



City of Santa Rosa

Council Chamber
100 Santa Rosa Avenue

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES REGULAR MEETING AGENDA AND SUMMARY REPORT - FINAL AUGUST 6, 2026

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING BY
ATTENDING IN-PERSON AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER LOCATED AT
100 SANTA ROSA AVENUE.**

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"IN PROGRESS" LINK TO VIEW. THE MEETING CAN ALSO BE VIEWED
ON COMCAST CHANNEL 28, AT
[HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/CITYOFSANTAROSA](https://www.youtube.com/cityofsantarosa), AND VIA ZOOM
BY VISITING [HTTPS://SRCITY-ORG.ZOOM.US/J/82448675406](https://srcity-org.zoom.us/j/82448675406), OR BY
DIALING 877-853-5257 AND ENTERING WEBINAR ID: 824 4867 5406.**

**IN THE EVENT A BOARD MEMBER PARTICIPATES REMOTELY
BASED ON JUST CAUSE UNDER THE BROWN ACT, THE CITY
WILL ALLOW FOR PUBLIC COMMENT THROUGH THE ZOOM
LINK OR DIAL-IN NUMBER ABOVE.**

**The public attending in person will be able to provide public comment
on agenda items at the time an agenda item is discussed during the
Board of Public Utilities Meeting. Public Comment may also be
submitted via e-mail at bpu-comment@srcity.org.**

**Deadlines and additional instruction for public comment are set forth
below. If you have any questions regarding this meeting, please
contact Michelle Montoya at mmontoya@srcity.org**

1:30 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

2. REMOTE PARTICIPATION UNDER THE BROWN ACT (Gov. Code § 54953.8)

**This time is reserved for any Board Member to announce remote participation
under the "Just Cause" provision of Government Code Section 54953.8.**

3. STATEMENTS OF ABSTENTION BY BOARD MEMBERS

4. STUDY SESSION

None.

5. MINUTES APPROVAL

5.1 July 16, 2026 - Regular Meeting Minutes - Draft

Attachments: [July 16, 2026 - Regular Meeting Minutes - Draft](#)

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS

6.1 COMMUNITY WATER ACADEMY

Staff will share background and details of the pilot Community Water Academy program. Participants will be recognized for their engagement and contribution. The Board may discuss this item and give direction to staff.

6.2 WATER SUPPLIES ALTERNATIVE PLAN ANNUAL UPDATE

The Water Supply Alternatives Plan identified options for increasing the City's water supply resiliency and reliability and was accepted by the City Council in 2023. Staff will provide an update on the implementation of the plan, including the status of feasibility studies for several of the identified water supply options. The Board may discuss this item and give direction to staff.

7. CONSENT ITEMS

7.1 MOTION - BID AWARD - BLANKET PURCHASE ORDER FOR SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE SUPPLY WITH PIONEER AMERICAS LLC C/O OLIN CORP

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by Santa Rosa Water and the Finance Department that the Board of Public Utilities, by motion, approve the bid award and issuance of a one-year Blanket Purchase Order to Pioneer Americas LLC c/o Olin Corp, Houston, Texas, for the supply and delivery of sodium hypochlorite to the Laguna Treatment Plant, various pump stations, and the Farmers Lane Well Treatment

Facility, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$600,000.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Attachment 1 - Bid Response](#)

7.2 MOTION - APPROVAL - THIRD AMENDMENT TO BLANKET
PURCHASE ORDER 175255 FOR LIQUID ALUM

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by Santa Rosa Water and the Finance Department that the Board of Public Utilities, by motion, approve the Third Amendment to Blanket Purchase Order (BPO) 175255 with Chemtrade Chemicals Corporation, dba Chemtrade Chemicals US LLC (Chemtrade), to extend the term by one year and add compensation in the amount of \$175,000, for a total cumulative BPO amount not to exceed \$404,275.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

8. REPORT ITEMS

8.1 REPORT - APPROVAL OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE
AGREEMENT WITH THE CATALYST GROUP

BACKGROUND: The City of Santa Rosa (City) is located in the Laguna de Santa Rosa Watershed (Laguna), a waterbody with documented water quality impairments. The City's Regional Water Reuse Facility (Laguna Treatment Plant) has a special condition in its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit addressing one of these impairments: phosphorus. Compliance is managed through the Water Quality Trading Framework (Framework). This permit condition is costly and difficult to implement, and the City has worked with the North Coast Water Quality Control Board (North Coast Water Board) to revise the compliance approach through staff-level discussions and by sponsoring a phosphorus-focused Blue-Ribbon Panel in 2018.

This proposed action would approve a Professional Services Agreement with the Catalyst Group, in an amount not to exceed \$441,979, to conduct a stakeholder analysis, convene a representative task force, and prepare a final report to inform the North Coast Water Board's regulatory process for protecting water quality in the Laguna de

Santa Rosa. The process is intended to simplify regulatory requirements, improve cost effectiveness, and direct compliance funds in a more strategic manner.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by Santa Rosa Water that the Board of Public Utilities, by motion, approve the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with the Catalyst Group, to provide facilitation and water quality science services to support changes to water quality regulations in the Laguna de Santa Rosa. The contract amount is not to exceed \$441,979.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
 [Attachment 1 – Professional Services Agreement](#)

8.2 REPORT - ANNUAL STORM WATER ENTERPRISE CHARGES

BACKGROUND: On June 16, 2026, via City Council Resolution No. RES-2026-078, the City Council set the annual Storm Water Enterprise charge at \$43.52 per Equivalent Residential Unit. Water Staff will request the Board of Public Utilities recommend the City Council approve the Storm Water Enterprise Charge Report and placement of the annual Storm Water Enterprise charges on the Sonoma County Property Tax Roll for collection.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by Santa Rosa Water that the Board of Public Utilities, by motion, recommend that the City Council, following a public hearing on August 18, 2026, adopt by two-thirds vote the Storm Water Enterprise Charge Report and approve placement of the Storm Water Enterprise charges on the Sonoma County Property Tax Roll for collection by the Sonoma County Auditor-Controller-Treasurer-Tax Collector at the same time and in the same manner as Sonoma County property taxes are collected, unless those charges do not meet the County minimum of \$10 and/or parcel owner contact information is known to be incorrect.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
 [Attachment 1 - Storm Water Enterprise Charge Report](#)

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS

This is the time when any person may address matters not listed on this

agenda, but which are within the subject matter of the jurisdiction of the Board of Public Utilities. The public may comment on agenda items when the item is called. Each speaker is allowed up to three minutes.

Live Public Comment: Members of the public can provide comment on an agenda item in-person from the Council Chamber at the time an agenda item is discussed during the Board of Public Utilities Meeting.

Advance Public Comment via E-mail Public Comment: To submit an e-mailed public comment to the Board of Public Utilities, please send to: bpu-comment@srcity.org by 5:00 p.m., the Wednesday prior to the Board of Public Utilities meeting. Identify in the subject line of your e-mail the agenda item number(s) on which you wish to comment, provide your name in the body of the e-mail and your comment. Comments received by the deadline will be distributed to all Board Members, will be posted to the agenda documents on-line, and be made part of the archive packet.

10. REFERRALS

None.

11. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION (AND POSSIBLE BOARD DISCUSSION)

None.

12. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

13. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

14. DIRECTORS REPORTS

15. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

The Board of Public Utilities encourages public comments regarding the above items. If you are unable to attend this meeting, please feel free to call the Water Department at 543-4200 or forward written comments to the City of Santa Rosa, Water Department, 35 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa, CA 95401. All comments will be forwarded to the Board at the meeting.

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