



AGENDA

Special Meeting of the
Scotts Valley City Council
In-Person and Remote Access
Date: January 16, 2026
Time: 9:00 AM

CONTACT INFORMATION	MEETING LOCATION	POSTING
City of Scotts Valley 1 Civic Center Drive Scotts Valley, CA 95066 (831) 440-5600	City Council Chambers 1 Civic Center Drive Scotts Valley, CA 95066 OR Zoom Video Conference https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83295730901	Agenda posted on 1-15-2026 at City Hall, SV Senior Center, SV Public Works Building, and on the Internet at: www.scottsvally.gov
ELECTED OFFICIALS		CITY STAFF MEMBERS
Donna Lind, Mayor Steve Clark, Vice Mayor Krista Jett, Council Member Derek Timm, Council Member Greg Wimp, Council Member		Mali LaGoe, City Manager Kirsten Powell, City Attorney Rodolfo Onchi, Public Works Director Cathie Simonovich, City Clerk

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting will be available on Zoom and livestreamed to the City of Scotts Valley's YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@cityofscottsvally>
For those wishing to participate via Zoom you can join the following ways:
Zoom Webinar meeting link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83295730901>
Or dial one of these numbers: (669) 900-9128 or (669) 444-9171
Webinar ID: 832 9573 0901

Whether attendance is in-person or remote, you will be given opportunities to provide public comment at the appropriate times throughout the meeting. The time limit is up to 3 minutes for an individual, or 5 minutes for someone who is representing a group of three or more, at the discretion of the Mayor. Please note that this is not a question-and-answer time, but simply a time to provide comments to the Council. At the appropriate times during the meeting for public comment, on items not on the agenda, and on specific agenda items, the Mayor will announce that public comment will be accepted.

CALL TO ORDER 9:00 AM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

ALTERATIONS TO REGULAR AGENDA

Council can remove or add items to the Regular Agenda.

REGULAR AGENDA

Persons wishing to speak on any item may do so by raising their hand to be recognized by the Mayor.

1. Resolution declaring an emergency for the Scotts Valley Drive Sinkhole pursuant to Public Contract Code §1102 and authorizing the City Manager to cause the repair of the Sinkhole and impacted infrastructure pursuant to Public Contract Code §§22035 and 22050.

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

CLOSED SESSION SUBJECT(S)

1. Conference with legal counsel regarding anticipated litigation
Legal Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)(3)(4)
Number of Cases: 1
Staff Present: City Manager, City Attorney, Public Works Director

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

ADA NOTICE

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PROCEDURAL INFORMATION FOR THE PUBLIC

THE FOLLOWING IS THE PROCEDURE COUNCIL SHOULD TAKE IN APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION:

1. Move the Resolution number for approval.
2. Second the motion.
3. Vote by body, a roll call vote is not required.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE PROCEDURE COUNCIL SHOULD TAKE IN INTRODUCTION/ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE:

1. Move the Ordinance number for introduction (or adoption).
2. Move the Ordinance be introduced by title only and waive the reading of the text.
3. Read the Ordinance title.
4. Second the motion.
5. Vote by body, a roll call vote is not required.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE PROCEDURE COUNCIL SHOULD TAKE IN PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Unless otherwise determined by the presiding officer of the meeting:

1. Three minutes allowed per individual to speak.
2. Five minutes allowed per individual representing a group of three or more.



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City of Scotts Valley
CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

DATE: 1/16/2026

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Mali LaGoe, City Manager

APPROVED: Mali LaGoe, City Manager

SUBJECT: **Resolution declaring an emergency for the Scotts Valley Drive Sinkhole pursuant to Public Contract Code §1102 and authorizing the City Manager to cause the repair of the Sinkhole and impacted infrastructure pursuant to Public Contract Code §§22035 and 22050.**

SUMMARY OF ISSUE

On January 5, 2026 a 30' by 30' sinkhole formed at the intersection of Scotts Valley Drive and Granite Creek Road which damaged the roadway, sidewalk, City culvert and Caltrans electrical service cabinet. Because the sinkhole developed suddenly it also caused an unexpected failure of the roadway embankment. The damage to the electrical service cabinet interrupted electrical service to the traffic signals at both Scotts Valley Drive and Granite Creek Road intersections, which also serve as the City's northern interchange for traffic entering and exiting Highway 17. These two heavily used intersections are currently functioning on temporary generator power. The sinkhole undermined a section of sidewalk, bike lane and the northbound right-turn lane on Scotts Valley Drive, creating an imminent threat to drivers and pedestrians in that intersection and surrounding improvements which could be exasperated if not immediately repaired. In order to repair the sinkhole, sidewalk, roadway and Caltrans electrical service cabinet, the City culvert must also be repaired immediately. These conditions pose an immediate threat to public health, safety and property, necessitating rapid emergency action to repair the sinkhole, replace the City culvert and rebuild the road, sidewalk and embankment.

NEED FOR EMERGENCY ACTION

The severity of the sinkhole and resulting damage to the City culvert, roadway, sidewalk and embankment exceed the City's normal operational capabilities, requiring mobilization of additional resources and contracting authority. The emergency created by the Sinkhole will not permit delay for competitive bidding and immediate action is necessary to protect public health, safety, and property.

CONTRACTING FOR EMERGENCY STABILIZATION AND REPAIR WORK

California Public Contract Code §22050 allows an agency, pursuant to a four-fifths vote, to repair or replace a public facility in the event of an emergency without a formal bid process. Public Contract Code §1102 defines an "emergency" as a sudden, unexpected occurrence requiring immediate action to prevent or mitigate loss of life, property, or essential public services. In order to authorize the work without a formal bid process, the City must make a

finding, based on substantial evidence set forth in the minutes, that the emergency will not permit a delay resulting from a competitive solicitation for bids, and that the action is necessary to respond to the emergency. Once an emergency is declared, Public Contract Code §22035 authorizes the City to proceed with emergency work and to secure the necessary contracts without the standard competitive bidding requirements, allowing repairs to be performed as quickly as needed to protect public health, safety, and property. As detailed above and in the report from Pacific Crest, the slide is an unexpected occurrence requiring immediate action to prevent or mitigate loss of property and essential public services. By passing this resolution, the City Manager will be authorized to enter into contracts to stabilize and repair the road as soon as possible to eliminate the potential for loss of property or public services.

FISCAL IMPACT

The cost of the culvert replacement and sinkhole repair is unknown at this time.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends City Council approve Resolution No. 2082, declaring an emergency pursuant to Public Contract Code Section §1102 resulting from the sinkhole on Scotts Valley Drive and authorizing the City Manager to take all actions necessary to secure contracts and mobilize resources to complete emergency repairs without formal competitive bidding pursuant to Public Contract Code §§22035 and 22050.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2082

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SCOTTS VALLEY DECLARING AN EMERGENCY FOR THE SCOTTS VALLEY DRIVE SINKHOLE PURSUANT TO PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE §1102 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO CAUSE THE REPAIR OF THE SINKHOLE, IMPACTED INFRASTRUCTURE AND UTILITIES PURSUANT TO PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE §§22035 AND 22050

WHEREAS, on January 5, 2026, a 30' by 30' sinkhole formed at the intersection of Scotts Valley Drive and Granite Creek Road (the "Sinkhole"), which damaged the roadway, sidewalk, City culvert, and CalTrans electrical service cabinet; and

WHEREAS, the damage to the electrical service cabinet interrupted electrical service to the traffic signals at the Scotts Valley Drive and Granite Creek Road intersection; and

WHEREAS, the Sinkhole developed suddenly causing an unexpected failure of the roadway embankment; and

WHEREAS, the Sinkhole and associated damage creates an imminent threat to drivers and pedestrians in that intersection and surrounding improvements which could be exacerbated if not immediately repaired; and

WHEREAS, in order to repair the Sinkhole, the road and the sidewalk and eliminate the risk of future damage, the City culvert must also be repaired immediately; and

WHEREAS, these conditions pose an immediate threat to public health, safety, and property, necessitating rapid emergency action to repair the Sinkhole, replace the City culvert and rebuild the road, sidewalk and embankment; and

WHEREAS, the severity of the Sinkhole and resulting damage to the City culvert, roadway, sidewalk and embankment exceed the City's normal operational capabilities, requiring mobilization of additional resources and contracting authority; and

WHEREAS, Public Contract Code §22050 permits the City, by a four-fifths vote, to repair or replace a public facility in an emergency without formal bidding, and §1102 defines an "emergency" as a sudden occurrence requiring immediate action to prevent loss of life, property, or essential services; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the emergency created by the Sinkhole will not permit delay for competitive bidding and that immediate action is necessary to protect public health, safety, and property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the City Council of the City of Scotts Valley hereby:

1. Declares an emergency pursuant to Public Contract Code §1102 and authorizes the immediate repair of the Sinkhole, City culvert, road, sidewalk and embankment.

2. Pursuant to Public Contract Code §§22035 and 22050, authorizes the City Manager to take all actions necessary to secure contracts and mobilize resources to complete emergency repairs without formal competitive bidding.

The above and foregoing resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the City Council of the City of Scotts Valley at a special meeting held on the 16th day of January 2026 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Approved: _____
Donna Lind, Mayor

Attest: _____
Cathie Simonovich, City Clerk