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City of Sebastopol

May 5, 2026 City Council Meeting Agenda Highlights

Consent Calendar:

Routine items will be approved in a single motion unless pulled for discussion. These include

- Extend the Sebastopol Commons Committee through Sept. 30, 2026 to complete a full year of work and deliver a final report, then disband.
- Amend the Flag Policy to allow Scouts or nonprofits to place U.S. flags in the public right-of-way on designated holidays.
- Provide direction to the City's voting delegate for an appointment to the Airport Land Use Commission (one open seat).
- Continue participation in the Urban County program to remain eligible for HUD funding (e.g., CDBG, Emergency Solutions Grants).

Informational Items:

- Update on Police Department programs (e.g., Explorer Program, Citizens Academy, mounted unit), with future costs still under review.
- FY25–26 Q3 financial update covering General and Enterprise Funds.

Public Hearings:

- Consider a tentative map at 7983 Covert Lane to split one property into a new undeveloped parcel and a remaining developed parcel.
- Introduce and hold first reading of an ordinance to fund police station cameras and Safe House security upgrades (\$13,875 from endowment funds).

Regular Agenda:

- Receive the Water Master Plan, outlining ~\$10.8M in long-term infrastructure needs (no immediate fiscal impact).
- Provide direction on cost allocation methodology for the FY26–27 budget, with multiple financial scenarios affecting General Fund reimbursements.
- Consider 3% cost-of-living adjustments (COLA):
 - Management & mid-management employees (~\$34,150 total impact)
 - Police Chief (~\$7,200 total impact)
- Consider appointing the Interim City Manager as permanent City Manager, with associated compensation adjustments (~\$12,415 impact).

Meeting starts at 6pm at the Youth Annex and virtually. For the full meeting agenda and additional meeting documents visit the May 5, 2026 City Council Meeting Page: <https://bit.ly/CC050526>