

### **COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD**

**Work Plan & Annual Report** 

December 16, 2025

### MISSION

The Community Advisory Board connects city government and residents so the public can have a voice in decisions that impact their lives and build a stronger community.

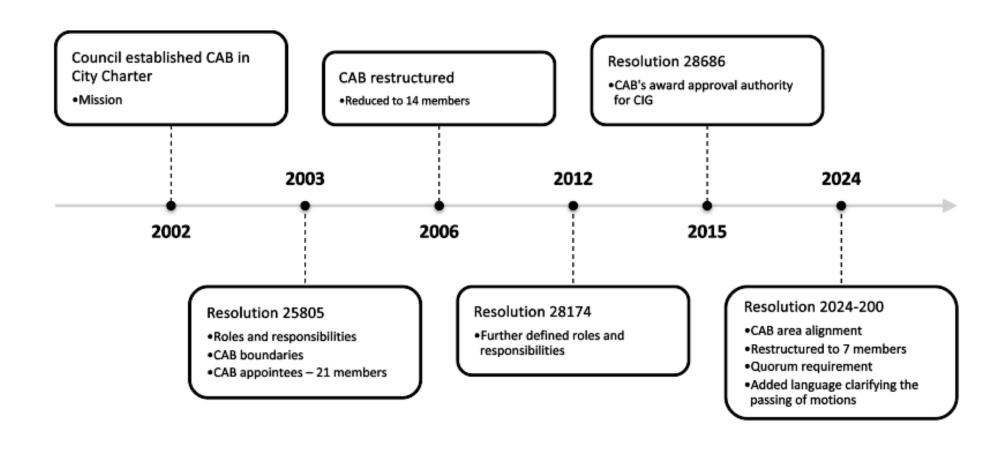


### INTRODUCTION

The Community Advisory Board (CAB) was created as part of the Santa Rosa City Charter in 2002 and represents views and ideas from the broader community on issues of interest to the Santa Rosa City Council (Council). The CAB is a seven-member board, all of them district-based. The CAB is supported by staff from the Communications and Intergovernmental Relations Office (CIRO).



## HISTORY





## **MEMBERS**

- **District 1:** Ana Diaz
- District 2: Clay Daulton
- District 3: Andrea Rodriguez (Chair)
- District 4: Derek Knowles
- District 5: Douglas Mondell
- District 6: Jude Frates (Vice-Chair)
- District 7: Joshua Hamzehee





### **CAB 2025-2027 WORK PLAN**

- **Background:** CAB redesigned its work plan after COVID-19 disruptions, adopted the new plan in March 2025, and extended it through 2027 in November to align with Council's goal-setting cycle.
- **Objective:** Promote education, foster meaningful engagement, and build trust and collaboration among CAB, City Councilmembers, and community members.
- Actions: CAB will engage in community and neighborhood meetings, promote City programs, oversee Community Improvement Grants (CIG), collaborate quarterly with Councilmembers, and provide annual report of achievements to Council.
- Council Goals Alignment: Goal # 4: Foster a Safe, Healthy, and Inclusive Community.



### ANNUAL CYCLE

# Monthly & Quarterly

Communication and collaboration, foster community building and improvement

- CIG grants
- CAB meetings
- Councilmember & CAB

# Spring & Summer

Being in the community, promoting grants and City projects, building community

- City events
- District specific events
- · Community events

#### Fall & Winter

Collaboration, education, civic engagement, neighborhood empowerment

- · Community meetings
- Neighborhoods meetings
- CAB's Annual Report to City Council



### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

- Community Engagement & Education: Attended and tabled at major events (Earth Day, Cinco de Mayo, Rose Parade & Festival, Pride, Juneteenth) and neighborhood meetings, promoting a wide variety of City programs and the CIG.
- Collaboration & Trust Building: Hosted 5 district-based community meetings with Councilmembers and CAB members, facilitated by CIRO, Department Heads, and other City staff. Additionally, CAB held quarterly meetings with City Councilmembers.
- Community Improvement Grant: During 2024, CAB awarded \$47,0954.40 to 20 grant applicants. For 2025, CAB awarded \$26,379.58 to 13 grant applicants.



### COMMUNITY MEETINGS SUMMARY

- **❖ Total Attendees:** 84
- **\*** Key Community Issues:
  - ➤ Housing & Development: affordable, senior, and family housing; large projects; support for unhoused residents.
  - > Transportation & Parking: downtown parking, bus delays, SMART connectivity
  - > Infrastructure: sidewalks, road safety, green spaces, play structures.
  - ➤ Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness: fire safety, evacuation routes, resilience hubs, communication for vulnerable groups, e-bike safety.
  - > Immigration: Protection for immigrant communities.



# MOST COMMON WORDS

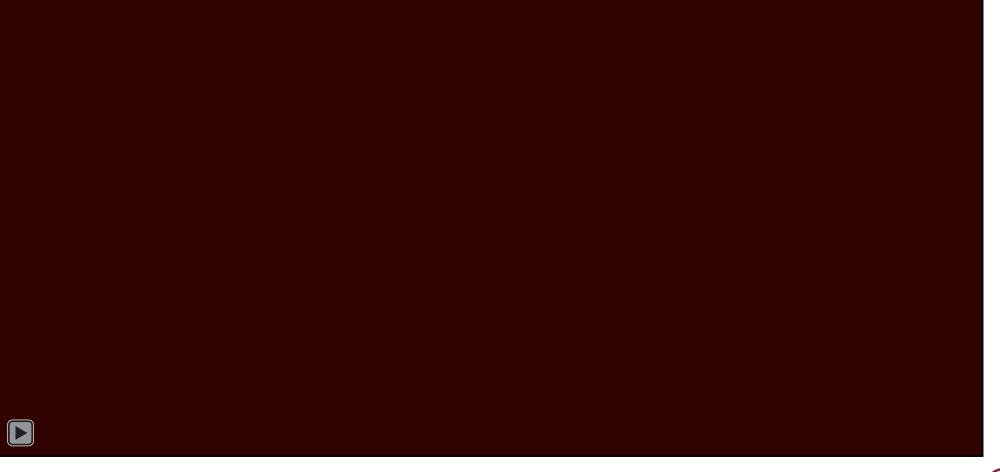




# **CAB IN ACTION**



# COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT GRANT 11





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- City Council
- Department Heads & Staff
- CIRO staff
- AmeriCorps Members
- Our community



# **Questions?**