



# City of Santa Clara

## Meeting Agenda

### Governance and Ethics Committee

#### Special Meeting

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**Friday, January 16, 2026**

**10:00 AM**

**City Hall - East Wing  
Sparacino Conference Room  
1500 Warburton Avenue  
Santa Clara, CA 95050**

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#### **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

#### **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

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#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

1. **26-36** [Approval of the October 30, 2025 Governance and Ethics Committee Special Meeting Minutes](#)

**Recommendation:** Approve the minutes of the October 30, 2025 Governance and Ethics Committee Special Meeting

2. **26-37** [Presentation by Outside Consultant for the Review of and Recommendations Regarding Potential Adoption of Ethics Commission and the Approval of Proposed Changes to City's Ethics Policies Previously Presented to Committee](#)

**Recommendation:**

1. Receive Consultant's Report and Provide Input or Direction Regarding Consultant's Recommendations on a Potential Ethics Commission or Alternatives
2. Review and Possible Action to Recommend to the Council Approval of Proposed Changes to City's Ethics Policies Previously Presented to Committee

**STAFF REPORT**

2026 Meeting Schedule: March 2, 2026, June 1, 2026, September 14, 2026, December 7, 2026.

**COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS / FUTURE REFERRALS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**ADJOURNMENT**

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