Council Member, Staff or member of the public. Items removed from the Consent Calendar shall be considered immediately following the adoption of the Consent Calendar.

14.A **ACCEPTANCE OF THE VALERO FLOW METER REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt a resolution (Attachment 1), accepting the contract change orders (Exhibit A), accepting the modified Project as complete, authorizing the City Manager to sign the Notice of Completion (Attachment 2) and authorizing the City Clerk to file said notice with the Solano County Recorder.

[Staff Report - Acceptance of Valero Flow Meter Replacement Project](#)

- [1. Resolution - Acceptance of Valero Flow Meter Replacement Project](#)
- [2. Notice of Completion](#)

14.B **AWARD CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AND APPROVE A NOTICE OF EXEMPTION UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT FOR THE 2026 CITYWIDE CURB RAMP IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt a resolution (Attachment 1) accepting the bids for the Project, awarding the construction contract to Sposeto Engineering, Inc. of Livermore, CA, in the amount of \$190,905.00, authorizing the City Manager and Finance Director to sign the contract (Attachment 2) on behalf of the City, authorizing the Project Manager to sign Contract Change Orders up to the 15% Contingency and approving a Notice of Exemption (Attachment 3) under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.

[Staff Report - Award of Contract for 2026 Citywide Curb Ramp Improvements Project](#)

- [1. Resolution - 2026 Citywide Curbramp Improvements Project](#)
- [2. Agreement - Agreement with Sposeto Engineering, Inc.](#)
- [3. Notice of Exemption - 2026 Citywide Curb Ramp Improvements Project](#)

14.C **APPROVING A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO COVER EXPENSES RELATED TO THE LIBRARY ART GALLERY IN THE CURRENT AND UPCOMING FISCAL**

YEAR

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Move to adopt a resolution (Attachment 1) approving a budget amendment to cover expenses related to the library art gallery for fiscal year 25/26 and fiscal year 26/27 and authorizing the Finance Director to make the necessary budget amendment.

[Staff Report - Budget Amendment to Cover Expenses Related to the Library Art Gallery for Fiscal Year 2526 and Fiscal Year 2627](#)

[1. Resolution - Budget Amendment to Cover Expenses Related to the Library Art Gallery for Fiscal Year 2526 and Fiscal Year 2627](#)

14.D APPROVAL TO WAIVE THE READING OF ALL ORDINANCES INTRODUCED OR ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THIS AGENDA

15. BUSINESS ITEMS

15.A BAY AREA AIR DISTRICT REPAIR (REINVESTING PENALTIES FOR AIR IMPROVEMENT AND RESILIENCE) CATALYST GRANT APPLICATION

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends that Council: 1. Receive the presentation on the Bay Area Air District Local Community Benefits Fund grant opportunities and provide direction on the City's Opportunity Grant application prior to submittal. 2. Adopt the Resolution (Attachment 1) to authorize the submission of the City's Catalyst Grant Application.

[Staff Report - Bay Area Air District REPAIR Catalyst and Opportunity Grants](#)

[1. Resolution - Authorize Bay Area Air District REPAIR Catalyst Grant Application](#)

16. CITY COUNCIL TASK FORCE GROUPS: ADVOCACY, COLLABORATION AND TRANSITION (ACT)

16.A AD HOC "ACT" TASK FORCE GROUPS UPDATES

[Ad Hoc "ACT" Task Force Groups Updates](#)

17. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS

(Council Members serve on various internal and external committees on behalf of the City. Links to current agendas, minutes and meeting schedules, as available, from these various committees are included in the agenda packet. Oral reports by the Council Members are made only by exception.)

17.A COUNCIL MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS

[Council Member Committee Reports](#)

18. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR CLOSED SESSION

Public comments on the closed session items must be made in person, they will not be accepted via Zoom.

19. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

19.A CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to

paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: (1 potential case)

20. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

21. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CLOSED SESSION, IF ANY

22. ADJOURNMENT (8:30 P.M.)

Public Participation

The City of Benicia welcomes your interest and involvement in the City's legislative process. Persons wishing to address the Council, Board, Commission or Committee (CBCC) are asked to voluntarily complete a speaker request form, available at the entrance of Council Chambers, and submit it to the meeting Secretary/City Clerk. Speakers, addressing the CBCC at the time the item is considered, are requested to restrict their comments to the item as it appears on the agenda and stay within the three-minute time limit. The Brown Act does not permit the CBCC to take action on items brought up during the Public Comment period.

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Meeting Procedures

Pursuant to Government Code Section 65009, if you challenge a decision of the CBCC in court, you may be limited to the issues raised during the meeting or in written correspondence delivered to the CBCC by the meeting. You may also be limited to a ninety (90) day statute of limitations when challenging certain administrative decisions, including any final decisions regarding planning or zoning.

The decision of the CBCC is final as of the date of its decision unless judicial review is initiated pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.5. Any such petition for judicial review is subject to the provisions of Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6

Public Records and Writings Received After Agenda Posting

A printed version of the agenda packet for this meeting is available at the Benicia Public Library during regular working hours. To the extent feasible, the agenda packet and any writing or documents related to an agenda item for this meeting provided to the CBCC, will be made available for public inspection on the City's web page at www.ci.benicia.ca.us under the heading "Agendas and Minutes." A complete recording of each meeting is available online at www.ci.benicia.ca.us/agendas.

Contact Your Council Members

Voicemail for Mayor and Council Members: (707) 746-4213

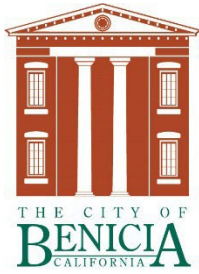
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PROCLAMATION

IN RECOGNITION OF

National Volunteer Week April 19-25, 2026

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Week, established in 1974 by President Richard Nixon, is celebrated annually during the third or fourth week of April, to promote volunteerism and to acknowledge, recognize, and honor the selfless hard work and dedication of volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the Benicia Police Department wishes to honor their “Volunteers in Police Service”, established in 1995, which includes, Senior Patrol, Chaplains, Cadets, and Clerical Support, all of whom provide valuable assistance to the Police Department and the City of Benicia; and

WHEREAS, the Benicia Fire Department wishes to honor the Benicia Amateur Radio Club, Reserve Firefighters, and those who serve in administrative capacities, for the valuable volunteer services they provide; and

WHEREAS, the Benicia Public Library wishes to honor their volunteers in the Friends of the Library, Lawyer on the Line, Literacy & English as a Second Language Program, and the Adult and Teen programs, which enhance and expand City library services; and

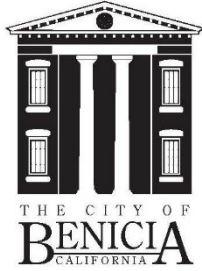
WHEREAS, the Parks and Community Services Department wishes to honor the After School Staff Drivers, Community Clean Up Teams, Parent Greeters, and volunteers for Senior Center programs, and Special Events; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to honor all volunteers working on Boards, Commissions, and Committees, for their steadfast commitment in advising important policy matters and providing recommendations to City Council; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Steve Young, Mayor of the City of Benicia, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim April 19-25, 2026, as National Volunteer Week. I urge my fellow citizens to volunteer and recognize others who serve. Volunteering promotes fellowship and unity, as well as increasing community awareness. Please join us in “Celebrating People in Action” in our community.

Steve Young, Mayor
April 21, 2026





**AGENDA ITEM
CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE – APRIL 21, 2026
CONSENT CALENDAR**

TO : City Manager

FROM : Public Works Director

SUBJECT : **ACCEPTANCE OF THE VALERO FLOW METER REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Valero Flow Meter Replacement Project, Project No. 17-26, Munis Project No. 820028, has been modified. Due to Valero’s approaching departure, and other factors, this Project is not moving forward. City Council’s acceptance of a modified Project, including filing of a Notice of Completion, is requested in order to close out the Project and release the 5% retention payment to the contractor for the work performed to date.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution (Attachment 1), accepting the contract change orders (Exhibit A), accepting the modified Project as complete, authorizing the City Manager to sign the Notice of Completion (Attachment 2) and authorizing the City Clerk to file said notice with the Solano County Recorder.

BUDGET INFORMATION:

The original construction budget was \$497,082, adopted via Resolution No. 23-150 on December 5, 2023. The final, modified construction cost, including three change orders, is \$121,399.89. Sufficient budget for this Project is available for the closeout from Account No. 7608021-7435 (Major Water Capital – Infrastructure.)

| Construction Costs | |
|--|---------------------|
| Original Construction Cost (Paulson Cox) | \$497,082.00 |
| Change Order 1 | \$0.00 |
| Change Order 2 | \$3,899.89 |
| Change Order 3 | -\$379,582.00 |
| Modified Construction Total | \$121,399.89 |

BACKGROUND:

The City currently provides Valero with untreated water through a pipeline from the raw water system between the Water Treatment Plant and the Lake Herman Pump Station. The current meter is located on the Valero property, with limited easement access and

an antiquated pipe manifold, half within the City easement and half within the Valero property. The site is difficult to access, and the meter and pipes are aged and at the end of their designed and useful life.

Stantec Engineering Services, Inc. provided the design engineering for a new meter near the Lake Herman Pump Station. The new meter would have used magnetic induction to measure flow, thereby improving accuracy. Additionally, locating the meter at the Lake Herman Pump Station would have enabled staff to easily maintain the meter without obstructing operations at Valero. City staff coordinated with Valero on the Project.

City Council awarded the construction contract to Paulson Cox Construction, Inc. on December 5, 2023, via Resolution No. 23-150. The Project started in early 2024, and Paulson Cox Construction, Inc. began mobilization operations, processed submittals, and supplied the flow meter and valves. The meter was never installed.

The City of Benicia and Paulson Cox Construction, Inc. mutually agreed to postpone the Project in 2024 to coordinate the Project construction with Valero’s maintenance shutdown. Subsequently, the City elected not to resume the Project due to Valero’s public announcement that it would cease operations in 2026.

Staff recommends that City Council accept the modified Project as complete to close out the Project and release the 5% retention payment to the contractor.

NEXT STEPS:

If the Council adopts the resolution, the City Manager will sign the Notice of Completion, which the City Clerk will file with the Solano County Recorder.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS:

None.

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| CEQA Analysis | This Project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per Section 15302, which exempts the replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no capacity expansion. |
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ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution - Valero Flow Meter Replacement Project
Exhibit A – Summary of the Contract Change Orders
2. Notice of Completion

For more information, contact Danielle Martinez, Public Works Director
Phone: 707-746-4240
E-mail: pw@ci.benicia.ca.us

RESOLUTION NO. 26-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BENICIA ACCEPTING THE VALERO FLOW METER REPLACEMENT PROJECT AS COMPLETE, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION, AUTHORIZING THE CITY CLERK TO FILE SAME WITH THE SOLANO COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE

WHEREAS, on December 5, 2023, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 23-150 awarding the construction contract for the Valero Flow Meter Replacement Project to Paulson Cox Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$497,082; and

WHEREAS, the City and Paulson Cox Construction, Inc. mutually agreed to postpone the Project to coordinate the Project construction with Valero's maintenance shutdown. Subsequently, the City elected to not resume the Project due to Valero's public announcement to cease operations in 2026; and

WHEREAS, the final, modified construction cost is shown in the table below; and

| Construction Costs | |
|--|---------------------|
| Original Construction Cost (Paulson Cox) | \$497,082.00 |
| Change Order 1 | \$0.00 |
| Change Order 2 | \$3,899.89 |
| Change Order 3 | -\$379,582.00 |
| Modified Construction Total | \$121,399.89 |

WHEREAS, a summary of the Project change orders is attached as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, as modified by the Change Orders referenced above, Paulson Cox Construction, Inc. has completed the work in accordance with the plans and specifications and to the satisfaction of the City Engineer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council of the City of Benicia does hereby accept the Valero Flow Meter Replacement Project, Project No. 17-26, as complete, for a total modified construction cost of \$121,399.89.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is hereby authorized to sign the Notice of Completion, and the City Clerk is authorized to file said Notice with the Solano County Recorder and then the 5% retention payment can be released to the contractor.

On motion of Council Member _____, seconded by Council Member _____, the above Resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Benicia at a regular meeting of said Council held on the 21st day of April 2026 by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

Steve Young, Mayor

Attest:

Lisa Wolfe, City Clerk

Date

Exhibit A
Summary of the Contract Change Order
[see next page]

EXHIBIT A—SUMMARY OF THE CONTRACT CHANGE ORDERS

| Contract Change Order No. | Description | Amount |
|----------------------------------|--|---------------|
| 1 | Eliminated need for builder's risk insurance | No Cost |
| 2 | Storage and handling of flow meter | \$3,899.89 |
| 3 | Balancing Change Order (partial scope reduction, work deleted) | \$-379,582.00 |
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Recorded at the request of:
CITY OF BENICIA

After recording return to:
CITY OF BENICIA
ATTN: CITY CLERK'S OFFICE
250 EAST L STREET
BENICIA, CA 94510

NOTICE OF COMPLETION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT:

1. The City of Benicia, 250 East L Street, Benicia, CA, 94510, is the owner of the construction project described as:

**Valero Flow Meter Replacement Project, completed in the city of Benicia,
County of Solano, State of California**

Nature of title as stated owner: In Fee.

2. A Capital Improvements Project known as the Valero Flow Meter Replacement Project located in Benicia, CA 94510 was completed in the amount of \$121,399.89 and accepted by the City Council of the City of Benicia on April 21, 2026.
3. The name of the contractor for the improvement is **Paulson Cox Construction, Inc., Concord, CA.**

CITY OF BENICIA

Dated: _____

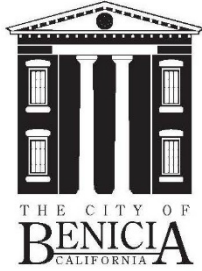
By: _____
Mario Giuliani, City Manager

Attest:

Lisa Wolfe, City Clerk

The undersigned, being duly sworn, says: that she is the person signing the above document; that she has read the same and knows the contents thereof, and that the facts stated therein are true, under penalty of perjury.

Lisa Wolfe, City Clerk



**AGENDA ITEM
CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE – APRIL 21, 2026
CONSENT CALENDAR**

TO : City Manager

FROM : Public Works Director

SUBJECT : **AWARD CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AND APPROVE A NOTICE OF EXEMPTION UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT FOR THE 2026 CITYWIDE CURB RAMP IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The 2026 Citywide Curb Ramp Improvements Project (Project) will consist of replacing 10 curb ramps and three driveways, hot mix asphalt, signing and striping at the various areas in town.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution (Attachment 1) accepting the bids for the Project, awarding the construction contract to Sposeto Engineering, Inc. of Livermore, CA, in the amount of \$190,905.00, authorizing the City Manager and Finance Director to sign the contract (Attachment 2) on behalf of the City, authorizing the Project Manager to sign Contract Change Orders up to the 15% Contingency and approving a Notice of Exemption (Attachment 3) under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.

BUDGET INFORMATION:

The total cost of the Project is \$219,540.75, which includes construction and 15% contingency in the amount of \$28,635.75. Portions of this Project are being funded by a \$18,669 Transportation Funds for Clean Air (TFCA) grant, a \$65,000 TFCA grant, and a \$30,000 Safe Routes to School microgrant. All three grants are received on a reimbursement basis through the Solano Transportation Authority. Sufficient funds are available to cover the remaining balance not funded by grants in the amount of \$105,871.75 of the Project in Account 3118095-7403, Project No. 811005 (RMRA).

BACKGROUND:

The Project consists of 10 curb ramps and three driveways, hot mix asphalt, signing and striping at the intersection of Military West and West 10th Street (Site 1), intersection of Corrigan Court and Drolette Way (Site 2), intersection of Claverie Way and West J Street (Site 3), intersection of West 5th Street and West J Street, (Site 4), intersection of West 5th Street and West I Street alley (Site 5), intersection of Marina Place and West 4th Street (Site 6), and intersection of First Street and Peggy Martin Lane (Site 7). The Project is scheduled to begin in May 2026, and conclude by August 2026.

On March 26, 2026, a total of eight (8) responsive bids were received for the Project with the results summarized in the table below:

Bid Results:

| RANK | BIDDER’S NAME AND ADDRESS | Total BID |
|-------------|--|---------------------|
| *1 | Sposeto Engineering, Inc. | \$190,905.00 |
| 2 | FBD Vanguard Construction, Inc. | \$194,112.00 |
| 3 | Monderscapes Innovations | \$195,061.00 |
| 4 | Lister Construction, Inc. | \$217,821.50 |
| 5 | FJ&I Engineering, Inc. | \$228,235.00 |
| 6 | RNR Paving, Inc. | \$239,347.20 |
| 7 | Kerex Engineering, Inc. | \$258,900.00 |
| 8 | Zara Construction, Inc. | \$272,792.00 |

The bids are based on the quantities estimated by the City Engineer. The final contract amount may be adjusted once final material quantities are determined upon completion of work.

The Project is a precursor to the 2026 Citywide Pavement Rehabilitation Project scheduled for construction later this year. The curb ramp work at Site 2 must be complete first.

In accordance with the contract specifications, the construction contract must be awarded to the bidder submitting the lowest responsive responsible total base bid, which is Sposeto Engineering, Inc.

Staff recommends that the construction contract be awarded to Sposeto Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$190,905.00.

CEQA Exemption

Article 19 of the State CEQA Guidelines includes, as required by Public Resources Code Section 21084, a list of classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and, as a result, are exempt from review under CEQA. This Project demonstrates that the proposed Project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption as an Existing Facility (Class 1), consistent with the provisions of State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301(c) and provides information for the City as the Lead Agency regarding a finding that the proposed Project is exempt under CEQA.

NEXT STEPS:

Staff recommends awarding this contract to Sposeto Engineering, Inc. The Project is anticipated to begin in May 2026 and is scheduled to be completed in 50 working days.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS:

Council could choose to not award this contract, which would prevent the completion of the Project.

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| CEQA Analysis | This project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per Section 15301 (c), which exempts the operation, repair, maintenance of existing roadways, permitting, licensing, or minor alteration of existing facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency’s determination. |
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ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution – 2026 Citywide Curb Ramp Improvements Project
2. Agreement with Sposeto Engineering, Inc.
3. Notice of Exemption – Citywide Curb Ramp Improvements Project

For more information contact: Danielle Martinez, Public Works Director

Phone: 707-746-4240

E-mail: PW@ci.benicia.ca.us

RESOLUTION NO. 26-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BENICIA ACCEPTING THE BIDS FOR THE 2026 CITYWIDE CURB RAMP IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, AWARDING THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO SPOSETO ENGINEERING, INC. OF LIVERMORE, CA, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND FINANCE DIRECTOR TO SIGN THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, AUTHORIZING THE PROJECT MANAGER TO SIGN CONTRACT CHANGE ORDERS UP TO THE 15% CONTINGENCY AND APPROVING A NOTICE OF EXEMPTION UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT GUIDELINES

WHEREAS, on March 3, 2026, the Public Works Department made the construction plans and specifications for the Citywide Curb Ramp Improvements Project (Project) available for public bidding and advertised for construction bids and eight (8) sealed bids were properly received and opened on March 26, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Sposeto Engineering, Inc. of Livermore, CA was the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, the construction cost of the Project is \$219,540.75, which includes the bid amount of \$190,905.00 and 15% construction contingency of \$28,635.75; and

WHEREAS, portions of this Project are being funded by a \$18,669 Transportation Funds for Clean Air (TFCA) grant, a \$65,000 TFCA grant, and a \$30,000 Safe Routes to School microgrant through the Solano Transportation Authority; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds are available to cover the remaining balance not funded by grants of \$105,871.75 of the Project in Account 3118095-7403, Project No. 811005; and

WHEREAS, this Project is categorically exempt under CEQA pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the CEQA guidelines.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council of the City of Benicia hereby approves the construction plans and specifications and accepts the bids and awards the construction contract in the amount of \$190,905.00 to Sposeto Engineering, Inc. of Livermore, CA for the 2026 Citywide Curb Ramp Improvements Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City Manager and Finance Director are hereby authorized to sign the construction contract on behalf of the City, subject to approval by the City Attorney and the Project Manager to sign contract change orders up to the construction contingency amount and approving a Notice of Exemption (NOE) under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.

On motion of Council Member _____, seconded by Council Member _____, the above Resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Benicia at a regular meeting of said Council held on the 21st day of April 2026 by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

Steve Young, Mayor

Attest:

Lisa Wolfe, City Clerk

Date

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AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, dated this [date] day of [Month], 20__, by and between **Sposeto Engineering Inc.** whose place of business is located at **4558 Contractors Place, Livermore, CA 94551 (Contractor)**, and **CITY OF BENICIA**, a political subdivision of the State of California (**Owner**), acting under and by virtue of the authority vested in Owner by the laws of the State of California.

WHEREAS, Owner, by its Resolution No. [Insert Number] adopted on the **21st day of April, 2026** awarded to Contractor the following Contract:

**2026 CITYWIDE CURB RAMP PROJECT
AT CITY OF BENICIA**

CITY PROJECT NUMBER 24-10

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants hereinafter set forth, Contractor and Owner agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 SCOPE OF WORK OF THE CONTRACT

1.01 Work of the Contract

- A. Contractor shall complete all Work specified in the Contract Documents, in accordance with the Specifications, Drawings, and all other terms and conditions of the Contract Documents (**Work**).

1.02 Price for Completion of the Work

- A. Owner shall pay Contractor the following Contract Sum (**Contract Sum**) for completion of Work in accordance with Contract Documents as set forth in Contractor's Bid, attached hereto.
- B. The Contract Sum includes all allowances (if any).
- C. The Contract Sum is all inclusive and includes all Work; all federal, state, and local taxes on materials and equipment, and labor furnished by Contractor, its subcontractors, subconsultants, architects, engineers, and" vendors or otherwise arising out of Contractor's performance of the Work, including any increases in any such taxes during the term of this Agreement; and any duties, fees, and royalties imposed with respect to any materials and equipment, labor or services. The taxes covered hereby include (but are not limited' to) occupational, sales, use, excise, unemployment, FICA, and income taxes, customs, duties, and any and all other taxes on any item or service that is part of the Work, whether such taxes are normally included in the price of such item or service or are normally stated separately. Notwithstanding the foregoing, each party shall bear such state or local inventory, real property, personal property or fixtures taxes as may be properly assessed against it by applicable taxing authorities.

COMMENCEMENT AND COMPLETION OF WORK

1.03 Contract Payment – Retention

- A. All payments made pursuant to the terms of this Agreement and Contract Documents shall be subject to a withhold of 5% retention per Public Contract Code Section 7201. Payment of the retention will be paid after the work is completed, City Council has accepted the Project as complete, and the Notice of Completion has been filed with the Solano County Recorder's Office.

1.04 Commencement of Work

- A. Contractor shall commence Work on the date established in the Notice to Proceed

- B. Owner reserves the right to modify or alter the Commencement Date.

1.05 Completion of Work

- A. Contractor shall achieve Final Completion of the entire Work **50** Working Days from the Commencement Date.

ARTICLE 2 PROJECT REPRESENTATIVES

2.01 Owner’s Project Manager

- A. Owner has designated **Chester Gatlula, Associate Civil Engineer**, as its Project Manager to act as Owner’s Representative in all matters relating to the Contract Documents. If Project Manager is an employee of Owner, Project Manager is the beneficiary of all Contractor obligations to Owner including, without limitation, all releases and indemnities.
- B. Project Manager shall have final authority over all matters pertaining to the Contract Documents and shall have sole authority to modify the Contract Documents on behalf of Owner, to accept work, and to make decisions or actions binding on Owner, and shall have sole signature authority on behalf of Owner.
- C. Owner may assign all or part of the Project Manager’s rights, responsibilities and duties to a Construction Manager, or other Owner Representative.

2.02 Contractor’s Project Manager and Other Key Personnel

- A. Contractor has designated **Duy Truong** as its Project Manager to act as Contractor’s Representative in all matters relating to the Contract Documents.
- B. Contractor has designated the following other Key Personnel for the Project:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Position</u> |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| <u>John P. Sposeto</u> | <u>Safety Manager</u> |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |

ARTICLE 3 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES FOR DELAY IN COMPLETION OF WORK

3.01 Liquidated Damage Amounts

- A. As liquidated damages for delay Contractor shall pay Owner **three thousand two hundred (\$3,200.00)** for each Day that expires after the time specified herein for Contractor to achieve Final Completion of the entire Work, until achieved.

3.02 Scope of Liquidated Damages

- A. Measures of liquidated damages shall apply cumulatively.
- B. Limitations and stipulations regarding liquidated damages are set forth in Document 00 7200 (General Conditions).

ARTICLE 4 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES FOR UNAUTHORIZED CHANGES OF KEY PERSONNEL

4.01 Liquidated Damage Amounts

- A. No liquidated damages for UNAUTHORIZED CHANGES OF KEY PERSONNEL will be assessed.

ARTICLE 5 CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

5.01 Contract Documents consist of the following documents, including all changes, Addenda, and Modifications thereto:

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| Document 00 5100 | Notice of Award |
| Document 00 5200 | Agreement |
| Document 00 5500 | Notice to Proceed |
| Document 00 6113.13 | Construction Performance Bond |
| Document 00 6113.16 | Construction Labor and Material Payment Bond |
| Document 00 6290 | Escrow Agreement for Security Deposits |
| Document 00 6325 | Substitution Request Form |
| Document 00 6530 | Release of Claims |
| Document 00 6536 | Guaranty |
| Document 00 7200 | General Conditions |
| Document 00 7301 | Supplemental General Conditions |
| Document 00 7316 | Supplementary Conditions – Insurance & Indemnification |
| Document 00 7380 | Apprenticeship Program |
| Document 00 9113 | Addenda |
| Document 00 0115 | Drawings and Technical Specifications as listed |
| Project Manual and Appendices | |
| City of Benicia Engineering Design Standards and Standard Plans | |
| 2025 State Standard Specifications | |

5.02 There are no Contract Documents other than those listed above. The Contract Documents may only be amended, modified or supplemented as provided in Document 00 7200 (General Conditions).

ARTICLE 6 MISCELLANEOUS

6.01 Terms and abbreviations used in this Agreement are defined in Document 00 7200 (General Conditions) and Section 01 4200 (References and Definitions) and will have the meaning indicated therein.

6.02 Contractor and Owner understand and agree that in no instance are the persons signing this Agreement for or on behalf of Owner or acting as an employee, agent, or representative of Owner, liable on this Agreement or any of the Contract Documents, or upon any warranty of authority, or otherwise. Contractor and Owner further understand and agree that liability of Owner is limited and confined to such liability as authorized or imposed by the Contract Documents or applicable law.

6.03 Pursuant to Labor Code Section 1771(a), Contractor represents that it and all of its Subcontractors are currently registered and qualified to perform public work pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5. Contractor covenants that any additional or substitute Subcontractors will be similarly registered and qualified.

6.04 In entering into a public works contract or a subcontract to supply goods, services or materials pursuant to a public works contract, Contractor or Subcontractor offers and agrees to assign to the awarding body all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action it may have under Section 4 of the Clayton Act (15 U.S.C. § 15) or under the Cartwright Act (Chapter 2 (commencing with § 16700) of Part 2 of Division 7 of the Business and Professions Code), arising from purchases of goods, services or materials pursuant to the public works contract or the subcontract. This assignment shall be made and become effective at the time Owner tenders final payment to Contractor, without further acknowledgment by the parties.

6.05 Copies of the general prevailing rates of per diem wages for each craft, classification, or type of worker needed to execute the Contract, as determined by Director of the State of California Department of Industrial Relations, are on file at the Owner's Facilities Development and Management Division, may be obtained from the California Department of Industrial Relations website [<http://www.dir.ca.gov/OPRL/DPreWageDetermination.htm>] and are deemed included in the Contract Documents, and shall be made available to any interested party on request. Pursuant to Labor Code Sections 1860 and 1861, in accordance with Labor Code Section 3700, every

contractor will be required to secure the payment of compensation to his employees. Contractor represents that it is aware of the provisions of Labor Code Section 3700 that require every employer to be insured against liability for workers' compensation or to undertake self-insurance in accordance with the provisions of that Code, and Contractor shall comply with such provisions before commencing the performance of the Work of the Contract Documents.

6.06 This Agreement and the Contract Documents shall be deemed to have been entered into in the City of Benicia, State of California, and governed in all respects by California law (excluding choice of law rules). The exclusive venue for all disputes or litigation hereunder shall be in the Superior Court for the County of Solano, California.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this Agreement in quadruplicate the day and year first above written.

CITY OF BENICIA:

CONTRACTOR:

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Name: _____

By: _____
City Engineer

By: _____
(Signature)

Its: _____
Title (If Corporation: Chairman, President
or Vice President)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: _____
City Attorney

1099 INFORMATION:

Contractor Taxpayer I.D. No.: _____

APPROVED AS TO ADMINISTRATION:

Incorporated: Yes No

By: _____
City Manager

END OF DOCUMENT

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
 P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk
 County of: Solano
 675 Texas Street, Suite 6500
 Fairfield, CA 94533

From: (Public Agency): City of Benicia
250 East L Street
Benicia, CA 94510

(Address)

Project Title: 2026 Citywide Curb Ramp Project

Project Applicant: City of Benicia

Project Location - Specific:
Various intersections throughout the City of Benicia

Project Location - City: Benicia Project Location - County: Solano

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
 The project includes replacement of 10 curb ramps and three driveways, hot mix asphalt, signing and striping. The purpose of the project is to increase pedestrian safety and accessibility. The beneficiaries of this project are pedestrians and members of the Benicia community.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Benicia

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Benicia

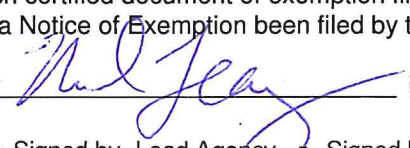
- Exempt Status: **(check one):**
- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
 - Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
 - Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
 - Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class I (Cal. Code Regs §15301(c))
 - Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:
 The project consists of the replacement of existing curb ramps within the public right-of-way to meet ADA standards, involving minor alterations to existing streets and sidewalks with no expansion of use. Therefore, the project is categorically exempt under CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(c) (Class 1 – Existing Facilities). None of the exceptions in Section 15300.2 apply.

Lead Agency
 Contact Person: Neil Leary Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 707-746-4203

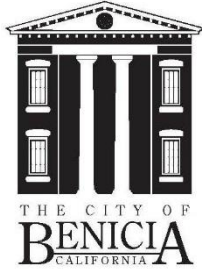
If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature:  Date: 4/6/2026 Title: City Engineer

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Date Received for filing at OPR: _____
 Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.



**AGENDA ITEM
CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE – APRIL 21, 2026
CONSENT CALENDAR**

TO : City Manager

FROM : City Librarian

SUBJECT : **APPROVING A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO COVER EXPENSES RELATED TO THE LIBRARY ART GALLERY FOR FISCAL YEAR 25/26 AND FISCAL YEAR 26/27**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

City Council is asked to approve an amendment to the fiscal year 25/26 and fiscal year 26/27 Library Budget in the amounts of \$1,600 and \$800, respectively, to allocate funds raised through the Marilyn O’Rourke Art Gallery (Gallery) to cover expenses related to the upkeep of the Gallery and the biannual invitational exhibit.

RECOMMENDATION:

Move to adopt a resolution (Attachment 1) approving two budget amendments in fiscal year 25/26 and 26/27 to cover expenses related to the library art gallery and authorizing the Finance Director to make the necessary budget amendments.

BUDGET INFORMATION:

Budget amendments in fiscal year 25/26 in the amount of \$1,600 and in fiscal year 26/27 in the amount of \$800 are needed to increase the supply budget in the Library Donations Fund (org/obj 3167000-7134, Project #700010) to cover the cost of expenses related to the ongoing upkeep of the Gallery and the biannual invitational exhibit. These increases in expenditure budget are offset by fund balance.

| Expenditures | | | | | |
|---------------------|------------|---------------|----------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| FY | Org | Object | Project | Object Description | Increase/(Decrease) |
| 26 | 3167000 | 7134 | 700010 | Supplies | \$1,600.00 |
| 27 | 3167000 | 7134 | 700010 | Supplies | \$800.00 |

BACKGROUND:

The Benicia Public Library is home to the Marilyn O’Rourke Art Gallery which is managed by the Art Gallery Committee (Committee), a subcommittee of the Board of Library Trustees. The Committee manages exhibits in the Gallery with a calendar that features 10 artists every year for 5-6 weeks each.

Each summer the Committee solicits applications from artists to be included in the following year's exhibit calendar. Artists pay a non-refundable application fee of \$20. Artists are responsible for their own exhibit and reception expenses. Every two years the Committee selects an artist to invite to exhibit. The cost of the invitational exhibit and reception is covered by the Library. The application fees and funds raised from the sale of displayed art (artists pay a 25% commission to the Library on any art sold from their exhibit) is collected as revenue and then allocated to pay for Gallery upkeep and improvements including paint and wall repair between exhibits, the purchase of display units and supplies, and the cost of hosting the invitational.

Funds raised through the Gallery are deposited in Fund 316 using the project code #700010. Currently there is a balance of approximately \$3,600 in collected revenue associated with this project.

The Committee has identified approximately \$1,600 in expenses to be used in the current fiscal year, fiscal year 25/26 and an additional \$800 for fiscal year 26/27. Expenses include the following: paint and other consumable supplies, art calendar membership, new stanchions and signage, printing of posters and postcards for the invitational, and the cost of the invitational reception.

Since these expenses were not included when the budget was adopted, an amendment is necessary to make the revenue available.

NEXT STEPS:

If approved, the Finance Director will execute the amendment making the funds available in the Library budget for fiscal year 25/26 and fiscal year 26/27.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS:

As these expenses are necessary, if the amendment is not approved, the Library will identify alternate funding within the existing approved budget and make necessary reductions in other areas to cover the expenses.

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| CEQA Analysis | This action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), the "general rule" exemption which states that where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is exempt from CEQA. |
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ATTACHMENT:

1. Resolution - Approving a Budget Amendment to Cover Expenses Related to The Library Art Gallery in the Current and Upcoming Fiscal Years

For more information contact: Jennifer Baker, City Librarian
 Phone: 707-746-4340
 E-mail: jbaker@ci.benicia.ca.us

RESOLUTION NO. 26-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BENICIA APPROVING A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO COVER EXPENSES RELATED TO THE LIBRARY ART GALLERY FOR FISCAL YEAR 25/26 AND FISCAL YEAR 26/27 AND AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO MAKE THE NECESSARY BUDGET AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Benicia’s General Plan goal 3.6 is to “Support and promote the arts as a major element in Benicia’s community identity”; and

WHEREAS, the Benicia Public Library is home to the Marilyn O’Rourke Art Gallery which is managed by a subcommittee of the Board of Library Trustees (Art Gallery Committee) which hosts 10 artists per year; and

WHEREAS, funds are raised for the upkeep of the Gallery and biannual invitational exhibit through exhibit application fees and percentage of art sales and this revenue is tracked with a project code; and

WHEREAS, currently there is a balance of approximately \$3,600 in collected revenue associated with the project code; and

WHEREAS, a budget amendment of \$1,600 in FY25/26 and \$800 in FY26/27 is required to make the revenue available to meet expenses identified by the Art Gallery Committee that were not included in the adopted budget in the Library Donations Fund (Fund 316) and are offset by fund balance:

| Expenditures | | | | | |
|---------------------|------------|---------------|----------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| FY | Org | Object | Project | Object Description | Increase/(Decrease) |
| 26 | 3167000 | 7134 | 700010 | Supplies | \$1,600.00 |
| 27 | 3167000 | 7134 | 700010 | Supplies | \$800.00 |

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council of the City of Benicia does hereby approve a budget amendment allocating \$1,600 in FY25/26 and \$800 in FY26/27 from the existing fund balance in Fund 316 to be used to fund Art Gallery expenses and authorizes the Finance Director to make the necessary budget amendment.

On motion of Council Member _____, seconded by Council Member _____, the above Resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Benicia at a regular meeting of said Council held on the 21st day of April 2026 by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

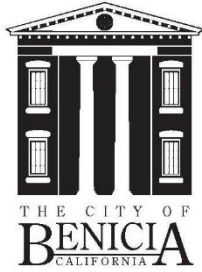
Abstain:

Steve Young, Mayor

Attest:

Lisa Wolfe, City Clerk

Date



**AGENDA ITEM
CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE – APRIL 21, 2026
BUSINESS ITEM**

TO : City Manager

FROM : Deputy City Manager

SUBJECT : **BAY AREA AIR DISTRICT REPAIR (REINVESTING PENALTIES FOR AIR IMPROVEMENT AND RESILIENCE) CATALYST AND OPPORTUNITY GRANTS**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Bay Area Air District has opened Round 1 of its Local Community Benefits Fund program, created to reinvest penalty funds from air quality violations into communities impacted by those violations. Benicia is eligible for two grant categories under the program, Opportunity Grants of \$500,000 to \$5 million and Catalyst Grants of \$10 million to \$40 million. Staff is preparing two grant applications for projects intended to improve air quality, public health, and economic resilience in connection with the Valero refinery transition. This item provides the City Council with an overview of the funding opportunity, the proposed grant strategy, and the next steps for submittal.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that Council:

1. Receive the presentation on the Bay Area Air District Local Community Benefits Fund grant opportunities and provide direction on the City's Opportunity Grant application prior to submittal.
2. Adopt the Resolution (Attachment 1) to authorize the submission of the City's REPAIR (Reinvesting Penalties for Air Improvement and Resilience) Catalyst Grant Application.

BUDGET INFORMATION:

There is no request for City Council to appropriate funds through this item. The proposed grant applications seek up to \$5,000,000 under the Opportunity Grant category and up to \$40,000,000 under the Catalyst Grant category. No local match is required for these grants. If either application is awarded, staff will return to the City Council as needed with any recommended budget amendments, grant acceptance documents, agreements, implementation plans, or related contracts.

BACKGROUND:

On January 29, 2026, the Bay Area Air District announced the opening of Round 1 of the Local Community Benefits Fund under its Bay REPAIR (Reinvesting Penalties for Air Improvement and Resilience) program. The program reinvests a portion of penalty

funds from air quality violations, including those associated with the Valero Refining Company, which was fined in October 2024 by the Air District in conjunction with the California Air Resources Board, into communities affected by those violations. These funds support community-driven projects that reduce air pollution, improve public health, and build economic resilience for a just transition away from the harmful effects of a fossil fuel-based economy.

According to the Air District's Call for Projects for Benicia and surrounding communities, approximately \$60 million is available for this funding round. Benicia is eligible to apply for both Opportunity and Catalyst Grants. Opportunity Grants range from \$500,000 to \$5 million and are intended for collaborative projects led by multi-stakeholder partnerships. Catalyst Grants range from \$10 million to \$40 million and support large, multi-project collaborations designed to address multiple community needs.

At the City Council Goal Setting Workshop on February 19, 2026, the City Council confirmed the following approach for the Catalyst grant application: \$40 million total, consisting of approximately \$25 million (\$5 million/year for 5 years) for current operations and services, often called programs, that closely align with the grant criteria, and approximately \$15 million for new projects that both align with the grant scoring criteria and are high priorities for the City to complete. At this meeting, the Council also provided feedback on 43 project ideas, costing over \$100 million. The potential project list was narrowed down to 25 project ideas, costing over \$50 million.

City staff conducted community engagement based on the updated approach at the March 16th Community Sustainability meeting and the March 19th Industrial Safety Citizen Oversight Commission meeting.

To maximize the City's scoring potential, the City retained Townsend Public Affairs (Townsend) to assist in preparing the grant application. Through participation in the Air District's technical assistance meetings, staff and Townsend learned that the Catalyst Grant requires a separate narrative and budget for each individual project.

In response, the City has strategically refined and blended the concepts discussed during the Council goal setting workshop to strengthen competitiveness and align with grant requirements. Staff and Townsend continue to refine the application on an ongoing basis and will present the most current framework to the City Council as part of this item.

Consistent with grant guidelines, the City's Catalyst Grant application will be organized around the following four project concepts:

- **Project 1:** Clean Energy, Resilient Facilities and Healthy Buildings Program
- **Project 2:** Clean Mobility and Active Transportation Implementation Program
- **Project 3:** Just Economic Transition, Land Use and Workforce Implementation Program
- **Project 4:** Community Air Quality, Wildfire Smoke Prevention and Public Health Program

The purpose of this presentation is to brief the City Council on the proposed Catalyst Grant application framework, including the specific projects and programs recommended for inclusion. In addition, staff and Townsend will present potential options for the City’s Opportunity Grant application and are seeking Council direction on the proposed framework.

The Air District has indicated that Benicia Catalyst Grant applications are due by May 1, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, while other Round 1 applications, including Opportunity Grants, are due by May 29, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time.

NEXT STEPS:

- Finalize and submit the Catalyst Grant application by May 1, 2026.
- Return to City Council on May 19th to present final opportunity grant concept based on direction received at the April 28th meeting.
- Finalize and submit the Opportunity Grant application by May 29, 2026.
- If awarded, return to the City Council with any future grant acceptance actions, agreements, budget amendments, or implementation items associated with an award.

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| CEQA Analysis | This item consists of a presentation and policy direction regarding grant application development and does not, by itself, commit the City to a specific project or physical change in the environment. Accordingly, no action under the California Environmental Quality Act is required at this time. Any future project approvals resulting from a grant award will be reviewed for CEQA compliance at the appropriate time. |
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ATTACHMENT:

1. Resolution – Authorize Bay Area Air District REPAIR Catalyst Grant Application

For more information contact: Sarah Shawky, Deputy City Manager

Phone: (707) 746-4334

E-mail: SShawky@ci.benicia.ca.us

RESOLUTION NO. 26-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BENICIA AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE BAY AREA AIR DISTRICT REPAIR CATALYST GRANT APPLICATION AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ALL RELATED DOCUMENTS

WHEREAS, the Bay Area Air Quality Management District has established funding opportunities through its Local Community Benefits Fund to support projects that improve air quality, public health, and community resilience in impacted communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Benicia is eligible to apply for funding under the Air District's Catalyst Grant programs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Benicia seeks to submit an application for the Bay Area Air District REPAIR (Reinvesting Penalties for Air Improvement and Resilience) Catalyst Grant funding opportunity in the amount up to \$40; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council of the City of Benicia does hereby authorize the submission of the Bay Area Air District REPAIR Catalyst Grant Application funding program under the Local Community Benefits Fund and authorizes the City Manager or designee to execute and submit the application.

On motion of Council Member _____, seconded by Council Member _____, the above Resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Benicia at a regular meeting of said Council held on the 21st day of April by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

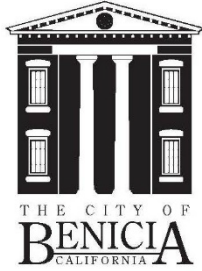
Abstain:

Steve Young, Mayor

Attest:

Lisa Wolfe, City Clerk

Date



**AGENDA ITEM
CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE – APRIL 21, 2026
COUNCIL MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORT**

TO : City Manager

FROM : City Council

SUBJECT : **AD HOC “ACT” TASK FORCE GROUPS UPDATES**

The ad hoc City Council “ACT” Task Force Groups: Advocacy, Collaboration & Transition solicits feedback and participation from stakeholders as they deem helpful to gather information germane to their purpose, including business owners, employees, labor leaders, community members and governmental and non-governmental organizations.

The second City Council meeting of each month serves as an opportunity for the members of Council to report on the progress of each ad hoc group.

Task Force 1: ADVOCATE for Benicia’s Economy: - Mayor Young

This Task Force:

- Serves as a point of contact and leads efforts to work with State Officials such as the Governor’s Office of Economic Development, the California Energy Commission, elected leaders, labor and business representatives to advocate on behalf of Benicia relating to the potential shutdown of the refinery.
- Gathers information and reports on the economic value of the refining operations to Benicia’s economy, county employment, the States economy as well as the importance the Benicia refinery is to Travis Air Force Base.

Task Force 2: COLLABORATE with Community: Non-Profit Organizations, Sports Groups, Benicia Unified School District, Restaurants & Hotels - Council Member Largaespada

This Task Force:

- Coordinates between the various community groups that receive contributions and support from Valero.
- Understands the economic impact to these groups and facilitate collaboration between groups to maximize resources where possible and generate plans on how to proceed with either less funding or new means of revenue. Similarly, with sports groups, the intent is to quantify the financial contribution made to sports groups and how reduced support from Valero could impact users.

- Coordinates with Benicia Unified School District to analyze the impact on property tax revenue to the District and any other direct revenue loss from Valero's cessation of operations.
- Seeks to quantify the economic impact on hotels and restaurants with Valero's exit. The work of Councilmember Largaespada is to coordinate information, facilitate cooperation of resources between groups where feasible, and develop a plan of action on how to overcome the loss of revenue with Valero's departure.

Task Force 3: COLLABORATE with Benicia Industrial Park (BIP): Existing industrial park businesses, Rose Estates and Port of Benicia - Council Member Birdseye

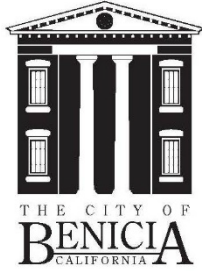
This Task Force:

- Works with impacted BIP businesses; understanding the impact on jobs, lost revenue and impacts on the stream of commerce.
- Coordinates the plans and actions of Rose Estates, the Priority Production Area plan of the Port with redevelopment efforts of the 930 acres of Valero's property with any interested developers.
- There may be an opportunity to synchronize development activity and/or work to incentivize new business development into the BIP including offshore wind manufacturing.

Task Force 4: TRANSITION Prepare for Transition and Redevelopment of Valero's 930 acres: Valero & Signature Development Group - Vice Mayor Macenski & Council Member Scott

This Task Force:

- Collaborates with Valero and Signature Development Group to imagine the possible reuse opportunities for the 930 acres of Valero's property.
- Helps to facilitate stakeholder involvement to solicit public feedback and visioning. Identifies the types of uses, be it residential commercial or industrial and those uses can be best incorporated into Benicia.
- Identifies reports and information that would be helpful to forecast highest and best use for Benicia's economic viability and environmental sustainability.



AGENDA ITEM
CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE – APRIL 21, 2026
COUNCIL MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORT

TO : City Council

FROM : City Manager

SUBJECT : **COUNCIL MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The outside agency committees on which City of Benicia Council Members serve, are listed below. Please click on the links to view current and past agendas and minutes for all Council Member Committee Reports.

Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG)
<https://abag.ca.gov/meetings>

Community Action Partnership Solano Joint Powers Authority (CAP Solano JPA)
<http://www.capsolanojpa.org/agendas---minutes.html>

Green Empowerment Zone Board of Directors
<https://www.contracosta.ca.gov/9963/Governing-Board-of-the-Green-Empowerment>

Marin Clean Energy (MCE)
<https://www.mcecleanenergy.org/meeting-archive/>

Solano County Water Agency (SCWA)
<https://www.scwa2.com/governance/board-meetings-agendas-minutes/>

SolTrans Joint Powers Authority
<https://soltrans.org/resources/meetings/>

Solano Transportation Authority (STA)
<https://sta.ca.gov/meetings-agendas/>

Valero Citizens Advisory Committee (CAP)
<https://www.beniciacap.com/>