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CITY OF UKIAH ENDS ANNEXATION PROPOSAL

Current proposal will not advance; work to address regional service challenges must continue

Ukiah, CA. August 31, 2026. – Following careful consideration of the public input received throughout the process, the City of Ukiah’s City Council Annexation Ad Hoc Committee is suspending work on the annexation initiative and will not advance further efforts to revise the draft proposal.

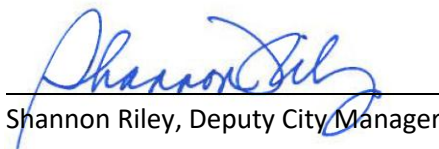
During the past two years, the City developed technical, environmental, and fiscal analyses and received input through workshops, public hearings, written comments, and individual conversations. That input reflected differing perspectives and raised questions about the proposed boundaries, costs, service capacity, land use, representation, and the public process.

The feedback received made clear that the current proposal does not have the foundation of public support and shared understanding needed to proceed constructively.

“People can disagree about the best long-term structure for serving the Ukiah Valley,” said City Manager Sage Sangiacomo. “Continuing to advance the current proposal would not build the trust and shared understanding needed for a decision of this significance. At the same time, the regional service and infrastructure pressures that prompted this discussion have not gone away.”

Across the Ukiah Valley, aging infrastructure, increasing service demands, limited housing supply, the need for greater economic growth and job opportunities, and responsibilities divided among multiple jurisdictions continue to create regional challenges.

The City remains committed to working constructively with its regional partners and the broader community to address these shared challenges and opportunities.



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