



PAJARO VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
562 CASSERLY RD, WATSONVILLE, CA (831)722-6188

AGENDA & PUBLIC NOTICE (Amended)
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
of the
PAJARO VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
on

Wednesday, May 13, 2026

Meeting to be held at the Pajaro Valley Fire Station
562 Casserly Rd, Watsonville, CA 95076 commencing at 5:00 p.m.

Any member of the public may inspect non-exempt public records related to an agenda item for an open session regular meeting at the Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District Fire Station at 562 Casserly Rd, Watsonville, CA 95076 during business hours, Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or visit the District's website www.pajarovalleyfire.com

1.0 Call to Order

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance

1.2 Call Meeting to Order - Roll Call

Director Erbe, Director Dellamonica, Director Moules, Director Sampson, Director Martone

2.0 Agenda Amendments

Per Government Code §54954.2, the legislative body may take action on items of business not appearing on the posted agenda under any of the three conditions stated below. Prior to discussing any item pursuant to this subdivision, the legislative body shall publicly identify the item.

(1) Upon a determination by a majority vote of the legislative body that an emergency situation exists, as defined in §54956.5.

(2) Upon a determination by a two-thirds vote of the Board members present at the meeting (i.e. 4 if 5 are present) , or, if less than two-thirds of the members are present, a unanimous vote of those members present, that there is a need to take immediate action and that the need for action came to the attention of the District after the agenda was posted as specified in subdivision (a) of §54956.5. 1

(3) The item was agendized at a prior meeting of the Board not more than five calendar days before the date action is taken on the item, and at the prior Board meeting the item was continued to the Board meeting at which action is being taken.

2.1 Additions, Deletions or Late Additions to the Consent Agenda and Regular Agenda from Staff or Members of the Board

3.0 Oral Communications

Public Comment on matters not on the agenda: Public Comment should ordinarily be limited to 3 minutes per person. There can be no deliberation or action on items not on the agenda. The Board may refer a matter to staff or schedule discussion for a future meeting. The public should address the Board on items on the agenda during the Boards consideration of the item.

3.1 Public Oral Communication

3.2 Staff Oral Communication

3.3 Board Oral Communication



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4.0 Consent Agenda

Matters listed under the Consent Agenda will be acted upon by one motion affirming the action recommended. There will be no separate discussion on items unless members of the Board or Staff request the removal of an item for separate action.

1) Board/Staff Member Explanation; 2) Board of Directors Questions; 3) Public Comment; 4) Board Member Deliberation; 5) Decision

4.1 Minutes – Approval of the minutes from the Regular Board meeting on April 8, 2026.

4.2 Claims Disbursement – Expenditure report, Vendor & Deposit summary, Year to Date Financial Report and American Express Statement for April 2026

Motion: Motion to approve all items on the Consent Agenda

Second:

All in favor:

5.0 Presentations

1) Board/Staff Member Explanation; 2) Board of Directors Questions; 3) Public Comment; 4) Board Member Deliberation; 5) Decision

5.1 Pajaro Valley Chief's Report & Run Report for April 2026

5.2 Watsonville Run Report for April 2026

6.0 Committee Reports

Standing Committees are subject to all Brown Act requirements. Ad hoc committees are not subject to the Brown Act noticing and agenda requirements. A written agenda is prepared and posted at least 72 hours prior to standing committee meetings. An opportunity is provided for public input at standing committee meetings. 1) Board/Staff Member Explanation; 2) Board of Directors Questions; 3) Public Comment; 4) Board Member Deliberation

6.1 LAFCO Ad Hoc Committee – Chair Martone & Director Dellamonica (Committee will give report in section 7.3)

6.2 Watsonville Fire/Pajaro Valley Fire Contract Ad Hoc Committee – Chair Martone & Director Dellamonica. (Committee will give report in section 7.1 Continuing Business)

6.3 BESS Ad Hoc Committee - Chair Martone & Director Dellamonica. (Committee will give report in section 7.2 Continuing Business)

7.0 Continuing Business

All items listed in Continuing Business are intended to provide an opportunity for public discussion and board deliberation of each item listed. The following procedure pertains to each Continuing Business Item: 1) Board/Staff Member Explanation; 2) Board of Directors Questions; 3) Public Comment; 4) Board Member Deliberation; 5) Decision.

7.1 Pajaro Valley FPD / Watsonville FD Fire Service Agreement Update

The Board will receive an update from Watsonville Fire/Pajaro Valley Fire Contract Ad Hoc Committee about the Pajaro Valley Fire/Watsonville City Fire Department Fire Service Agreement.

Recommended Action: Discuss, motion and/or give any directions to staff if needed.

Motion:

Second:

Vote:



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7.2 BESS Ad Hoc Committee Report

The Board will receive an update from the BESS Ad Hoc Committee. Committee will give recommendations to board and directions to staff for the next steps.

Recommended Action: Discuss, make a motion to move forward with using a consultant for a funding methodology for BESS projects and/or give any directions to staff if needed.

Motion: Motion to move forward with hiring a consultant to assist with funding methodology for BESS projects.

Second:

Vote:

7.3 Final report from the LAFCO Committee and the dissolution of the LAFCO Ad Hoc Committee

LAFCO Ad Hoc Committee to present the Town Meeting Flyer and dates. Board will receive the final report from the LAFCO Committee. The Board Chair will discuss and possibly take action to dissolve the LAFCO Ad Hoc Committee.

Recommended Action: Board receives the final report from the LAFCO Ad Hoc Committee and the Board Chair to dissolve the Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District LAFCO Ad Hoc Committee.

8.0 New Business

All items listed in New Business are intended to provide an opportunity for public discussion and board deliberation of each item listed. The following procedure pertains to each New Business Item: 1) Board/Staff Member Explanation; 2) Board of Directors Questions; 3) Public Comment; 4) Board Member Deliberation; 5) Decision.

8.1 Establishment of a Reorganization Ad Hoc Committee

Discussion and possible action to establish an Ad Hoc Reorganization Committee for matters related to the proposed reorganization between the Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District and the County of Santa Cruz County Fire CSA 48.

Recommended Action: The Board Chair establish a Reorganization Ad Hoc Committee for the purpose of participating in, coordinating, and overseeing meetings, discussions, and related activities associated with the proposed reorganization between the Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District and the County of Santa Cruz County Fire CSA 48, and appoint two Board members to serve on the committee.

8.2 Resolution 2026-04 Temporary Transfer of Funds

The Board will review Resolution 2026-04 Temporary Transfer of Funds from the County of Santa Cruz until tax revenues are collected for the fiscal year.

Recommended Action: Discuss and make a motion to approve the resolution.

Motion: Motion to approve Resolution 2026-04 Temporary Transfer of Funds.

Second:

Vote:

9.0 Correspondence

The Correspondence Listing is established to act as a report of materials received by the Board but may include items requested for inclusion by individual Board members. The Board of Directors has received the following items of correspondence which require no action by the Board. If the Board chooses, they may take any action deemed necessary (i.e. acknowledgement, referral, etc)

9.1 Email from Becky Steinbruner on May 7th, 2026 about Fire Code and CEC New Leaf Energy Permit

10.0 Adjournment

Motion: Motion to adjourn the Board Meeting.

Second:



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All in favor:
Time:

Note: The Board Chair requests that if you have any questions or wish clarification or additional information about any item on the agenda or contained in the attached materials, please call the Fire Chief at (831) 722-6188 before the meeting. Information regarding items on the agenda may be reviewed at that Pajaro Valley Fire Station located at 562 Casserly Rd, Watsonville, CA 95076, or you may view the agenda on our website www.pajarovalleyfire.com

Members of the Pajaro Valley Fire District Board of Directors shall attend meetings in person unless remote participation is permitted by law. In the event that any member of the Board participates in a meeting by teleconference or video conference, pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act, Government Code Section 54953, all votes shall be by roll call. Members of the public that wish to attend and/or participate in a meeting may do so in person.

Americans with Disability Act

The Pajaro Valley Fire station is an accessible facility. If you wish to attend a meeting and you will require assistance in order to attend and /or participate, please call the district at (831) 722-6188 in advance of the meeting and every effort will be made to accommodate your attendance and participation.

Tab 3.1

RE: Thank You for Your Interview on "Community Matters" Yesterday to Discuss the City of Vacaville BESS Ordinance

From: Albert Enault (albert.enault@cityofvacaville.gov)

To: ki6tkb@yahoo.com

Date: Monday, May 11, 2026 at 03:51 PM PDT

*Hand-delivered
5/13/26
Becky Steinbruner*

Hi Becky,

The draft ordinance is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 15061 (b)(3) since there is no possibility that the addition of regulations for BESS Facilities will have a significant effect on the environment. Proposed future BESS facilities will be reviewed in compliance with the provisions of CEQA at the time of application to determine appropriate environmental review.

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Your information was very helpful and of great interest to the listeners.

One question a listener wrote me about later was whether the City of Vacaville had to do any environmental review of the Ordinance before adopting it? If so, was that review done in-house or via a consultant?

Thank you once again for your time and excellent work.

Sincerely,

Becky



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Wednesday, April 8, 2025

1.0 Call to Order 5:00PM

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance

1.2 Call Meeting to Order - Roll Call

Present: Director Erbe, Director Dellamonica, Director Moules, Director Martone

Excused Absent: Director Sampson

2.0 Agenda Amendments

2.1 Additions, Deletions or Late Additions to the Consent Agenda and Regular Agenda from Staff or Members of the Board

Late addition of an email from today, added to correspondence. Three correspondences in email packet.

3.0 Oral Communications

3.1 Public Oral Communication

Becky Steinbruner- resident- spoke regarding BESS for 19 Minto Rd. and the developer's current plan and gave the Board information to review regarding BESS.

3.2 Staff Oral Communication

None

3.3 Board Oral Communication

Chair Martone invited all to attend April Pitch-In event on April 23rd 9am-11am at Paulsen Road.

Board discussed road work on Paulsen Road-possible culvert work.

4.0 Consent Agenda

4.1 Minutes – Approval of the minutes from the Regular Board meeting on March 11, 2026.

Becky Steinbruner- resident-noted a correction to Karrel Reader's name.

4.2 Claims Disbursement – Expenditure report, Vendor & Deposit summary, Year to Date Financial Report and American Express Statement for March 2026

BC Urbani spoke on errors to Amex card. There were four charges for the same amount by the same vendor. The vendor's system made an error and have issued credits for three of the charges.

Motion: Director Dellamonica motioned to approve all items on the Consent Agenda with spelling correction to Karrel Reader's name.

Second: Director Erbe

All in favor: All

5.0 Presentations

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5.1 Pajaro Valley Chief's Report & Run Report for March 2026

BC Urbani reported on the following:

- Structure fire on Cutter, crews responded with Corralitos and Watsonville. Fire was contained to one room.
- Structure fire on North Drive was a deck fire. Contained to the deck.
- Apparatus 4511 roof leak was repaired. Additional leaks have occurred since then and crews are working to identify the location of the leak. The repair is covered under warranty.
- Facility- work on septic system delayed due to rain.
- Attended career day at Lakeview Middle School

5.2 Watsonville Run Report for March 2026

No questions from the Board.

Becky Steinbruner- questioned responses by Watsonville and PV Fire and how agreement is implemented. Chair Martone invited Ms. Steinbruner to meet with him and get an overview of how the contract works.

6.0 **Committee Reports**

6.1 LAFCO Ad Hoc Committee – Chair Martone & Director Dellamonica

Chair Martone reported that a meeting will be scheduled with LAFCO to finalize the town hall meetings. Two meetings will be scheduled, one in person and one virtual. Vice Chair Dellamonica reported that the attorney has advised that board members not attached to the Ad Hoc Committee are not able to attend the town hall meetings because it will violate the Brown Act. Further discussions are being held to clarify. The Board discussed the current plan for the town hall meeting, who will present and how the rest of the Board members will get a report on what was presented and what occurred at the town hall meetings.

Public Comment:

Becky Steinbruner- spoke on the meeting dates and the town hall meeting presentation.

6.2 Watsonville Fire/Pajaro Valley Fire Contract Ad Hoc Committee – Chair Martone & Director Dellamonica.

Chief Wilson reported that Chief Schaefer is meeting with City staff this week to discuss the contract.

Vice Chair Dellamonica expressed frustration due to the lack of movement on the contract. The Board wants to ensure that the level of service for the District is maintained. The Board directed staff to schedule a meeting with the City of Watsonville.

7.0 **Continuing Business**

7.1 **Ordinance 2026-01 Compensation for Board Members of the Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District**

Board to conduct reading and vote of Ordinance 2026-01 Compensation for Board Members of the PVFPD.

Board to review and conduct the reading of Ordinance 2026-01.

- Board clarifying questions to Staff
- ***Board will forgo the reading of Ordinance 2026-01 due to time.***
- Public Hearing – Board Chair opens Public Hearing for Public Comment
- Board Chair closes Public Hearing
- Board Discussion, Deliberation
- Board vote on Ordinance 2026-01



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Vice Chair Dellamonica clarified that the only change is to increase the number of meetings from three to six, not an increase to the reimbursement amount. BC Urbani reported that the ordinance has been posted appropriately as stated in the ordinance. The ordinance will take effect in 60 days if the decision is made to move forward and will be reposted again as appropriate. Public Comment- opened 5:30 closed 5:30. No comments. No Board discussion.

Motion: Director Dellamonica to adopt Ordinance 2026-01 Compensation for Board Members of the PVFPD as presented
Second: Director Moules.

Roll Call Vote: Director Erbe-Yes, Director Moules- yes, Director Dellamonica-yes, Director Martone-yes;
Directo Sampson - absent

8.0 New Business

8.1 Resolution 2026-03 Transfer of Funds to 62304 Attorney

Board to consider Resolution 2026-03 transferring funds in FY 25/26 638100 Operating Budget 62922 Lodging to 62304 Attorney .

Recommended Action: Board to have discussion, give directions to staff and/or make a motion.

BC Urbani reported that due to an increase in legal costs, \$8K from lodging is being transferred to the attorney fund.

Vice Chair Dellamonica questioned the need for a resolution to transfer funds. BC Urbani explained the process to transfer funds as directed by the County.

Becky Steinbruner- resident- asked if there will be an attorney present at the townhall meetings.

Motion: Director Erbe motioned to approve Resolution 2026-03 Transfer of Funds to 62304 Attorney.

Second: Director Moules

Vote: All

9.0 Correspondence

Chair Martone stated that he received an email from Becky Steinbruner on BESS, agenda, and handouts. BC Urbani explained how items are added to the agenda based on when they are received.

Public comment was received.

10.0 Adjournment

Motion: Director Dellamonica motioned to adjourn the Board Meeting.

Second: Director Erbe

All in favor: all

Time: 5:38pm

This is to certify that for foregoing is a true copy of the discussions during the Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District Regular Board of Directors meeting, held on April 8th, 2026

Attest:

May 13, 2026

Mike Urbani
Board Secretary

Dave Martone
Board Chair



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 MIKE URBANI
 Closing Date 04/27/26 Next Closing Date 05/28/26
 Account Ending

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Customer Care: 1-800-521-6121
TTY: Use Relay 711
Website: americanexpress.com

New Balance	\$1,718.63
Minimum Payment Due	\$35.00
Payment Due Date	05/22/26

Reward Dollars As of Mar 2026	499.58
For details, please see your Reward Dollars Summary.	

Late Payment Warning: If we do not receive your Minimum Payment Due by the Payment Due Date of 05/22/26, you may have to pay a late fee of up to \$39.00 and your APRs may be increased to the Penalty APR of 29.99%.

Minimum Payment Warning: If you make only the minimum payment each period, you will pay more in interest and it will take you longer to pay off your balance. For example:

If you make no additional charges and each month you pay...	You will pay off the balance shown on this statement in about...	And you will pay an estimated total of...
Only the Minimum Payment Due	7 years	\$2,842
\$61	3 years	\$2,201 <i>(Savings = \$641)</i>

Account Summary

Previous Balance	\$6,962.76
Payments/Credits	-\$6,962.76
New Charges	+\$1,718.63
Fees	+\$0.00
Interest Charged	+\$0.00

New Balance	\$1,718.63
Minimum Payment Due	\$35.00

Credit Limit	\$15,000.00
Available Credit	\$13,281.37
Cash Advance Limit	\$500.00
Available Cash	\$500.00

Days in Billing Period: 31

If you would like information about credit counseling services, call 1-888-733-4139.

See page 2 for important information about your account.

Please refer to the **IMPORTANT NOTICES** section.

↓ Please fold on the perforation below, detach and return with your payment ↓

Payment Coupon
Do not staple or use paper clips

Pay by Computer
americanexpress.com/
business

Pay by Phone
1-800-472-9297

Account Ending
Enter 15 digit account # on all payments.
Make check payable to American Express.

MIKE URBANI
 PAJARO VALLEY FIRE
 562 CASSERLY RD
 WATSONVILLE CA 95076

Payment Due Date	05/22/26
New Balance	\$1,718.63
Minimum Payment Due	\$35.00

See reverse side for instructions on how to update your address, phone number, or email.

AMERICAN EXPRESS
 PO BOX 60189
 CITY OF INDUSTRY CA 91716-0189

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Closing Date 04/27/26

Account Ending



Customer Care & Billing Inquiries
International Collect
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Large Print & Braille Statements

1-800-521-6121
1-623-492-7719
1-800-CASH-NOW
1-800-521-6121

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EL PASO, TX
79998-1535

Payments
PO BOX 60189
CITY OF INDUSTRY
CA
91716-0189

Payments and Credits

Summary

	Total
Payments	-\$6,962.76
Credits	\$0.00
Total Payments and Credits	-\$6,962.76

Detail *Indicates posting date

Payments	Amount
04/04/26* MIKE URBANI PAYMENT RECEIVED - THANK YOU	-\$6,962.76

New Charges

Summary

	Total
MIKE URBANI	\$269.50
PHILLIP MATTESON	\$1,249.13
JACE SANDSTROM	\$200.00
Total New Charges	\$1,718.63

Detail



MIKE URBANI Card
Ending

	Amount
04/01/26 GOOGLE*WORKSPACE PAJAROVALLEYFIRE.COM BUSINESS SERVICE CC GOOGLE.COM	\$50.40
04/20/26 HARBOR FREIGHT TOOLS 875 875 800-444-3353 WATSONVILLE CA	\$8.73
04/20/26 THE UPS STORE 0993-POS0993A-17795076 WIDE FORMAT LAMINATING (SQ FT) WATSONVILLE CA	\$79.02
04/23/26 JONES & BARTLETT LEARNING, LLC 8008320034 BURLINGTON MA	\$131.35



PHILLIP MATTESON
Card Ending

	Amount
03/27/26 AMAZON MARKETPLACE NA PA MERCHANDISE AMZN.COM/BILL WA	\$18.60
04/01/26 FASTRAK VIOLATION CENT 415-486-8655 SAN FRANCISCO CA	\$8.50
04/01/26 AMAZON.COM BOOK STORES AMZN.COM/BILL WA	\$35.03

Detail Continued

				Amount
04/01/26	GOOGLE *YOUTUBE TV DIGITAL GOODS: APPS	G.CO/HELPPAY#	CA	\$82.99
04/10/26	VZWRLSS APOCC VISB BILL PAYMENT	800-922-0204	FL	\$150.40
04/13/26	AMAZON MARKETPLACE NA PA MERCHANDISE	AMZN.COM/BILL	WA	\$60.83
04/13/26	AMAZON MARKETPLACE NA PA MERCHANDISE	AMZN.COM/BILL	WA	\$51.74
04/16/26	AMAZON MARKETPLACE NA PA MERCHANDISE	AMZN.COM/BILL	WA	\$33.93
04/19/26	SPECTRUM 0110072040126 95076	855-707-7328	MO	\$136.24
04/24/26	SONETICS CORPORATION 436845558975743 INV372487 95076	LAKE OSWEGO	OR	\$670.87



JACE SANDSTROM
Card Ending

				Amount
04/09/26	WATSONVILLE METAL COMPANY 000000001 8313320573	WATSONVILLE	CA	\$200.00

Fees

				Amount
Total Fees for this Period				\$0.00

Interest Charged

				Amount
Total Interest Charged for this Period				\$0.00

About Trailing Interest

You may see interest on your next statement even if you pay the new balance in full and on time and make no new charges. This is called "trailing interest". Trailing interest is the interest charged when, for example, you didn't pay your previous balance in full. When that happens, we charge interest from the first day of the billing period until we receive your payment in full. You can avoid paying interest on purchases by paying your balance in full and on time each month. Please see the "When we charge interest" sub-section in your Card Member Agreement for details.

2026 Fees and Interest Totals Year-to-Date

		Amount
Total Fees in 2026		\$0.00
Total Interest in 2026		\$0.00

Interest Charge Calculation

Your Annual Percentage Rate (APR) is the annual interest rate on your account.
Variable APRs will not exceed 29.99%.

	Annual Percentage Rate	Balance Subject to Interest Rate	Interest Charge
Purchases	16.74% (v)	\$0.00	\$0.00



Interest Charge Calculation Continued

Your Annual Percentage Rate (APR) is the annual interest rate on your account.
Variable APRs will not exceed 29.99%.

	Annual Percentage Rate	Balance Subject to Interest Rate	Interest Charge
Cash Advances	28.74% (v)	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total			\$0.00

(v) Variable Rate



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MIKE URBANI
Closing Date 04/27/26

Account Ending

Reward Dollar Summary

**Total Reward Dollars as of Mar 2026 Billing Period Charges
\$499.58**

Beginning Reward Dollar Balance	+323.38
Reward Dollars Accrued*	+176.20
Total Available Balance	+499.58

*Reward Dollars accrued this period are pending until the minimum due is paid and your account is in good standing. Reward Summary information is one billing cycle behind the charges on this billing statement.

Base Reward Dollars

Mar 2026 Billing Period Charges	Qualified Spend \$	Reward Dollars
Eligible Purchases	3,485.12 @0.5%	17.41
Eligible Purchases	-3,593.36 @0.5%	-17.97
Eligible Purchases	7,071.00 @2.5%	176.76
Total	6,962.76	176.20

Important Messages

Remember to pay at least the Minimum Payment Due by the Payment Due Date, to be eligible for reward dollars and to avoid late fees.

Reward Dollars are calculated on each eligible transaction. The reward dollars shown above have been summarized for informational purposes. For specific details, please visit your online statement.

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April 2026 Revenue

Transaction Type = Actual; Revenues/Expenditures = R,(E; Chart Fields = GLKey,Object,FundType

Fiscal Month [10] and Post On [@current-fiscal-year] and Revenues/Expenditures [RV] and GL Key [683100] and Object [41322, 42030, 42380, 42381, 42384, 42450]

Fiscal Year	Fiscal Month	Post On	Document No	Revenues/Expenditure:	GL Key	Object	Amount	Description
Fund Type: 76 – INVESTMT TRUST-LOCAL BOARDS IN								
Object: 41322 – PLAN CHECKING FEES								
2026	10	4/16/2026	DU125012	Revenues	683100	41322	425.80	PLN 04/14/2026
2026	10	4/20/2026	DU125067	Revenues	683100	41322	<u>2,659.51</u>	MAR 2026 CREDIT CARD
Total 41322 – PLAN CHECKING FEES							<u>3,085.31</u>	
Total 76 – INVESTMT TRUST-LOCAL BOARDS IN							<u>3,085.31</u>	
							3,085.31	

April 2026 Expenditures

Transaction Type = Actual; Revenues/Expenditures = R,(E; Chart Fields = GLKey,FundType,Object

Fiscal Month [10] and Post On [@current-fiscal-year] and Revenues/Expenditures [XP] and GL Key [683100]

Fiscal Year	Fiscal Month	Post On	Revenues/Expenditure	GL Key	Object	Amount	Description
Fund Type: 76 – INVESTMT TRUST-LOCAL BOARDS IN							
Object: 61110 – CLOTHING & PERSONAL SUPPLIES							
2026	10	4/10/2026	Expenditures	683100	61110	-961.31	Structure Hoods
Total 61110 – CLOTHING & PERSONAL SUPPLIES						-961.31	
Object: 61222 – TELECOM SERVICES							
2026	10	4/01/2026	Expenditures	683100	61222	-286.64	Tablet/Phone
2026	10	4/10/2026	Expenditures	683100	61222	-100.57	Phone
2026	10	4/10/2026	Expenditures	683100	61222	-62.26	Phone
Total 61222 – TELECOM SERVICES						-449.47	
Object: 61425 – OTHER HOUSEHOLD EXP-SERVICES							
2026	10	4/01/2026	Expenditures	683100	61425	-443.98	FS Supplies
2026	10	4/01/2026	Expenditures	683100	61425	-49.38	Cleaning Supp.
2026	10	4/01/2026	Expenditures	683100	61425	-137.88	FS Supplies
Total 61425 – OTHER HOUSEHOLD EXP-SERVICES						-631.24	
Object: 61720 – MAINT-MOBILE EQUIPMENT-SERV							
2026	10	4/01/2026	Expenditures	683100	61720	-361.88	E-4511 90-Day Inspection
2026	10	4/01/2026	Expenditures	683100	61720	-8,846.84	E-4510 Annual "C" Service
2026	10	4/01/2026	Expenditures	683100	61720	-21.94	Wiper/Blades
2026	10	4/23/2026	Expenditures	683100	61720	-3,688.25	WT-4551 Annual Service
Total 61720 – MAINT-MOBILE EQUIPMENT-SERV						-12,918.91	
Object: 61730 – MAINT-OTH EQUIP-SERVICES							
2026	10	4/23/2026	Expenditures	683100	61730	-1,473.00	AED Annual Service
Total 61730 – MAINT-OTH EQUIP-SERVICES						-1,473.00	
Object: 61848 – MAINT-STRUCT/GRDS-OTH-SRV							
2026	10	4/01/2026	Expenditures	683100	61848	-322.07	Bgtd & Dump
2026	10	4/30/2026	Expenditures	683100	61848		
Total 61848 – MAINT-STRUCT/GRDS-OTH-SRV						-435.07	
Object: 62219 – PC SOFTWARE PURCHASES							
2026	10	4/01/2026	Expenditures	683100	62219	-50.40	Google WS
Total 62219 – PC SOFTWARE PURCHASES						-50.40	

April 2026 Expenditures

Transaction Type = Actual; Revenues/Expenditures = R,(E); Chart Fields = GLKey,FundType,Object

Fiscal Month [10] and Post On [@current-fiscal-year] and Revenues/Expenditures [XP] and GL Key [683100]

Fiscal Year	Fiscal Month	Post On	Revenues/Expenditure	GL Key	Object	Amount	Description
Fund Type: 76 – INVESTMT TRUST-LOCAL BOARDS IN							
Object: 62223 – SUPPLIES							
2026	10	4/01/2026	Expenditures	683100	62223	-45.98	Off. Paper
Total 62223 – SUPPLIES						-45.98	
Object: 62301 – ACCOUNTING AND AUDITING FEES							
2026	10	4/14/2026	Expenditures	683100	62301	-18,090.00	2026 PROPERTY TAX ADMIN FEE
2026	10	4/15/2026	Expenditures	683100	62301	-57.10	2526 PAYROLL CHARGES
2026	10	4/20/2026	Expenditures	683100	62301	-1,834.16	25/26
Total 62301 – ACCOUNTING AND AUDITING FEES						-19,981.26	
Object: 62381 – PROF & SPECIAL SERV-OTHER							
2026	10	4/01/2026	Expenditures	683100	62381	-501,642.51	CF Contract 4th QTR
2026	10	4/01/2026	Expenditures	683100	62381	-107.08	TV & Books
2026	10	4/10/2026	Expenditures	683100	62381	-183.60	Board Mins (Jan-Mar 26)
2026	10	4/23/2026	Expenditures	683100	62381	-720.00	Fire Plan Review 2/28-3/27/26
Total 62381 – PROF & SPECIAL SERV-OTHER						-502,653.19	
Object: 62420 – LEGAL NOTICES							
2026	10	4/23/2026	Expenditures	683100	62420	-1,020.72	Public Notice 26' Ordinance
Total 62420 – LEGAL NOTICES						-1,020.72	
Object: 62715 – SMALL TOOLS & INSTRUMENTS							
2026	10	4/01/2026	Expenditures	683100	62715	-344.17	Fans/PT Tire
Total 62715 – SMALL TOOLS & INSTRUMENTS						-344.17	
Object: 62888 – SPEC DIST EXP-SERVICES							
2026	10	4/01/2026	Expenditures	683100	62888	-766.47	ECC Smoker
2026	10	4/23/2026	Expenditures	683100	62888	-929.76	Rope Harness
Total 62888 – SPEC DIST EXP-SERVICES						-1,696.23	
Object: 62920 – GAS, OIL, FUEL							
2026	10	4/23/2026	Expenditures	683100	62920	-1,220.70	Diesel Fuel
Total 62920 – GAS, OIL, FUEL						-1,220.70	
Object: 63074 – UTILITIES							
2026	10	4/23/2026	Expenditures	683100	63074	-368.37	Trash/Rec.

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Fiscal Year	Fiscal Month	Post On	Revenues/Expenditure:	GL Key	Object	Amount	Description
Fund Type: 76 – INVESTMT TRUST-LOCAL BOARDS IN							
Object: 63074 – UTILITIES							
2026	10	4/30/2026	Expenditures	683100	63074	-1,004.66	Gas/Elect
Total 63074 – UTILITIES						-1,373.03	
Object: 86110 – BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS							
2026	10	4/01/2026	Expenditures	683100	86110	-1,263.87	Plumbing Rpr
2026	10	4/23/2026	Expenditures	683100	86110	-36.55	Misc. Repairs
Total 86110 – BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS						-1,300.42	
Object: 86209 – MOBILE EQUIPMENT							
2026	10	4/01/2026	Expenditures	683100	86209	-3,662.24	B1716 Bdgtd.
Total 86209 – MOBILE EQUIPMENT						-3,662.24	
Total 76 – INVESTMT TRUST-LOCAL BOARDS IN						-550,217.34	
						-550,217.34	



Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District

562 Casserly Road, Watsonville, CA 95076

Chief's Report

May 1st, 2026

To: Board of Directors
From: Mike Urbani, Battalion Chief
Subject: March Chief's Report

General

- Things having been going well and we are trying to finish up purchases of items that were budgeted for.

Emergency Incident Response:

- No significant incidents to report

Apparatus:

- Working on getting quotes for apparatus renumbering.

Training:

- No significant training happened.

Facilities:

- Nothing to report

Personnel:

- Fire Captain Scott Williams a former Engineer that worked at Pajaro Valley for numerous years, is now assigned to the Fire Marshall's Office and working with FC Joe Paquin

Fire Prevention/Community Outreach

- We attended a Fun Day at Alianza School and set up our fire extinguisher prop.
- Assisted Santa Cruz County with trash pick up along Paulsen Rd.

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2228	4/1/26	08:45:36	08:45:43	0:07	E4511	S45 (PAJARO VALLEY FS) @ 562 CASSERLY	MEDICAL	K10A
2236	4/1/26	14:01:04	14:01:11	0:07	E1784	2400 FREEDOM BL / 2 BOWKER RD	MED, TRAFFIC	PV7
2246	4/1/26	17:47:10	17:57:37	10:27	E4511	HECKER PASS RD / 100 RED HAWK PL	MEDICAL	K12
2248	4/1/26	20:58:01	21:07:12	9:11	E4413	BOWKER RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV7
2249	4/2/26	00:31:12	00:42:26	11:14	E4511	PINTO LAKE MOBILE ESTATES @ GREEN	MED, CODE 2	PV4
2253	4/2/26	02:37:13	02:42:53	5:40	E349	FREEDOM BL ,PAJARO_VALLEY	MEDICAL	PV7BZ
2260	4/2/26	10:29:07	10:39:05	9:58	E4511	MURPHY'S CROSSING ,PAJARO_VALLEY	MEDICAL	PV1
2262	4/2/26	11:05:16	11:11:15	5:59	E4413	MEIDL AV ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV5
2263	4/2/26	12:15:44	12:20:11	4:27	E4511	2300 E LAKE AV / 22 COLLEGE RD	FIRE, SMOKE CHECK	PV5
2269	4/2/26	17:56:29	18:07:32	11:03	E4511	DOERING LN ,PAJARO_VALLEY	PA, LIFT ASSIST	PV4
2272	4/2/26	19:23:24	19:32:41	9:17	E4511	PINTO LAKE COUNTY PARK @ GREEN	MED, CODE 2	PV4
2285	4/3/26	15:02:32	15:06:39	4:07	E4412	CALABASAS RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV7
2291	4/3/26	22:07:44	22:13:25	5:41	E4412	AZEVEDO LN ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV7
2305	4/4/26	14:57:36	15:03:06	5:30	E4511	PINTO LAKE MOBILE ESTATES @ GREEN	MEDICAL	PV4
2306	4/4/26	15:27:10	15:31:37	4:27	E4412	60 AIRPORT BL / 130 PAJARO LN	MEDICAL	PV7A
2312	4/4/26	18:54:31	19:04:21	9:50	B1714	RIVERSIDE RD / 2 MURPHY'S CROSSING	MED, TRAFFIC	PV1
2317	4/4/26	23:42:29	23:53:38	11:09	E4511	PINTO LAKE MOBILE ESTATES @ 789 GREEN	PA, LIFT ASSIST	PV4
2320	4/5/26	02:35:02	02:39:25	4:23	E4412	120 EVERGREEN WY / 182 MANFRE RD	MED, TRAFFIC	PV7
2334	4/5/26	14:07:54	14:14:27	6:33	E4511	2300 E LAKE AV / 2 HOLOHAN RD	FIRE, WILDLAND	PV5
2339	4/5/26	15:36:57	15:44:33	7:36	E4511	DETOX CABIN @ GAFFEY RD	MEDICAL	K10A
2351	4/6/26	01:32:08	01:45:34	13:26	E4511	1000 HECKER PASS RD / 10 PACIFIC VIEW	MED, TRAFFIC	K12B
2354	4/6/26	03:57:47	04:06:45	8:58	E4511	WATSONVILLE CHARTER SCH OF ART @ 75	FIRE, COMMERCIAL	PV3
2365	4/6/26	14:35:46	14:38:22	2:36	B1714	2783 FREEDOM BL ,PAJARO_VALLEY	FIRE, VEH PASSENGER	PV7BZ
2385	4/7/26	11:47:26	11:53:42	6:16	E4511	PINTO LAKE MOBILE ESTATES @ GREEN	MEDICAL	PV4
2395	4/7/26	17:11:16	17:17:27	6:11	E4412	AMESTI RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV7A

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2402	4/7/26	22:04:16	22:08:56	4:40	E4412	FREEDOM BL ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV7
2408	4/8/26	09:15:46	09:20:42	4:56	B1716	46 VALLEY VIEW LN ,MOUNT_MADONNA	FIRE, VEH PASSENGER	K10A
2411	4/8/26	11:05:16	11:11:10	5:54	E4511	E LAKE AV / 2 HOLOHAN RD	MEDICAL	PV5
2438	4/9/26	12:55:18	13:01:44	6:26	E4412	AMESTI RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV7A
2445	4/9/26	19:23:59	19:29:33	5:34	E4412	AGATE DR ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV5
2455	4/10/26	09:11:48	09:21:29	9:41	E4511	220 HOLOHAN RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MED, TRAFFIC	PV5
2457	4/10/26	09:30:43	09:34:33	3:50	E4412	FREEDOM BL #B ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV7
2465	4/10/26	12:45:37	12:57:27	11:50	E4511	TAYLOR RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV2A
2473	4/10/26	20:38:23	20:43:47	5:24	E4511	CASSERLY RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY	MEDICAL	PV3
2480	4/11/26	07:44:36	07:52:22	7:46	E4511	2 AMESTI RD / 400 GREEN VALLEY RD	HAZ, ELECTRICAL	PV7A
2483	4/11/26	09:25:07	09:30:27	5:20	E4511	WEBB RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY	MEDICAL	K10A
2504	4/11/26	18:05:40	18:11:07	5:27	E4511	WEBB RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY	MED, VIOLENCE STAGE	PV3
2513	4/11/26	20:46:37	20:50:25	3:48	E4511	GREEN VALLEY RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY	MEDICAL	PV4
2524	4/12/26	05:10:51	05:20:51	10:00	E1774	HAWTHORNE AV ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MED, CODE 2	PV7A
2552	4/13/26	01:07:27	01:16:47	9:20	E4511	2350 E LAKE AV ,PAJARO_VALLEY (LAKEVIEW	FIRE, COMMERCIAL	PV3
2555	4/13/26	08:38:39	08:41:47	3:08	E4412	FREEDOM BL ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV7
2562	4/13/26	18:34:52	18:41:57	7:05	E4412	MANFRE RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV7
2578	4/14/26	14:42:41	14:49:32	6:51	E4413	209 RIVERSIDE RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	FIRE, COMMERCIAL	PV2A
2580	4/14/26	16:19:23	16:24:25	5:02	E4412	MANFRE RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV7
2586	4/14/26	20:48:14	20:56:38	8:24	E4413	CUTTER DR ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV2A
2598	4/15/26	11:17:46	11:18:36	0:50	TRK4471	FREEDOM BL ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV7
2612	4/15/26	22:03:48	22:08:14	4:26	B1714	191 CYPRESS LN ,PAJARO_VALLEY	HAZ, GAS	PV4A
2624	4/16/26	15:31:06	15:40:51	9:45	E4413	BUDDY WY ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV7
2630	4/16/26	20:33:57	20:38:39	4:42	E4412	CALABASAS RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV7
2634	4/17/26	06:26:36	06:40:46	14:10	E4412	MANFRE RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV7
2647	4/17/26	19:47:47	19:50:39	2:52	B1714	972 GREEN VALLEY RD / 2 PIONEER RD	MED, TRAFFIC	K10
2649	4/17/26	22:24:14	22:31:15	7:01	E4413	RIVERSIDE RD / 2 LAKEVIEW RD	MEDICAL	PV2A
2653	4/18/26	06:28:52	06:43:44	14:52	E4511	RIVERSIDE RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV2A
2679	4/18/26	18:15:54	18:28:14	12:20	E4511	MARSH LN ,PAJARO_VALLEY	MEDICAL	PV2
2680	4/18/26	19:58:52	20:06:16	7:24	E4511	DOERING LN ,PAJARO_VALLEY	MEDICAL	PV4
2686	4/19/26	01:55:30	02:04:28	8:58	E4511	LITTLEWAY LN #A ,PAJARO_VALLEY	PA, OTHER	PV4
2698	4/19/26	14:34:27	14:40:32	6:05	E4511	E LAKE AV ,PAJARO_VALLEY	MEDICAL	PV3

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2701	4/19/26	18:33:56	18:44:33	10:37	E4511	STEWART AV ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV7A
2710	4/20/26	05:47:31	05:57:52	10:21	E4511	2350 E LAKE AV ,PAJARO_VALLEY (LAKEVIEW	FIRE, COMMERCIAL	PV3
2720	4/20/26	18:24:32	18:33:14	8:42	WTS-2	FREEDOM BL ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV7
2738	4/21/26	13:50:06	13:53:41	3:35	E4511	MARK AV ,PAJARO_VALLEY	MEDICAL	PV4
2744	4/21/26	16:46:25	16:52:40	6:15	E4511	MASSEI AV ,PAJARO_VALLEY	MEDICAL	PV3
2746	4/21/26	19:45:09	19:48:50	3:41	E4413	130 PAJARO LN / 60 AIRPORT BL	SMOKE CHECK	PV7A
2758	4/22/26	13:12:05	13:22:03	9:58	E1774	MANFRE RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV7
2770	4/22/26	21:54:19	22:02:14	7:55	E4412	BEHLER RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV5
2781	4/23/26	11:19:59	11:30:03	10:04	E1784	AMESTI RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY	MEDICAL	PV4A
2790	4/23/26	19:12:35	19:18:35	6:00	E4511	JOLON DR ,PAJARO_VALLEY	MEDICAL	PV4
2792	4/23/26	21:07:09	21:14:43	7:34	E4511	MONTE VISTA SCHOOL @ SCHOOL WY	MEDICAL	PV4
2795	4/23/26	22:42:32	22:51:34	9:02	E4511	JOLON DR ,PAJARO_VALLEY	MEDICAL	PV4
2797	4/24/26	07:15:33	07:25:59	10:26	E4511	151 SILLIMAN RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY	VEHICLE ACCIDENT	PV1
2798	4/24/26	08:32:33	08:39:50	7:17	E4511	HECKER PASS RD ,MOUNT_MADONNA	PUBLIC ASSIST AGENCY	K12B
2832	4/25/26	17:05:50	17:29:24	23:34	E4511	1398 HECKER PASS RD / POLE LINE RD	VEHICLE ACCIDENT	K12B
2850	4/26/26	10:47:22	10:52:46	5:24	E4412	=L(36.940950,-121.794067)	SMOKE CHECK	PV7
2863	4/27/26	09:24:35	09:32:02	7:27	E4511	NUGENT AV ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV5
2879	4/28/26	09:04:32	09:10:57	6:25	E4511	PINTO LAKE MOBILE ESTATES @ GREEN	MEDICAL	PV4
2889	4/28/26	18:46:54	18:54:32	7:38	E1774	BUENA VISTA DR ,PAJARO_VALLEY_WTS	MEDICAL	PV7
2896	4/29/26	08:44:09	08:48:16	4:07	E1774	FREEDOM BL ,PAJARO_VALLEY	MEDICAL	PV7BZ
2903	4/29/26	17:25:54	17:28:38	2:44	E4511	MOUNT MADONNA RD ,PAJARO_VALLEY	MEDICAL	K10A
2917	4/30/26	11:44:12	11:50:09	5:57	E4511	LESTER CT ,PAJARO_VALLEY	MEDICAL	PV4

Average Elapsed Minutes: **7:15**

Std. Deviation

5.71

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2832	4/25/26	17:05:50	17:29:24	23:34	E4511	1398 HECKER PASS RD / POLE LINE RD	VEHICLE ACCIDENT	K12B
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This call should be excluded. E4511 was dispatched to assist Santa Clara County FD with a vehicle accident, the incident was run on County Fire Primary channel and was in Santa Clara County jurisdiction.

NEW Average Elapsed Minutes:

7:02:28

Std. Deviation

5.69



Watsonville Fire Dept.
April 2026 PV Fire Incidents

Dispatch Alarm Date Time	Incident Number	Type of Call	Incident Location Address	In Service
4/13/2026 8:34	PAJ2600000351	ALTERED_MENTAL_STATUS		4/13/2026 8:37
4/13/2026 18:30	PAJ2600000352	NO_APPROPRIATE_CHOICE	154 MANFRE Road PAJARO VALLEY, CA 95076	4/13/2026 18:34
4/14/2026 14:42	PAJ2600000353	MALFUNCTIONING_ALARM	209 RIVERSIDE Road PAJARO VALLEY, CA 95076	4/14/2026 14:55
4/14/2026 20:47	PAJ2600000356	STROKE_CVA		4/14/2026 21:12
4/14/2026 16:18	PAJ2600000355	FALL		4/14/2026 16:46
4/15/2026 11:15	PAJ2600000358	BREATHING_PROBLEMS		4/15/2026 11:17
4/16/2026 20:31	PAJ2600000361	STROKE_CVA		4/16/2026 20:51
4/17/2026 6:22	PAJ2600000362	ILLNESS		4/17/2026 6:41
4/19/2026 21:06	CZU2600000518	CANCELLED	West BEACH RD / PANABAKER Lane W BEACH AREA, CA 95076	4/19/2026 21:13
4/20/2026 18:22	PAJ2600000373	HEMORRHAGE_LACERATION		4/20/2026 18:58
4/21/2026 19:38	PAJ2600000377	SMOKE_INVESTIGATION	PAJARO LN / AIRPORT Boulevard PAJARO VALLEY, CA 95019	4/21/2026 19:43
4/22/2026 21:53	PAJ2600000381	BREATHING_PROBLEMS		4/22/2026 22:09
4/26/2026 10:43	PAJ2600000390	SMOKE_FROM_NONHOSTILE_SOURCE	DIZON CT / BRADFORD Road BUENA VISTA AREA, CA 95076	4/26/2026 11:19



Watsonville
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Fire Department

"Working with our community to create positive impact through service with heart."

April 20, 2026

Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District
Board of Directors
562 Casserly Rd.
Watsonville, CA 95076

Dear Board of Directors and Chief Wilson,

The City of Watsonville appreciated the opportunity to meet with district board members and staff. The topic of the Watsonville Fire Department's continued service to the contract area is of significant importance to the City and has been carefully evaluated by City staff.

The City's position is that any service contract must reflect more than an hourly rate; it must account for the immediate availability of a fully staffed, fully equipped and dedicated Advanced Life Support (ALS) department. Accordingly, the pricing structure should proportionately reflect this level of readiness and response capability. After thorough analysis, the City has determined that the District's proposal does not adequately capture the full cost recovery associated with maintaining this level of service, nor does it address the service gap impacting the residents of Watsonville.

Under the current contract, the City is significantly under-recovering its costs. The proposed adjustment is intended to more accurately reflect the true cost of delivering and sustaining reliable emergency services. Based on the City's annual fire department budget, and its relationship to the cost of providing fire services to Watsonville residents, the fully burdened cost per call is calculated at \$1,692. While the City values its partnership with the District and shares its commitment to public safety, it cannot continue to provide services under the current contract terms.

As such, the City proposes a rate based on 75% of the fully burdened operational cost per call. This equates to \$1,269 per call, which we propose to round to \$1,200. This adjusted rate represents a partial recovery of operational costs while acknowledging system impacts.

Effective April 20, 2026, this letter serves as the City's formal notice to initiate termination of the current service agreement in accordance with its terms. This action begins the 120-day notice period, during which both parties may continue discussions toward a successor agreement.

The City remains committed to the residents served within the contract area and strongly encourages the District to communicate with those residents no less than 60 days prior to full termination, should the District choose an earlier exit date.

We appreciate your consideration and look forward to the District's response.

Respectfully,

Tamara Vides
City of Watsonville
City Manager

Corey Schaefer
City of Watsonville
Fire Chief



Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District

BESS Ad-Hoc Committee Report

Date: April 27, 2026

To: Pajaro Valley Fire District Board of Directors

From: Pajaro Valley BESS Ad-Hoc Committee Report

Dear Board Members,

The BESS Ad-Hoc Committee was formed to thoroughly investigate issues surrounding Battery Energy Storage Systems, particularly their application within the Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District (District). We understand the community's concerns and the critical importance of ensuring public safety.

Since formation, the Committee has met with the following individuals:

October 22, 2025 committee was started by Chair Martone.

October 27th Ad Hoc Committee attended Supervisor Hernandez BESS Town Hall Meeting

November 4th Met Kris Damhorst, Chair of the Santa Cruz County Commission on the Environment

November 10th Met with Max Christian Senior Project Developer, New Leaf Energy

December 1st Met with Andy Cosentino, Assistant Fire Chief of Fresno County Fire/CAL FIRE

December 8th Met with Phillip Carranco, BESS Battery Consultant

January 9th Met with Jeffrey Small, Capital PFG Consultant

February 11th Met with Joel Mendoza, North County Fire Protection District

We were unsuccessful at scheduling a meeting with California State Fire Marshall Office.

We have engaged with a diverse range of experts, including engineers, fire safety consultants, environmental specialists, and representatives from the BESS industry, gaining valuable insights from all perspectives. Our comprehensive review has informed the following recommendations, which we believe will best protect the citizens of the Pajaro Valley Fire District.

Recommendations:

We recommend directing the Fire Marshal's office to promptly adopt the 2026 version of NFPA 855, the Standard for the Installation of Stationary Energy Storage Systems. This will



Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District **BESS Ad-Hoc Committee Report**

ensure that our district incorporates the most current and comprehensive safety standards for BESS installations.

We recommend directing the Fire Marshal's office to collaborate with other relevant agencies and experts. This collaboration is crucial to ensure that the Pajaro Valley Fire District adopts the most recent codes and ordinances pertaining to BESS, especially in light of the proposed facility on Minto Road.

We recommend directing staff to work with expert consultants to develop and implement codes, ordinances and/or fire service agreements. This will guarantee sufficient and ongoing financial responsibility from BESS operators. This financial provision will enable the District to purchase and maintain all necessary equipment, supplies, and specialized training required to adequately protect citizens in the event of an incident at a BESS facility. The financial responsibility of the BESS operator must be permanent, covering all aspects of preparedness and response.

Should any BESS plans come to fruition and be submitted to the Fire Marshal's office, the District commits to exercising all due care to ensure the facility is as safe as possible. Our application of the most current codes and ordinances, alongside best practices, will be rigorously applied to all aspects, including but not limited to: fire protection, fire suppression, access, monitoring, water supply, water catchment, and any applicable environmental concerns.

We believe that implementing these recommendations will significantly enhance the safety and preparedness of the Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District concerning Battery Energy Storage Systems.

Respectfully,

The BESS Ad-Hoc Committee

Dave Martone, Pajaro Valley Fire Board Chair

Jake Dellamonica, Pajaro Valley Fire Vice Chair

Jed Wilson, Pajaro Valley Fire/CAL FIRE Unit Chief

James Allen, Pajaro Valley Fire/CAL FIRE Deputy Chief

Sam Filson, Pajaro Valley Fire/CAL FIRE Assistant Chief

Mike Urbani, Pajaro Valley Fire/CAL FIRE Battalion Chief

Joe Paquin, Pajaro Valley Fire/CAL FIRE Deputy Fire Marshall

Scott Williams, Pajaro Valley Fire/CAL FIRE Deputy Fire Marshall

CONSULTING SERVICES ORDER

This Consulting Services Order (“CSO”) is an attachment to the Consulting Services Agreement made between the Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District (“District”) and Capitol PFG.

Services:

BESS Project Cost Mitigation Project

- Provide strategic consulting on public and stakeholder communication of District needs as a result of BESS Projects;
- Perform calculations to determine the upfront and annual personnel and capital cost per new unit of BESS Projects within the District;
- Produce and distribute BESS Project Cost reports and presentations as needed;
- Present findings and results of BESS Project Cost reports and updates to District’s Governing Board, as needed.

Based on the anticipated work plan, staff from the District will provide background data, including personnel and capital needs, and other information as requested to Capitol PFG. District staff will be asked to provide feedback and comments on draft BESS Project Cost reports and presentations as needed.

Consulting Service Fee:

An hourly rate of \$250 for time spent on the project with an estimated budget of 50 – 100 hours (\$12,500 - \$25,000) depending on the actual time spent. Travel time for in-person meetings are not included in the estimated budget and would incur additional costs at 50% of the hourly rate and.

Payment Schedule:

Invoiced on a monthly basis.

Pajaro Valley Fire District– Pre- or Post-Merger
Minimum Required Safety Infrastructure

May 2026

90 Minto Road Lithium Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) Facility

Community context: PVFD cannot absorb the cost of protecting this facility. Every item below is additive to the existing operations and must be funded entirely by the developer. None of it should fall on this district or its taxpayers.

Local precedent: In January 2025, 1,200 residents evacuated for 24 hours due to the Moss Landing BESS fire in Monterey County. A facility storing lithium-ion batteries similar to those proposed at 90 Minto Road. The facility operator, Vistra Energy, faced no advance liability requirement.

One-time capital: Confirmed/estimated
\$17M–\$21.6M+
Pending quotes, total will be higher

Annual recurring: Confirmed/estimated
\$1.3M–\$2M+/yr
Pending assessment, total will be higher

* = Confirmed by source

= Partial/estimated

X = Quote needed

Section 1: One-time capital expenditures

Category	Description	Estimated Cost
Apparatus	OshKosh Striker Volterra with Snozzle® high-reach extendable turrets ¹ (2 active, 1 reserve)	~\$2M/unit ~\$6M total #
Robotic Surveillance	Thermite RS3- class units with trailer ² (2)	\$260K-\$277K/unit \$560K-\$620K total*
Station: construction	Purpose-built BESS-ready station within 5 min. of site ³	\$3.5M-\$6M+ #
Station: land	Parcel, site prep, permits, architect/engineering fees ⁴	\$500K-\$2M+ #
Communication & dispatch equipment	CAD integration, radios, hardware	~\$75K-\$150K #
High-capacity hydrants	Dedicated hydrants near site 1,500-4,000 GPM per CA Fire Code ⁵	~\$200K-\$500K #
Decontamination	Dedicated decon facility. Required after every BESS incident	TBD X
Water supply	Tanks, hydrant upgrades, pumping capacity near site	TBD X
Protective equipment	Full hazmat PPE per NFPA 1970 (2024)-- PAH/nanoparticle specific ⁶	\$15K-\$25K/person \$225K-\$375K total #
BESS training	Full crew certification before station operational ⁹	TBD X
Vehicle reserve	Fleet replacement over 25-year facility life ⁸	~\$6M+ (25-years) #
Confirmed/estimated total (TBD items not included)		~\$17M-\$21.6M+

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Section 2: Annual recurring expenditures		
Category	Description	Estimated Cost
Personnel	Captain & crew, 100% staffed including benefits, CalPERS, OT ⁹	\$1M-\$1.5M *
BESS operations	Equipment, monitoring, maintenance, consumables	TBD X
Annual training	Updated BESS protocols, hazmat refreshers, live exercises ⁹	\$25K-\$75K #
PPE replacement	Periodic gear replacement per NFPA 1970—accelerated for BESS ⁶	\$18K-\$75K #
Medical surveillance	Annual exams per NFPA 1582 + OSHA HAZWOPER ¹⁰	\$18K-\$45K *
Fire marshal support	Dedicated or partial FTE for BESS oversight and compliance ¹¹	~\$160K-\$176K/yr *
NetCom dispatch capacity	Developer contribution to NetCom staffing increase required to handle BESS facility call volume ¹² NetCom is currently understaffed and cannot absorb additional demand.	~\$50K-\$100K#
Community outreach & education	Materials, meetings, multilingual resources	~\$15K-\$40K#
Confirmed/estimated total (TBD items not included)		~\$1.3-\$2M+/year

Section 3: 25-year lifecycle notes	
Item	Note
Vehicle replacement	~\$6M+ additional; ARFF useful life 10-15 years ⁷
Facility renovation	Typically required at 20-25 years
Regulatory escalation	NFPA 855, NFPA 1970, EPA guidance actively evolving

Sources:

- [1] OshKosh Striker Volterra: oshkoshairport.com
- [2] Thermite RS3 purchase price: lafd.org/news/lafd-debuts-rs3-first-robotic-firefighting-vehicle-united-states
- [3] Station construction & capital costs: pajarovalleyfire.com (PVFD Engineer's Report FY 2024-25)
- [4] Santa Cruz County land pricing: landsearch.com
- [5] Fire hydrant flow requirements: CA Fire Code Appendix B & C
- [6] PPE standard: usfa.fema.gov (NFPA 1970, 2024)
- [7] Fleet replacement lifecycle: pajarovalleyfire.com (PVFD Engineer's Report, Capital Budget 683120)
- [8] CA firefighter compensation: calhr.ca.gov
- [9] BESS training pricing: energy.gov; bakerrisk.com
- [10] Medical surveillance standard: udshealth.com (NFPA 1582 + OSHA HAZWOPER)
- [11] Fire marshal salary: centralfiresc.org (Central FPD of Santa Cruz County Salary Schedule 2025)
- [12] NetCom dispatch staffing: scr911.org
- [13] Fresno County BESS fire mitigation payments: energy-storage.news (June 2025)

Funding mechanism: All costs are to be paid by the developer and operator through: 1. Upfront capital contribution and 2. Annual licensing adjusted for inflation for the full operational life of the facility. For context, in 2025 Fresno County required a comparable BESS developer to pay a \$10.35M upfront mitigation payment plus \$3.45M¹³ annually. No costs should fall upon this district or its taxpayers.



Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District Staff Report

To: Board of Directors

From: LAFCO Ad Hoc Committee

Date: May 13th, 2026

Subject: Dissolution of the Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District LAFCO Ad Hoc Committee

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the Board dissolve the LAFCO Ad Hoc Committee, as the committee has completed its assigned tasks related to monitoring and supporting the Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District's (District) Santa Cruz County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) matters associated with discussions of reorganization between the District, LAFCO and The County of Santa Cruz, County Fire CSA 48 (County).

Background:

The Board established the LAFCO Ad Hoc Committee towards the end of 2024 to participate in and monitor activities related to potential reorganization actions involving the District, LAFCO and the County. The committee served in coordination, reviewed preliminary conceptual materials, and tracked LAFCO's procedural steps related to any possible reorganization application.

Over the past several months, the District has received updates through the LAFCO Ad Hoc Committee and public LAFCO communications indicating that most of the initial work has been completed and that information has been shared with the District. Any future steps would require separate Board direction and formal processes initiated either by District, the County, or LAFCO. With the initial tasks complete, there are no remaining activities requiring continued work by the LAFCO Ad Hoc Committee.

Consistent with the Brown Act requirements for ad hoc committees, the committee was created as a temporary body with a specific and limited purpose. That purpose has now been fulfilled.

Discussion:

Dissolution of the LAFCO Ad Hoc Committee will formally conclude its temporary role and clarify that any future efforts related to potential reorganization between District, LAFCO and the County will be handled through new Board actions, separate committee assignments, or direct staff engagement as needed. This step also aligns with best governance practices by ensuring that temporary committees do not continue beyond the scope of their intended responsibilities.

If the Board chooses to pursue further coordination or negotiation work related to the proposed reorganization, establishment of a new ad hoc committee, such as the proposed Reorganization Ad Hoc Committee, would be appropriate at that time.



Meeting 1 (IN-PERSON): **Saturday, May 23, 2026 at 10am**

Location: 562 Casserly Rd, Watsonville, CA (Casserly Hall)

Meeting 2 (VIRTUAL): **Tuesday, May 26, 2026 at 6pm**

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88276568904> (Passcode: 765273)

“PAJARO VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT REORGANIZATION”

Spring 2026

STRENGTHENING FIRE PROTECTION FOR THE PAJARO VALLEY

Reliable fire protection and emergency medical services are essential to protecting lives, property, and the long-term resilience of the Pajaro Valley community. As emergency call volumes continue to rise, ensuring dependable, well-staffed fire services have never been more critical.

To meet these growing challenges, the Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District (PVFPD), the County of Santa Cruz (through Santa Cruz County Fire Department), and the Santa Cruz County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) are evaluating a fire service reorganization designed to secure stable, high-quality service for the community now and into the future. Under this proposed reorganization the PVFPD would be dissolved and its service area annexed into Santa Cruz County Fire Department (CSA 48).

This reorganization allows the community to benefit from the strength and resources of a larger, well-established fire department. CSA 48 will guarantee a minimum of three firefighters on duty at all times and will fully fund

essential operations, including staffing, equipment, vehicle replacement and facility maintenance. These commitments ensure consistent service levels and improve both firefighter and public safety.

You may have questions about the proposed fire reorganization, such as – *What’s wrong with the status quo? Will costs go up? Will the level of service get better? What happens to the firefighters & the current fire station?*

These are all valid and important questions, which is why PVFPD, CSA 48, and LAFCO are scheduling a number of community workshops to address any concerns that you and/or your neighbors may have about the reorganization. The workshops are scheduled to be held in May, as shown at the top of this flyer. Please refer to PVFPD’s website for more information: <https://www.pajarovalleyfire.com/>.

In the meantime, please refer to the back of this flyer to review frequently asked questions regarding the proposed fire reorganization.

Frequently Asked Questions

Why is this reorganization necessary? Operating a small, stand-alone fire district has become increasingly difficult and financially unsustainable. In July 2025, funding limitations forced PVFPD to reduce staffing from three personnel on duty to two, an outcome that affected both emergency response capability and firefighter safety. The proposed reorganization restores three-person staffing and provides long-term stability by integrating Pajaro Valley service into a larger, better-resourced system.

Why not pursue additional local funding? Over several years, PVFPD explored multiple funding solutions, including a ballot measure, bond measure and Proposition 218 assessments. Despite extensive outreach and analysis, these options failed to gain sufficient support from the community. After careful consideration, the PVFPD Board determined the reorganization offered the most responsible, equitable, and sustainable solution.

What does this mean for the community? Property owners would contribute to the existing CSA 48 benefit assessments, which supports a higher and more consistent level of fire and emergency services across PVFPD. In return, the community gains restored staffing, improved operational reliability, and access to greater resources, without losing local service or station presence.

Will services improve? Yes. PVFPD will be staffed with a minimum of three personnel at all times, ensuring an efficient response, enhanced community benefit, improved countywide fire resilience, and modern emergency service delivery.

What about the firefighters and the local station? There will be no loss of firefighter positions and no closure of the local fire station. PVFPD's existing contract with CAL FIRE will continue, allowing for a seamless transition and continuity of service, as CAL FIRE already provides services within CSA 48.

By working together, local and county agencies can deliver the level of protection the PVFPD community deserves. This reorganization preserves the community's identity while strengthening its ability to respond to fires, medical emergencies, and natural disasters, into the future.

Questions or Comments? Community members are encouraged to share questions or concerns by contacting: info@santacruzlaflco.org. Don't forget to attend the upcoming workshops. **Not available?** The recording of the virtual workshop will be available online by May 29, 2026.

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Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District Staff Report

To: Board of Directors

From: Staff

Date: May 13th, 2026

Subject:

Establishment of a Reorganization Ad Hoc Committee to support and prepare for future steps in the proposed reorganization between the Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District and The County of Santa Cruz, County Fire CSA 48.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the Board Chair establish a Reorganization Ad Hoc Committee, consisting of two Board members, to provide clear Board level participation, oversight, and preparation for the next stages of the proposed reorganization with the County of Santa Cruz, County Fire CSA 48.

Background:

The Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District (District) and the County of Santa Cruz, County Fire CSA 48 (County), are continuing to evaluate the potential reorganization of fire protection services. As the process moves forward, the District will be required to review and respond to new information, participate in meetings, evaluate preliminary proposals, and prepare for potential future actions involving operational, financial, governance, and Santa Cruz County Local Area Formation Commission (LAFCO) related steps.

The District previously relied on the LAFCO Ad Hoc Committee to conduct information gathering, attend meetings, LAFCO application requirements and prepare LAFCO application documents. With that committee's work now complete, staff recommends forming a new committee specifically focused on helping the District prepare for and navigate the future phases of the reorganization process.

Discussion:

The purpose of the Reorganization Ad Hoc Committee is to ensure the Board has a clear, structured, and informed presence as the reorganization process advances. The committee will help the District stay aligned, prepared, and responsive by:

- Acting as the Board's representatives in reorganization related meetings with LAFCO, the County, and the public.
- Helping staff understand Board priorities, concerns, and information needs
- Reviewing materials and proposals that will inform future Board decisions
- Monitoring procedural requirements, timelines, and next steps for any potential LAFCO application needs
- Assisting the District in preparing for decisions the Board may be asked to make as the process continues
- Reporting regularly to the full Board to ensure transparency and understanding

This ad hoc committee is designed to be temporary, focused, and task-specific. It will dissolve once the reorganization work is complete or at the direction of the Board Chair.



Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District **Staff Report**

Fiscal Impact:

None at this time. Any financial considerations associated with future reorganization activities will be presented separately.

PAJARO VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-04

RESOLUTION REQUESTING TEMPORARY TRANSFER OF FUNDS

WHEREAS, the Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District is in need of financial assistance during the period of July 1, 2026 to April 30, 2027: and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz has, by Resolution, declared its approval of and intention to provide needed tax anticipation funds pursuant of Constitution Article XVI, Section 6;

1. The sum of \$400,000.00 dollars is needed in anticipation of tax revenues for the operation and maintenance of said District until tax revenues are collected for the fiscal year.
2. Said sum of \$400,000.00 does not exceed 85% of the anticipated tax revenues for the tax year.
3. The District agrees to repay this loan by April 30, 2027 from the first tax revenue investments by the County as determined by the County Tax Treasurer.
4. The Secretary of this Board shall forward three certified copies of this resolution to the Auditor-Controller of the County of Santa Cruz so that the request may be signed and presented to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, the 13th day of May 2026, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT:

Attested: _____
Board Clerk Mike Urbani

Board Chair Dave Martone

REVIEWED AND RECOMMENDED:

Auditor-Controller

Treasurer-Tax Collector

Date

Date



Please Insist on New Fire Code Adoption and CEC Consultation re: Seahawk BESS Project at 90 Minto Road

From Becky Steinbruner <ki6tkb@yahoo.com>

Date Thu 5/7/2026 7:50 AM

To Dave Martone <dave.martone@pajarovalleyfire.com>; Urbani, Mike@CALFIRE <Mike.Urbani@fire.ca.gov>; Wilson, Jed@CALFIRE <Jed.Wilson@fire.ca.gov>

Cc Paquin, Joe@CALFIRE <Joe.Paquin@fire.ca.gov>; Becky Steinbruner <ki6tkb@yahoo.com>

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Report Suspicious

Dear Pajaro Valley Fire Protection District Board, Chief Urbani and Chief Wilson, New Leaf Energy has recently announced plans to file an application with the California Energy Commission (CEC) for Opt-In Certification permitting of the Seahawk BESS Project at 90 Minto Road.

I believe that this means your District will now consult with the CEC regarding the Project's design and fire safety codes:

- **CA SB 283: Clean Energy Safety Act: Requires documented pre-application consultation with the fire authority and a pre-operation fire inspection before energization.** Also directs Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM) to review and consider proposing siting provisions in the next Title 24 cycle considered after July 1, 2026, such as limiting indoor ESS to dedicated-use noncombustible buildings or encouraging outdoor installations. For locally permitted projects, SB 283 applies to ESS 10 MWh or larger. **For very large projects using the CEC Opt-In pathway under AB 205 (generally 200 MWh or larger), the same consultation and inspection concepts apply on the CEC track.**

Fire Officials: Gain early and clear authority in the development process. Use pre-application consultations to shape submittals, testing and site conditions, and treat the pre-operation inspection as a formal energization checkpoint based on local and state fire codes

Engineers & Fire Protection Professionals: Translate UL 9540A test data into enforceable design limits, align control logic with tactical operations and ensure documentation and testing packages support first-pass inspection success.

<https://bowman.com/news/a-simplified-break-down-of-californias-battery-safety-chain-legislation>

SB 283 requires the State Fire Codes be used and enforced for BESS fire safety design and inspections.

*Staying current with NFPA codes is important, but it's equally important to remember that **NFPA standards don't become law until they're adopted by a local jurisdiction.** Adoption timelines vary widely: some states or municipalities update on a regular cycle, while others may lag years behind the newest editions. On top of that, some localities adopt codes that go above and beyond NFPA guidelines to meet local needs.*

<https://summitfiresecurity.com/insights/blog/fire-and-life-safety-in-2026-key-nfpa-code-updates-what-they-mean-for-your-business/>

Since the County of Santa Cruz will not be adopting the 2026 State Fire Codes that include updated BESS fire safety protections until 2029, I urge your Board to adopt the 2026 State Fire Codes as soon as possible to ensure the most protective level of BESS fire safety within your District.

Please respond. Thank you.
Sincerely,
Becky Steinbruner