

RESOLUTION NO. xxxx-2026

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT BRAGG AUTHORIZING THE TRANSITION FROM A CASH-BASED FLEET VEHICLE PURCHASE MODEL TO A FLEET LEASING PROGRAM WITH ENTERPRISE FLEET MANAGEMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Bragg maintains a fleet of vehicles essential to delivering public services across departments including Public Works, Police, and Parks and Recreation; and

WHEREAS, the City has historically acquired fleet vehicles through outright cash purchases, resulting in large capital expenditures, inconsistent replacement cycles, and an aging fleet inventory; and

WHEREAS, aging fleet vehicles contribute to increased maintenance costs, reduced reliability, and operational inefficiencies; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has identified fiscal sustainability, operational efficiency, and modern asset management as key priorities under the City's Strategic Plan; and

WHEREAS, staff has evaluated alternative fleet management strategies and determined that a structured fleet leasing program provides improved lifecycle management, predictable budgeting, and enhanced operational performance; and

WHEREAS, Enterprise Fleet Management is a nationally recognized provider of fleet leasing and management services with experience supporting public agencies in implementing data-driven fleet replacement programs; and

WHEREAS, Enterprise Fleet Management offers an open-ended equity lease structure that allows the City to retain flexibility in vehicle replacement and disposal while optimizing resale value; and

WHEREAS, transitioning to a fleet leasing model will allow the City to replace vehicles based on lifecycle and operational needs rather than available capital, improving service reliability and reducing long-term costs; and

WHEREAS, the proposed transition supports the City's goals of financial stability, operational excellence, and modernization of municipal services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg hereby approves:

Section 1. Approval of Fleet Leasing Program

The City Council hereby approves the transition from a cash-based fleet vehicle acquisition model to a fleet leasing program to support a structured, lifecycle-based fleet replacement strategy.

Section 2. Authorization to Execute Agreement

The City Manager is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute an agreement with Enterprise Fleet Management, in a form approved by the City Attorney, for the purpose of implementing a fleet leasing and management program.

Section 3. Implementation Authority

The City Manager, or designee, is authorized to take all necessary and appropriate actions to implement the fleet leasing program, including:

- Conducting a comprehensive fleet assessment
- Developing and implementing a multi-year fleet replacement plan
- Entering into individual vehicle lease schedules
- Disposing of surplus or replaced vehicles in accordance with City policy

Section 4. Budget Integration

Fleet leasing costs shall be incorporated into the City’s annual operating budget, and staff shall return to the City Council as part of the budget process with recommended fleet replacement schedules and associated financial impacts.

Section 5. CEQA

This action is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378, as it is an organizational and administrative activity that will not result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

The above and foregoing Resolution was introduced by _____, seconded by _____, and passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg held on the 27th day of April, 2026, by the following vote:

**AYES:
NOES:**

**ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:
RECUSED:**

**JASON GODEKE
Mayor**

ATTEST:

**Diana Paoli
City Clerk**