



## ORLAND CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, December 05, 2023 at 6:30 PM  
Carnegie Center, 912 Third Street and Via Zoom

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**City Council:** Chris Dobbs, Mayor | Bruce T. Roundy, Vice-Mayor

Jeffrey A. Tolley | John McDermott | Matthew Romano

**City Manager:** Peter R. Carr

**City Officials:** Jennifer Schmitke, City Clerk

**Virtual Meeting Information:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87412548263>

**Webinar ID: 8874 1254 8263 | Zoom Telephone: 1 (669) 900-9128**

Public comments are welcomed and encouraged in advance of the meeting by emailing the City Clerk at [jtschmitke@cityoforland.com](mailto:jtschmitke@cityoforland.com) or by phone at (530) 865-1610 by 4:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting

**1. CALL TO ORDER - 6:00 PM**

**2. ROLL CALL**

Comments from the public are welcomed. The Mayor will announce the opportunity for comments related to each action item on the agenda. Please limit your comments to three minutes per topic, and one comment per person per topic. Once the public comment period is closed, please allow the Council the opportunity to continue its consideration of the item without interruption.

**3. CLOSED SESSION**

**A.** Public Comments: The Public will have an opportunity to directly address the legislative body on the item below prior to the Council convening into closed session. Public comments are generally restricted to three minutes.

**B. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**

Pursuant to Government Code Section: 54957

Position: City Manager

**4. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION - 6:30 P.M.**

**5. CALL TO ORDER - 6:30 PM**

**6. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

(If the Closed Session is not completed before 6:30 P.M., it will resume immediately following the Regular Session.)

**7. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**8. ELECTION OF MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR - Jennifer Schmitke, City Clerk**

- A. Request nominations for Mayor for 2023-2024; after close of nomination, City Clerk requests votes for those nominated; City Clerk declares results of election.
- B. Request nominations for Vice Mayor for 2023-2024; after close of nomination, City Clerk requests votes for those nominated; City Clerk declares results of election.
- C. New Mayor and Vice Mayor are Seated

**9. CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS - Mayor**

- [A.](#) City Council 2024 Appointments to Boards and Commissions - Mayor (Pg.3)

**10. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- [A.](#) Warrant List (Payable Obligations) (Pg.5)
- [B.](#) Approve City Council Minutes for November 21, 2023 (Pg.10)
- [C.](#) Receive and File Planning Commission minutes from October 19, 2023 (Pg.15)
- [D.](#) Agreement with Department of Water Resources for "Urban and Multi-benefit Drought Relief Grant" Funds (Pg.18)

**11. PRESENTATION - Public Works Department and Engineering Annual Presentation**

**12. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

- [A.](#) ARPA Budget Update (Discussion/Action)-City Manager, Pete Carr (20 min) (Pg.20)
- [B.](#) Consider Opposition to Proposed "Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act" November 2024 Ballot Measure (Discussion/Action) - City Manager, Pete Carr (15 min) (Pg.24)

**13. ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

**Public Comments:**

Members of the public wishing to address the Council on any item(s) not on the agenda may do so at this time when recognized by the Mayor. However, no formal action or discussion will be taken unless placed on a future agenda. The public is advised to limit discussion to one presentation per individual. While not required, please state your name and place of residence for the record. Please direct your comments to the Mayor or Vice Mayor. (Public Comments will be limited to three minutes).

**14. CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS**

**15. ADJOURN**

**CERTIFICATION:** Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(a), the agenda for this meeting was properly posted on December 1, 2023.

A complete agenda packet is available for public inspection during normal business hours at City Hall, 815 Fourth Street, in Orland or on the City's website at [www.cityoforland.com](http://www.cityoforland.com) where meeting minutes and audio recordings are also available.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Orland will make available to members of the public any special assistance necessary to participate in this meeting. The public should contact the City Clerk's Office 530-865-1610 to make such a request. Notification 72 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting.

**2024 Council Appointments to Boards and Commissions**  
Updated December 1, 2023

**City Commissions**

Arts  
3<sup>rd</sup> Wed, monthly, 7 pm  
Roundy  
Romano (alternate)

Economic Development (EDC)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tues, every odd month, 6 pm  
Romano  
Tolley (alternate)

Library  
2<sup>nd</sup> Mon, every other month, 5:00 pm  
Dobbs  
McDermott (alternate)

Parks & Recreation  
4<sup>th</sup> Wed, meets when called, 6:30 pm  
Roundy  
Tolley (alternate)

Planning  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs, monthly, 5:30 pm  
McDermott  
Tolley (alternate)

Public Works/Safety  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tues, every even month, 4 pm  
Roundy  
McDermott (alternate)

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**City Selection Committee** Mayor

**County Committees**

Joint City/County EDC  
Romano  
Tolley

LAFCo  
Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday, 9 am, monthly  
County pays \$25 monthly stipend  
Bruce Roundy (member) appt. until May 2025  
**(Orland will need to choose an alternate seat for the 2024 year)**  
(Alternate switches between Orland & Willows  
2023 alternate appointment is from Willows)

Transit Committee  
Meets with Local Transportation Comm.  
County pays \$50 monthly stipend  
Roundy  
Romano  
Tolley (alternate)

Transportation Commission  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs, monthly, 10 am,  
County pays \$50 monthly stipend  
Roundy  
Romano

Waste Management Regional Agency (2023 two rep year)

Romano  
Tolley  
Dobbs (alternate)

Air Pollution Control District Board (Council minute order if City asked to serve on board)

Mayor  
Vice Mayor, alternate

Airport Land Use Commission  
No meeting schedule

Dobbs  
No alternates on this commission

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Fire Department Liaison  
2<sup>nd</sup> Mon, monthly, dinner 7 pm, meeting 8pm

Dobbs  
McDermott (alternate)

Glenn County Groundwater Sustainability Agency

Roundy  
Pete Carr (alternate)  
Ed Vonasek (alternate)

Golden State Risk Management  
2<sup>nd</sup> Wed every other month, 6 pm  
*GSRMA pays \$100 per meeting stipend*

(Orland does not have representation at this time).

Cal Cities  
(a.k.a League of California Cities)

Roundy  
Romano (Alternate)

Orland Area Chamber of Commerce  
*Board -3<sup>rd</sup> Wed, monthly, noon*

Romano  
Tolley (alternate)

Orland Unit Water Users' Assoc  
Voting delegate

Dobbs

Code Enforcement Hearing Officer

Tolley  
Romano (alternate)

**NEW: Queen Bee Capital Board** **TBD**

**NEW: Resource Conservation District** **TBD**

**NEW: Glenn County Senior Wellness Roundtable** **TBD**

**New: Glenn County Continuum of Care** **TBD**

**CITY COUNCIL**

Chris Dobbs, Mayor  
Bruce T. Roundy, Vice-Mayor  
Jeffrey A. Tolley  
John McDermott  
Mathew Romano

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**CITY OFFICIALS**

Jennifer Schmitke  
City Clerk

Leticia Espinosa  
City Treasurer

**CITY MANAGER**

Peter R. Carr

## WARRANT LIST

December 5, 2023

Payroll Compensation #24	11/30/2023	\$	139,583.57
Warrant	11/30/2023	\$	409,649.05
PERS 10/19/23 - 11/1/23	11/20/2023	\$	28,584.86
Wire Yiftee Queen Bee Bucks	11/22/2023	\$	20,000.00
			\$ 597,817.48

**APPROVED BY**

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Mayor, Chris Dobbs

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Vice-Mayor, Bruce T. Roundy

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Councilmember, Jeffrey A. Tolley

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Councilmember, John McDermott

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Councilmember, Mathew Romano

REPORT.: 11/30/23  
 RUN...: 11/30/23 Time: 15:10  
 Run By.: Deysy Guerrero

CITY OF ORLAND  
 Warrant Register

10. A.

Warrant Number	Date	Payroll Date	**Employee** Num	Name	Actual Period	Fiscal Period	Gross Amount
14628	11/30/23	11/29/23	PER00	PEREZ, MARGARITA T	11-23	05-24	2086.39
14629	11/30/23	11/29/23	ROD02	RODRIGUEZ, ADRIANNA	11-23	05-24	62.00
14630	11/30/23	11/29/23	SUA03	SUAREZ, ARMANDO RUEDA	11-23	05-24	2081.08
Z07373	11/30/23	11/29/23	ALV01	ALVA, MICAELA	11-23	05-24	2214.15
Z07374	11/30/23	11/29/23	AND00	ANDRADE, EDGAR	11-23	05-24	3681.52
Z07375	11/30/23	11/29/23	BAR02	BARBER, ZACHARY	11-23	05-24	2657.92
Z07376	11/30/23	11/29/23	BLA00	BLAKE , CHRISTINA	11-23	05-24	136.00
Z07377	11/30/23	11/29/23	BOW00	BOWERS, LINDA	11-23	05-24	424.32
Z07378	11/30/23	11/29/23	CAR03	CARR, PETER R	11-23	05-24	6153.85
Z07379	11/30/23	11/29/23	CES00	CESSNA, KYLE A	11-23	05-24	5390.26
Z07380	11/30/23	11/29/23	CHA01	CHANEY, JUSTIN	11-23	05-24	4753.08
Z07381	11/30/23	11/29/23	CON00	CONTRERAS, ISAAC	11-23	05-24	102.00
Z07382	11/30/23	11/29/23	COR00	CORTES, JOVANY	11-23	05-24	2173.91
Z07383	11/30/23	11/29/23	CRA00	CRANDALL, JEREMY	11-23	05-24	2402.25
Z07384	11/30/23	11/29/23	EHO00	EHORN, CAITLIN A	11-23	05-24	700.00
Z07385	11/30/23	11/29/23	ESP00	ESPINOSA, LETICIA	11-23	05-24	2236.02
Z07386	11/30/23	11/29/23	ESQ01	ESQUIVEL, ITZEL	11-23	05-24	160.00
Z07387	11/30/23	11/29/23	FEN03	FENSKE, JOSEPH H	11-23	05-24	3077.83
Z07388	11/30/23	11/29/23	FLO00	FLORES, JOSE D	11-23	05-24	3962.34
Z07389	11/30/23	11/29/23	GAL00	GALVAN, ROSAURA	11-23	05-24	544.00
Z07390	11/30/23	11/29/23	GAM00	GAMBOA, YADIRA	11-23	05-24	239.83
Z07391	11/30/23	11/29/23	GAR01	GARIBAY, ELIZABETH	11-23	05-24	1631.32
Z07392	11/30/23	11/29/23	GUE01	GUERRERO, DEYSY D	11-23	05-24	2700.00
Z07393	11/30/23	11/29/23	GUE02	GUERRERO, JORGE	11-23	05-24	2323.45
Z07394	11/30/23	11/29/23	HAR00	ZOLLERHARRIS, TRAVIS	11-23	05-24	2160.13
Z07395	11/30/23	11/29/23	HEN00	HENDERSON, OLIVIA	11-23	05-24	114.00
Z07396	11/30/23	11/29/23	JOH01	JOHNSON, SEAN KARL	11-23	05-24	4957.07
Z07397	11/30/23	11/29/23	LOP01	LOPEZ, ESAU	11-23	05-24	1728.00
Z07398	11/30/23	11/29/23	LOP02	LOPEZ, JOEL	11-23	05-24	1848.33
Z07399	11/30/23	11/29/23	LOW00	LOWERY, KATHERINE	11-23	05-24	3752.41
Z07400	11/30/23	11/29/23	MAR02	MARTINDALE, RYAN EUGENE	11-23	05-24	3320.32
Z07401	11/30/23	11/29/23	MEJ00	APARICIO, LILIA MEJIA	11-23	05-24	2901.86
Z07402	11/30/23	11/29/23	MEZ00	MEZA, JODY L	11-23	05-24	4312.10
Z07403	11/30/23	11/29/23	MIL00	MILLS, DARYL A	11-23	05-24	3408.51
Z07404	11/30/23	11/29/23	MON03	MONDRAGON, MEAGAN N	11-23	05-24	1535.56
Z07405	11/30/23	11/29/23	MOR03	MORECI, RORY	11-23	05-24	96.00
Z07406	11/30/23	11/29/23	MYE00	MYERS, KEVIN	11-23	05-24	684.76
Z07407	11/30/23	11/29/23	OLI00	OLIVER, LINDA	11-23	05-24	282.88
Z07408	11/30/23	11/29/23	ORO03	OROZCO, ETHAN	11-23	05-24	93.00
Z07409	11/30/23	11/29/23	ORO04	OROZCO, JORDAN	11-23	05-24	102.00
Z07410	11/30/23	11/29/23	OVA00	OVARD, CONNOR	11-23	05-24	102.00
Z07411	11/30/23	11/29/23	PAN00	PANIAGUA, BLANCA A	11-23	05-24	726.94
Z07412	11/30/23	11/29/23	PEN01	PENDERGRASS, REBECCA A	11-23	05-24	3840.01
Z07413	11/30/23	11/29/23	PIN00	PINEDO, EDGAR ESTEBAN	11-23	05-24	3339.97
Z07414	11/30/23	11/29/23	POR00	PORRAS, ESTEL	11-23	05-24	1991.56
Z07415	11/30/23	11/29/23	PUN00	PUNZO, GUILLERMO	11-23	05-24	2202.87
Z07416	11/30/23	11/29/23	RIC01	RICE, GERALD W	11-23	05-24	2583.80
Z07417	11/30/23	11/29/23	RIV00	RIVERA, ISRAEL	11-23	05-24	2218.82
Z07418	11/30/23	11/29/23	ROD00	RODRIGUES, ANTHONY	11-23	05-24	2510.23
Z07419	11/30/23	11/29/23	ROE00	ROENSPIE, THOMAS LUKE	11-23	05-24	5241.19
Z07420	11/30/23	11/29/23	ROM00	ROMERO, ARNULFO	11-23	05-24	3082.01
Z07421	11/30/23	11/29/23	SAN01	SANCHEZ, MELANIE CARRIL	11-23	05-24	165.00
Z07422	11/30/23	11/29/23	SAN02	SANDOVAL, LUCILA	11-23	05-24	2096.92
Z07423	11/30/23	11/29/23	SAN03	SANCHEZ , DANIEL ANGEL	11-23	05-24	1959.01
Z07424	11/30/23	11/29/23	SCH03	SCHMITKE, JENNIFER	11-23	05-24	2589.10
Z07425	11/30/23	11/29/23	SHA02	SHANNON, KYLE ANTHONY	11-23	05-24	1512.00
Z07426	11/30/23	11/29/23	STE01	STEWART, ROY E	11-23	05-24	3129.39
Z07427	11/30/23	11/29/23	SUA02	SUAREZ, BRYAN E	11-23	05-24	2000.39
Z07428	11/30/23	11/29/23	SUT00	SUTTON, BRANDON KIJANA	11-23	05-24	2720.42
Z07429	11/30/23	11/29/23	SWI00	SWINHART, ROBERT	11-23	05-24	2049.16
Z07430	11/30/23	11/29/23	VAL00	VALENZUELA , BRENDA	11-23	05-24	216.63
Z07431	11/30/23	11/29/23	VLA00	VLACH, RAYMOND JOSEPH	11-23	05-24	5177.08
Z07432	11/30/23	11/29/23	VON00	VONASEK, EDWARD J	11-23	05-24	4614.46
Z07433	11/30/23	11/29/23	ZIN00	PEREZ, ARNULFO ZINTZUN	11-23	05-24	324.16
							139583.57



REPORT.: Nov 30 23 Thursday  
 RUN...: Nov 30 23 Time: 16:55  
 Run By.: Leticia Espinosa

CITY OF ORLAND  
 Cash Disbursement Detail Report  
 Check Listing for 11-23 thru 11-23 Bank Account.: 1001

PAGE: 001  
 ID #: 10. A.  
 CTL.:

Check Number	Check Date	Vendor Number	Name	Net Amount	Invoice #	Description
058216	11/30/23	POS00	POSTMASTER	1471.27	11302023H	WATER/SEWER BILLS
058217	11/30/23	ALT02	Alternative Energy System	4089.06	15229	CH/ARPA ROOFING PRO SOLAR REMOVAL
058218	11/30/23	AME00	AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE	579.98	917171	SUPPLEMENTAL INSURANCE
058219	11/30/23	AND06	EDGAR ANDRADE	100.00 45.00	DEC2023 DEC23,GYM	MEASURE A UNIFORMS PD/GYM REIMBURSEMENT
			Check Total.....:	145.00		
058220	11/30/23	APP04	APPLE BOOKS	922.09	115947	LIB/ELK CREEK LIBRARY BOOKS
058221	11/30/23	ATT05	A T & T	4.15	92882	FD/MEASURE A-PHONES
058222	11/30/23	ATT06	A T & T	29.06 31.04 973.29 31.04	11102023 11122023 20824352 NOV122023	PW/HL LIFT STATION - 470 PW/AIRPORT LIFTSTATION - 906 MULTI-DEPTS/PHONES OCT 13 - NOV 12, 2023 PW/WH LIFT STATION - 843
			Check Total.....:	1064.43		
058223	11/30/23	ATT07	A T & T	31.43	11072023	PW/SHOP
058224	11/30/23	ATT10	AT&T MOBILITY (FIRST NET)	191.88	11022023	PW/CELL PHONE USAGE OCT 3 - NOV 2, 2023
058225	11/30/23	BAL00	Knife River Construction	873.50	296185	PW/STREET SUPPLIES
058226	11/30/23	BEN04	SHIRLEY BENNINGFIELD	450.00	11302023	AC/GALLERY CHRISTMAS DECOR 2023
058227	11/30/23	BID02	REMY BIDSTRUP	275.00	DEC2023	AC/SOCIAL MEDIA MARKETING
058228	11/30/23	CES00	Kyle Cessna	100.00	DEC2023	MEASURE A UNIFORMS
058229	11/30/23	CHA01	Justin Chaney	100.00	DEC2023	FD/MEASURE A-UNIFORM DECEMBER 2023
058230	11/30/23	CHI00	CHICO ENTERPRISE-RECORD	654.30	11062023	LIB/NEWSPAPER SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL
058231	11/30/23	CLE05	JUDY CLEVER	150.00	DEC2023	AC/CLEANING & MAINTENANCE OF GALLERY
058232	11/30/23	COR04	CORBIN WILLITS SYSTEMS	559.17	00C311151	MULTI-DEPTS/MONTHLY SOFTWARE SUPPORT
058233	11/30/23	DEM00	DEMCO	78.06	7378559	LIB/OFFICE SUPPLIES
058234	11/30/23	DEP00	DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	2236.38	SL240108	PW/SIGNAL AND LIGHTING MAINTENANCE QTR 3
058235	11/30/23	DEP21	DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE	109.52	11152023	INTEREST AMOUNT FOR AUDIT JUL 1 - JUN 30, 2023
058236	11/30/23	DET00	Detroit Industrial Tool	725.61	598141	PW/SHOP SUPPLIES
058237	11/30/23	DOB01	CHRIS DOBBS	300.00	NOV2023	COUNCILMEMBER STIPEND NOVEMBER 2023
058238	11/30/23	ECO01	ECORP CONSULTING, INC	82823.94	101573,10	PLANNING/PROF SERVICES (DWR/LEAP/SB2)
058239	11/30/23	EDE01	JODEE EDEN	240.00	11282023	REC/YOUTH BASKETBALL REFUND
058240	11/30/23	FAI01	FAIL SAFE TESTING, LLC	2073.70	13172,132	FD/MEASURE A-ANNUAL GROUND & AERIAL LADDERS INSPEC
058241	11/30/23	FLO03	JOSE FLORES	100.00	DEC2023	MEASURE A UNIFORMS
058242	11/30/23	GAY01	GAYNOR TELESYSTEMS INC	2804.45	43036,432	LIB/CARNEGIE/CH/PD ANNUAL PHONE SUPPORT
058243	11/30/23	GRA02	GRAINGER, INC.	471.97	990791947	LIB/ADA UPGRADE
058244	11/30/23	GRO00	Ferguson Enterprises Inc	74751.56	1808197	PW/DWR SUPPLIES
058245	11/30/23	HOM00	HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICE	6537.03	10132023	LIB/UPGRADE SUPPLIES
058246	11/30/23	JAS01	JASPER ENQINE EXCHANGE, I	5627.59	13025137	PD/FLEET EQ MAINTENANCE
058247	11/30/23	JOH02	SEAN JOHNSON	100.00	DEC2023	MEASURE A UNIFORMS
058248	11/30/23	KEL01	KELLER SUPPLY COMPANY	820.84	S02234583	PW/MULTI-CHLOR (WELLS)
058249	11/30/23	KIM01	KIMBALL MIDWEST	8.83	101610001	PW/SHOP SUPPLIES
058250	11/30/23	LAS00	LASH'S GLASS	10918.36	90063	LIB/DOOR UPRADES
058251	11/30/23	LOW00	Katherine Lowery	100.00 24.00	DEC2023 DEC23GYM	MEASURE A UNIFORMS PD/GYM REIMBURSEMENT
			Check Total.....:	124.00		
058252	11/30/23	MAR17	MARTINDALE, RYAN	100.00	DEC2023	MEASURE A UNIFORMS

Check Number	Check Date	Vendor Number	Name	Net Amount	Invoice #	Description
058253	11/30/23	MAR24	MARTIN CRANE & RIGGING, I	1725.00	12969	FD/MEASURE A-CRANE FOR MONOPOLE
058254	11/30/23	MAT04	MATSON & ISOM	7263.00 8224.58	90921 0026012IN	MONTHLY SERVICES NOVEMBER 2023 PD/MEASURE A-BARRACUDE, EMAIL ACCT
			Check Total.....:	15487.58		
058255	11/30/23	MCD01	John McDermott	300.00	NOV2023	COUNCILMEMBER STIPEND NOVEMBER 2023
058256	11/30/23	MET02	METAL BUILDING SOLUTIONS,	57782.00 4995.00	23-9-1044 23-P-1046	CITY HALL/ARPA ROOF REP REMAINING 50% OF COMPLETIO REC/REMOVE & REPLACE ROOF SKY LITE PANELS
			Check Total.....:	62777.00		
058257	11/30/23	MIL07	MILLS, DARYL	100.00	DEC2023	MEASURE A UNIFORMS
058258	11/30/23	MIS01	MissionSquare - 304591	1962.71	6221904	457 PLAN/304591
058259	11/30/23	MUN03	MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVI	28008.80	1961208	FD/MEASURE A-8 TURNOUT COATS & PANTS
058260	11/30/23	NAP00	NAPA AUTO PARTS	80.55 2224.27	857183 11252023	FD/MEASURE A-GENERATOR ANTIFREEZE PD/FLEET MAINT/PW /SHOP SUPPLIES
			Check Total.....:	2304.82		
058261	11/30/23	ORH00	ORLAND HARDWARE	2730.13	11272023	MULTI DEPT/MISC. SUPPLIES
058262	11/30/23	ORL08	ORLAND UNIT WATER USERS	2106.00	11102023	PW/2023 WATER ALLOTMENT
058263	11/30/23	ORL12	Orland-Laurel Masonic Hal	400.00	11272023	AC/RENT DECEMBER 2023
058264	11/30/23	PAC07	PACE ANALYTICAL SERVICES,	1860.84	9510,9740	PW/LAB SERVICES
058265	11/30/23	PGE00	PG&E	1146.54 93.93 54.16 13855.65	1192023 11182023 11202023 11272023	FD/MEASURE A-ELECTRICITY FOR COLUSA ST TRUE UP PW/TRAFFIC CONTROL PW/CORTINA DR LIFT STATION MULTI-DEPTS/UTILITY USAGE 9/26/2023-10/25/2023
			Check Total.....:	15150.28		
058266	11/30/23	PIN01	EDGAR PINEDO	100.00 19.50	DEC2023 DEC23GYM	MEASURE A UNIFORMS PD/GYM REIMBURSEMENT
			Check Total.....:	119.50		
058267	11/30/23	PON00	PONCI'S WELDING	10.78	79967	FD/MEASURE A-E-23 YOKE SEAL CAP
058268	11/30/23	RIV02	ISRAEL RIVERA	100.00 27.50	DEC2023 DEC23GYM	MEASURE A UNIFORMS PD/GYM REIMBURSEMENT
			Check Total.....:	127.50		
058269	11/30/23	ROE02	Thomas Roenspie	100.00	DEC2023	MEASURE A UNIFORMS
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058272	11/30/23	SAC01	SACRAMENTO VALLEY MIRROR	386.40	1884	LEGAL NOTICE- PENBROOK/MAURICIOS
058273	11/30/23	SMO00	WES SMOCK	1328.35	0362	FD/MEASURE A-REPEATER MONOPOLE GALVANIZED PIPE
058274	11/30/23	SON05	Sonsray Machinery	982.64	SWO041008	PW/EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE
058275	11/30/23	STA05	State Water Resources Con	15.00	11282023	PW/WATER DIST OPER CERT RENEWAL
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058280	11/30/23	TIA00	EVERBANK, N.A.	299.87	9795039	MULTI/COPIER LEASE
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058282	11/30/23	TRA02	TRANSAMERICA	561.00	NOV2023	TERM INSURANCE
058283	11/30/23	TUR01	Rae Turnbull	45.00	DEC2023	AC/WEBSITE NEWSLETTER



REPORT.: Nov 30 23 Thursday  
 RUN...: Nov 30 23 Time: 16:55  
 Run By.: Leticia Espinosa

CITY OF ORLAND  
 Cash Disbursement Detail Report  
 Check Listing for 11-23 thru 11-23 Bank Account.: 1001

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 ID #: PY-DR  
 CTL.: 10. A.

Check Number	Check Date	Vendor Number	Name	Net Amount	Invoice #	Description
058284	11/30/23	TUR02	Patricia Turnbull	55.96	11292023	AC/REIMBURSEMENT GALLERY SUPPLIES
058285	11/30/23	VER03	Verizon Wireless	164.04 266.07 79.52	75901 949475899 994947590	FD/MEASURE A-RESPONSE SERVICE FOR CITY ENGINE PW/SCADA COMPUTER/IPADS REC/COMMUNICATIONS OCT 17 - NOV 16, 2023
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058288	11/30/23	WES16	West Mitsubishi	4946.84	2852,8291	FD/MEASURE A-REIMBURSEMENT RADIO REPEATER SUPPLIES
058289	11/30/23	WEX00	WEX BANK	279.61 1559.94 6132.48 5212.34	275359REC 3275359FD 3275359PD 3275359PW	REC/FUEL FD/FUEL PD/FUEL PW/FUEL
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058292	11/30/23	XYL00	Xylem Water Solutions USA	4654.61	99335	PW/SEWER STATION PUMP PARTS
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**ORLAND CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, November 21, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Chris Dobbs at 6:30 PM.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers present:	Councilmembers Jeffrey Tolley, Matt Romano, Vice Mayor Bruce T. Roundy, and Mayor Chris Dobbs
Councilmembers absent:	Councilmember John McDermott
Staff present:	City Manager Pete Carr; Director of Administrative Services/ACM Rebecca Pendergrass; City Clerk Jennifer Schmitke; Police Sergeant Kyle Cessna; City Attorney Greg Einhorn
Staff present online:	Recreation Director Joe Fenske; Public Works Director Ed Vonasek; Fire Chief Justin Chaney

Pledge of Allegiance

**ELECTION OF MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR**

Action: Councilmember Tolley moved, seconded by Vice Mayor Roundy, to postpone voting for Mayor and Vice Mayor until all Councilmembers are back at the December 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. Motion carried by a roll call vote 4-0.

Ayes: Councilmembers Tolley, Romano, Vice Mayor Roundy, and Mayor Dobbs  
Nays: None

**APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

Mayor Dobbs asked Council to review the current appointments and send to the City Clerk their preferences and availability for each Board and Commission so City Staff can have a list prepared for the next Council Meeting scheduled for December 5<sup>th</sup>.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. Warrant List (Payable Obligations)
- B. Approve City Council Minutes for November 7, 2023

- C. Receive and file Economic Development Commission minutes from July 11, 2023
- D. Receive and file Economic Development Commission minutes from September 12, 2023
- E. Receive and file Library Commission minutes from September 11, 2023
- F. Receive and file Arts Commission minutes from October 18, 2023
- G. "Measure A" Public Safety Sales Tax – Annual Report

Councilmember Tolley pulled item 6.G. for Council to discuss.

Action: Councilmember Tolley moved, seconded by Mayor Dobbs, to approve the consent calendar without item 6.G. Motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

Director of Administrative Services/ACM Rebecca Pendergrass briefly shared an overview of the fiscal year report of Measure A revenues and expenditures.

Councilmember Tolley stated he didn't have any concerns with the item but felt that since Measure A was voted on by Orland citizens an explanation of the report would be nice.

Action: Councilmember Tolley moved, seconded by Vice Mayor Roundy, to approve item 6.G. Motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

## ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

### A. Appointments/Reappointments to City Commissions

City Clerk Jennifer Schmitke presented the following community members for confirmation by City Council:

**Public Works and Safety Commission** – Two (2) vacancies with new terms expiring December 31, 2025

*Applicants: Monica Rossman and David Kelly (Consider Reappointment)*

Action: Mayor Dobbs moved, seconded by Councilmember Tolley to approve reappointments of the above listed with terms expiring December 31, 2025. Upon voice vote, the motion carried 4-0.

**Recreation Commission** – Two (2) vacancies with new terms expiring December 31, 2025

*Applicants: Karen Baldrige and Jason Ovitz (Consider Reappointment)*

Action: Councilmember Tolley moved, seconded by Mayor Dobbs to approve reappointments of the above listed with terms expiring December 31, 2025. Upon voice vote, the motion carried 4-0.

**Economic Development Commission** – Two (2) vacancies with new terms expiring December 31, 2025

*Applicants: Ronald Lane and Russell Pierce (Consider Reappointment)*

Action: Vice Mayor Roundy moved, seconded by Councilmember Tolley to approve reappointments of the above listed with terms expiring December 31, 2025. Upon voice vote, the motion carried 4-0.

**Library Commission** – Three (3) vacancies with new terms expiring December 31, 2025

*Applicant: Dick Jolley, Mary Anne Deeming and E. Ann Butler (Consider Reappointment)*

Action: Mayor Dobbs moved, seconded by Councilmember Tolley to approve reappointments of the above listed with terms expiring December 31, 2025. Upon voice vote, the motion carried 4-0.

**B. Ambulance Services Cost Share**

City Manager Pete Carr reminded Council that Glenn County agreed in October to purchase the new ambulance that will be operated by Westside Ambulance for \$275,000 and the funding will come out of County American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. Mr. Carr shared with the Council Westside Ambulance’s startup expenses, explained that the new ambulance services will operate 12 hours a day and it will primarily be located in Orland. The City and the County will be splitting the start-up and operational cost 50/50, and from Westside’s projections the City cost share would be 50% up to \$650,000 (\$325k) annually after the first year.

Vice Mayor Roundy shared his frustrations with the ambulance coverage and explained that the ambulance discussion has been an on-going topic that has been long overdue for a solution.

Mr. Carr asked Council to decide where they would like to take the funding from for the cost share service -- either Measure A, General funds or a future additional half-cent sales tax that may be put on the ballot in November 2024. The Council discussed funding options, asked City Staff questions, and ultimately decided to use Measure A funds for the first year and revisit the item in 12 months with the possibility of finding an alternative funding source.

Orland resident Earl Megginson stated his appreciation for the proposed new service.

Action: Mayor Dobbs moved, seconded by Councilmember Tolley, to approve the agreement as presented with funding coming from Measure A for the first year with the stipulation of reviewing the funding in 12 months to determine the next year’s funding source. Motion carried by a roll call vote 4-0.

Ayes: Councilmembers Tolley, Romano, Vice Mayor Roundy, and Mayor Dobbs  
Nays: None

Mr. Carr expressed his appreciation for the City’s partners at Glenn County and Westside Ambulance and stated this new service is monumental.

**C. Habitat for Humanity Purpose Place Phase 2**

Mr. Carr brought forward an early discussion to review Habitat for Humanity’s request for support of an expansion on the Purpose Place project at 827 Newville. Mr. Carr reminded Council that Habitat for Humanity came to Council on June 6 to ask for support with the expansion of the project, but Council decided to wait 6 months to review how successful Phase 1 of the project was before considering supporting the Phase 2 expansion. Mr. Carr shared that December will be 6 months but thought an early review would be helpful for Council to make their decision. Mr. Carr shared that Phase 2 would include an additional 16 permanent, supportive, affordable housing units with a mix of studio and 2-bedroom units and the possibility of expanding the community gathering area outdoors. Mr. Carr shared

that information and data from Glenn County social workers, Orland Police Department, Orland Volunteer Fire Department and from Westside ambulance is being collected for the current year and past years. Mr. Carr mentioned that one Purpose Place resident has moved on and one has been removed from the residence.

The Council was in agreeance that they would like to hear from neighbors and businesses close to Purpose Place to get their feedback. Councilmember Romano asked to hear from Glenn County HHS workers to hear their feedback on the program. Mr. Carr shared that this topic would be back December 19<sup>th</sup> for Council to take action on.

#### **D. ARPA Budget Update**

Mr. Carr provided Council an update on American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) projects list.

Mr. Carr spoke about changes to the list which included the additional allocation of \$25k for a Cat population reduction project (partnership with the County) and pointed out that \$50k for construction of EV charging stations in town would no longer be needed since the City has an agreement with Rivian for them to install electric vehicle charging stations at no cost to the City. Mr. Carr suggested beneficial uses for the \$50k including:

- A. Allocation of up to \$20,000 to Orland Public Works for acquisition of trees for City parks.
- B. Allocation of up to \$20,000 to enhance a December re-launch of Queen Bee Bucks.
- C. Retention of all or part of the \$55k (and the EV \$50k) against future project needs.

Public Works Director Ed Vonasek suggested the consideration of downtown façade improvements to City owned buildings.

Mr. Carr reminded the Council that there is no deadline to use ARPA funding. Councilmember Tolley stated that he would like to wait on making a decision on spending the money and discuss more at a future date. Vice Mayor Roundy shared that he would like to see the City start thinking long term about creating a groundwater recharge budget for the future. Councilmember Romano shared that funding for groundwater recharge should come from water rates and recommended that topic should be added to a future agenda as a discussion item. Councilmember Romano stated he would like to hear from the community on if there is a project in the community that residents believe money should be spent and suggested a new paint job on Carnegie Center. Mayor Dobbs shared he would like to see \$20k to Queen Bee Bucks as well as planting new trees. Vice Mayor Roundy asked to see the tree plan and quotes; Director of Administrative Service/ACM Rebecca Pendergrass stated she would email the information to each Councilmember for review. Mayor Dobbs asked to wait on approving the trees and downtown façade improvements until the December 5<sup>th</sup> meeting where Council can review more information on the projects.

Action: Councilmember Romano moved, seconded by Vice Mayor Roundy, to allot an additional \$20,000 into the Queen Bee Bucks program. Motion carried by a roll call vote 4-0.

Ayes: Councilmembers Tolley, Romano, Vice Mayor Roundy, and Mayor Dobbs

Nays: None

**ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS****PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None**CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS**

Councilmember Romano:

- Congratulated the Orland High School Football team on their section championship and shared the football, cross country and volleyball teams, cheerleaders, band, and family supporters are all a great reflection of the community;
- Shared Quiet Creek Subdivision and Penbrook Subdivision met with the Planning Commission and will be at a City Council soon.

Vice Mayor Roundy:

- Attended the Groundwater ad hoc committee;
- Attended RCD Regional meeting;

Councilmember Tolley:

- Attended the EDC meeting November 14<sup>th</sup>;

Mayor Dobbs:

- Attended the Fire Department meeting.

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:38 PM**

Jennifer Schmitke, City Clerk

Chris Dobbs, Mayor





**PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**Thursday, October 19, 2023**

**Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Stephen Nordbye at 5:30 PM.

**Pledge of Allegiance** – Led by Vice Chairperson Elliott

**Roll Call:**

- Commissioner’s present – Chairperson Stephen Nordbye, Commissioners Sharon Lazorko, Vern Montague and Vice Chairperson Wade Elliott
- Commissioner’s absent - Commissioner Michelle Romano
- Councilmember(s) present - Councilmember John McDermott
- Staff present - City Planner Scott Friend and City Clerk Jennifer Schmitke

**ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

**Citizen Comments** – None

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Commissioner Lazorko asked to add to her Commissioner report from September 19<sup>th</sup> meeting that the decorations she had mentioned are up all year round. City Staff stated that they would update the minutes to reflect that change as noted.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Montague moved, seconded by Commissioner Lazorko to approve consent calendar with the noted change to the minutes. Motion carried by a voice vote, 4-0.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Public Hearing: Mitigated Negative Declaration Addendum (MND) – Quiet Creek Subdivision project. Applicant: Quiet Creek, Inc. (TSM #2022-02) (Pg.5)

Chairperson Nordbye shared that this item was being continued until the next Planning Commission meeting to be held on November 16, 2023

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION OR ACTION**

**A. Lot Line Adjustment #2023-01 (Butte College Glenn Center)**

City Planner Scott Friend presented a request to adjust the lot lines of three (3) existing parcels located south of South Street, west of Cortina Drive and east of Interstate 5, resulting in a “no-

net-change” of acreage to the parcel giving and receiving land (Butte College Glenn Center campus lot). Mr. Friend provided a parcel map to show that the applicant and property owner of the parcel containing the Butte Collegge Glenn Center, Vista La Mesa, LLC, is giving approximately 6,758 square feet of land to its neighboring parcel to the north (Tesoro Sierra Properties, LLC), while adding approximately 19 feet (6,758 square feet) from the adjacent parcel to the south which is also owned by Vista La Mesa, LLC. Mr. Friend stated that a condition from the City for this project is that once lot 3 (Vista La Mesa parcel located to the south of the BCGC parcel) is developed, the developer/owner must pave the remaining 19 feet of road.

Mr. Friend stated that the Orland Municipal Code (OMC) requires the Planning Commission approve lot line adjustments and staff recommends approval of this lot line adjustment request. He noted that Kim Jones with Butte College along with the project applicant James Seegert were in attendance if the Commission had any questions for them.

Staff recommended that the Planning Commission determine that the proposed action is exempt from further California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review pursuant to Section §15315, Minor Land Divisions, a class 15 CEQA exemption.

James Seegert, Modern Building/Vista La Mesa, LLC, applicant thanked the City for outlining the project in the staff report for the Commission and offered no additional comments on the project.

Commissioner Lazorko asked for clarification regarding access to lot 3. Mr. Friend identified on the parcel map in the Commission agenda package where the access was.

Action: Vice Chairperson Elliott moved, seconded by Commissioner Lazorko that the Planning Commission determine that the project is categorically exempt from further review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section §15315, Minor Divisions and that the Planning Commission approve Resolution 2023-07 approving Lot Line Adjustment #2023-01 as presented herein. Motion carried by a voice vote, 4-0.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

- Mr. Friend spoke about the limitations as to what the City can do about seasonal décor in resident’s yards. Vice Chairperson Elliott asked if the City has an Ordinance on limiting seasonal décor to seasonal times of the year. Mr. Friend explained that there is no Ordinance for or against and that he has never seen one in any other City.
- Mr. Friend explained that the November meeting will have two tentative maps for the proposed Penbrook and Quiet Creek projects.
- Mr. Friend spoke about the new software system that the City is using to make all agendas and reports uniform in appearance and easier for City staff to manage.

## **COMMISSIONERS REPORTS**

- Vice Chairperson had nothing to report.
- Commissioner Montague had nothing to report.
- Commissioner Lazorko spoke about the positive and negative feedback she has been seeing about the East Street traffic calming measures.

- Chairperson Nordbye Chairperson Nordbye thanked the Public Works Department for how good East Street looks.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – None**

**ADJOURNMENT – 5:44 PM**

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Schmitke, City Clerk

Stephen Nordbye, Chairperson



## CITY OF ORLAND STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: December 5, 2023

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**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Council

**FROM:** Paul W. Rabo, City Engineer

**SUBJECT:** **Agreement with Department of Water Resources for “Urban and Multi-benefit Drought Relief Grant” Funds**

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### BACKGROUND:

In 2022 the Northern Sacramento Valley Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (NSV IRWMP) added the City of Orland’s 6<sup>th</sup> Street groundwater well project to their list of projects. This made the project eligible for different state funding sources. The City was later notified that the project was selected to receive funding from the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) Urban and Multi-benefit Drought Relief Program. As part of the funding requirements, the City was required to enter into an agreement with DWR’s consultant who would be administering the funds. In 2023, DWR’s consultant stated they would no longer be able to administer the funds for the City’s project.

As a result, DWR has decided to administer the grant funds and has provided their grant agreement for the City’s review and signature.

### ANALYSIS:

The proposed project phases include 1) Project Administration, 2) Planning, Design, Engineering, Environmental Documentation, and 3) Construction and Implementation. City staff has reviewed the provided draft agreement and has proposed modifications to the schedule and how funds are allocated to the different project phases. The proposed funding amount has been slightly increased because the funds previously obligated to DWR’s consultant for administration services have been reallocated to the project. The total funding amount is \$826,703.00 and would be used during the construction phase.

Attachment: Resolution 2023-09 for the 6<sup>th</sup> Street Municipal Groundwater Well

### RECOMMENDATION:

1. Adopt Resolution 2023-09 “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Orland Authorizing the Grant Application, Acceptance, and Execution for the 6<sup>th</sup> Street Municipal Groundwater Well”
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute the contract and all other documents necessary to complete the project.

### FISCAL IMPACT OF RECOMMENDATION:

The proposed total cost of all three phases of the project is \$1,905,000.00. The City has secured approximately \$540,000.00 in funding for project Phases 1 and 2. Grant funds received from this DWR agreement would be used to offset costs during the construction phase. City water enterprise funds expended on the construction phase would be approximately \$538,000.00.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-09**  
**A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Orland Authorizing the Grant Application, Acceptance, and Execution for the 6<sup>th</sup> Street Municipal Groundwater Well**

WHEREAS, CITY OF ORLAND proposes to implement URBAN AND MULTIBENEFIT DROUGHT RELIEF GRANT for the 6<sup>th</sup> Street Municipal Groundwater Well;

WHEREAS, CITY OF ORLAND has the legal authority and is authorized to enter into a funding agreement with the State of California; and

WHEREAS, CITY OF ORLAND intends to apply for grant funding from the California Department of Water Resources for the URBAN AND MULTIBENEFIT DROUGHT RELIEF GRANT for the 6<sup>th</sup> Street Municipal Groundwater Well;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the CITY COUNCIL of the CITY OF ORLAND as follows:

1. That pursuant and subject to all of the terms and provisions of Budget Act of 2021 (Stats. 2021, ch. 240, § 80), the CITY OF ORLAND Mayor or designee is hereby authorized and directed to prepare and file an application for funding with the Department of Water Resources and take such other actions necessary or appropriate to obtain grant funding.
2. The CITY OF ORLAND Mayor, or designee is hereby authorized and directed to execute the funding agreement with the Department of Water Resources and any amendments thereto.
3. The CITY OF ORLAND Mayor, or designee is hereby authorized and directed to submit any required documents, invoices, and reports required to obtain grant funding.

CERTIFICATION I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the ORLAND CITY COUNCIL of the CITY OF ORLAND at the meeting held on DECEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>, motion by \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, motion passed by the following vote:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

\_\_\_\_\_  
[Printed Name]  
Mayor for the City of Orland

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jennifer Schmitke  
Orland City Clerk



**CITY OF ORLAND STAFF REPORT**  
**MEETING DATE: December 21, 2023**

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**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Council

**FROM:** Public Works Director Ed Vonasek  
City Manager Pete Carr

**SUBJECT:** **ARPA Budget Update (Discussion/Action)**

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City Council will follow up on recent discussions about ARPA project funding.

**BACKGROUND**

The City received a total of \$1.872M in Covid-relief funding as part of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Funds are intended to help offset lost potential revenues due to the prolonged economic shutdown. Council has engaged in many conversations and several actions to incrementally allocate ARPA funds for numerous specific projects benefiting the community – primarily in public safety, quality of life services and local business support. The ARPA worksheet was included in the FY23-24 City budget and was reviewed most recently by Council November 21. At that meeting, Council acknowledged that \$50,000 in EV project funds appears to be surplus, authorized additional \$20,000 for Queen Bee Bucks, and began discussion of adding more park trees and repainting city facilities.

Separately, Council also set aside in 2021 a portion of CV2/3 funds for Library facility improvements with the balance going to a Cities-County partnership to distribute grants to small businesses. These grants were in addition to the earlier CV1 grant program for small businesses, SBDA grants for businesses, PPP, and the current Glenn County Stabilization Grant Program, but have generally been undersubscribed. The library project portion of these funds is currently in progress, in conjunction with State Library grant funding for capital improvements.

**ANALYSIS**

Most ARPA programs and projects are completed or underway, proceeding according to budget plan. The remaining available unallocated balance is \$85k.

Suggested beneficial uses for these funds include:

A. Allocation of up to \$20,000 to Public Works – Parks for acquisition of trees for City parks. This is in addition to the ongoing budget for replacement of street landscaping trees, for which \$5000 was recently expended. We have a plan, recommended by the Tree Committee, for specific types of trees at specific locations in each park: \$1,300 for Library Park; \$7,000 for Vinsonhaler; \$11,000 for Lely. The park trees would be planted in coming months by the City.



B. Allocation of up to \$20,000 to Public Works – Facilities for façade improvement of the City Hall/Police building and the 824 4<sup>th</sup> St/400 Mill St “Café” building. Carnegie Center cost estimates are pending assessment of soffit repair & replacement carpentry, so this item can be considered separately at another time. Staff proposes the improvement include adding decorative façade treatment to the City Hall/Police building complementing the new Library entrance.

C. Allocation of up to \$10,000 to bolster the very popular current phase of Queen Bee Bucks, supporting locally-owned brick & mortar businesses. In this new launch, the City renewed its marketing, covered the purchaser fee and awarded a matching BOGO bonus gift card for each of the first two gift cards purchased. The gift cards can only be used at participating Orland businesses. The current promotion is sold out as of November 30. Without additional funding, gift card sales can continue but will be without the BOGO incentive.

Suggestions A, B and C would allocate \$50k of the available \$85k, leaving a remaining unallocated balance of \$35,000. The Council may wish to retain all or part of this \$35k against future project needs.

Attachments: 1. Use of ARPA Funds Worksheet as of December 5, 2023

2. City buildings façade improvement cost estimate worksheet

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Allocate remaining funds as desired.

**Fiscal Impact of Recommendation:** \$50,000 in ARPA funds, no use of General Funds.

## Use of ARPA Funds Worksheet

Report to Council Dec 5, 2023

City of Orland

<b>Revenue from ARPA (Covid Relief)</b>		<b>\$1,872,000</b>
General Fund fiscal stabilization		\$200,000
Measure A Fund Public Safety fiscal stabilization		\$100,000
<b>ARPA Funds Available for Allocation</b>		<b>\$1,572,000</b>
<b>Use of Funds</b>		<b>Allocated</b>
<i>Purple = complete ; Blue = in progress; Black = allocated but pending</i>		
1	Radio signal upgrades for OPD and OVFD (P/S)	\$60,000
2	OPD/City Hall roof and floor repairs	\$120,000
3	Evidence storage & security improvements (P/S)	\$80,000
4	Public Safety Facilities Security and IT upgrades (P/S)	\$160,000
5	Cost share sewer lift station @ Cortina Drive	\$145,000
6	Invest in westside I-5 infrastructure (619)	\$300,000
7	Façade Improvement program	\$30,000
8	Streetscapes (benches, planters, streetlamps, etc.)	\$200,000
9	Lely ballfield lighting LED lamps (1 field per year)	\$170,000
10	Pump track -- match Park & Rec DIF	\$12,000
11	Orland Area Chamber of Commerce equip/supplies	\$7,000
12	Arts Commission revenue backfill	\$3,000
13	Construct welcome sign at east end of City	\$30,000
14	Replace financial software (\$50k ARPA, \$70k Utilities)	\$50,000
15	Loan payoff: 5th St parking lot (\$70k)	\$70,000
16	Grant match for 3CORE I-5 econ development study	\$5,000
17	Community e-Gift Cards (Queen Bee Bucks)	\$100,000
18	Cat population reduction (partnership with County)	\$25,000
<b>Total Lines 1-18</b>		<b>\$1,487,000</b>

**Total Remaining Unallocated:**

**\$85,000**

*P/S = Public Safety = total \$320k*

**City Facility Façade Improvement**

Worksheet -- Cost Estimates

December 5, 2023

<b>City Hall/Police</b>	815/817 4th St 3300 SF	Add décor stone to 40" Stucco & eaves one color Facia second color Prep & Paint	\$6,000   <u>\$9,000</u>
		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>
<b>Café</b>	824 4th St 8000 SF	Remove old signage Repaint all one color Prep & paint	OPW  <u>\$5,000</u>
	<i>Note: Roof would be + \$3500</i>	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><b>\$20,000</b></u>
<b>Carnegie Center</b>	2000 SF 1.5 story	Soffit repair/replacement Prep & paint	unknown <u>\$7,500</u>
		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>unknown</b>



**CITY OF ORLAND STAFF REPORT**  
**MEETING DATE: December 5, 2023**

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**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Pete Carr, City Manager

**SUBJECT:** **Consider Opposition to Proposed “Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act” November 2024 Ballot Measure**

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**BACKGROUND:**

The City Council from time to time will take a position in support of or in opposition to an issue or proposed piece of legislation or a ballot measure.

The California Business Roundtable (CBRT), a group of corporations, is the primary sponsor of an initiative that has qualified for the November 2024 ballot entitled, “Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act.” The State Legislature is challenging the measure with two separate bills, ACA 1 and ACA 13, both of which will also be on the November 2024 ballot, while the League of California Cities (CalCities) vigorously opposes it and invites member cities to join in formal opposition. To date, 166 cities have filed letters of opposition to the proposed ballot measure.

**ANALYSIS:**

Voter approval thresholds for local taxes are already established in the State constitution. The CBRT ballot measure would redefine what constitutes a tax, impose new requirements for the ballot materials used to submit taxes to voters, set higher thresholds for passage of local tax measures and fee adjustments, and loosen the standards to challenge local taxes.

ACA 1 would lower to 55% the threshold for local bonds providing funding for “essential public infrastructure” and affordable housing. ACA 13 would require that any measure imposing a 2/3 voting threshold (i.e., the CRBT ballot item) must pass by 2/3 to become law.

CalCities asserts numerous downsides to the CRBT measure for cities including that it is “anti-local control” and makes it harder for local governments to provide vital services to their residents. On September 27, the California Legislature and Gov. Gavin Newsom filed an emergency petition with the California Supreme Court seeking to remove the CBRT measure from the Nov 2024 ballot, arguing that it unlawfully revises the State constitution and cripples essential local government functions. CalCities filed a brief in support of the legal challenge.

Attachments (3):

1. Draft proposed letter of opposition
2. Legislative Analyst Office (LAO) analysis of the proposed measure
2. Recent CalCities statements on the topic

Full text of the initiative and further analysis available at Ballotpedia website: [overview and text](#)

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Oppose the “Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act” by signed letter as drafted.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF RECOMMENDATION:**

No immediate known impact, but potentially adverse revenue impacts upon future tax measure efforts.

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## DRAFT OPPOSE LETTER

December 5, 2023

Bismarck Obando  
 Director of Public Affairs, League of California Cities  
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### **RE: Letter Opposing Initiative 21-0042A1**

On December 5, 2023, the City Council of the City of Orland voted to oppose Initiative 21-0042A1, a deceptive, developer-sponsored proposition aimed for the November 2024 statewide ballot that would significantly jeopardize cities' ability to provide essential services and infrastructure for our residents.

The measure includes undemocratic provisions that would make it more difficult for local voters to pass measures needed to fund local services and projects and would limit voter input by prohibiting local advisory measures where voters can express a preference on how they want their local tax dollars spent.

This measure creates new constitutional loopholes that allow corporations to pay far less than their fair share for the impacts they have on our communities, including impacts on local infrastructure and our environment.

This measure also may make it much more difficult for state and local regulators to issue fines and levies on corporations that violate laws intended to protect our environment, public health and safety, and our neighborhoods.

Unless defeated, the measure puts billions of dollars currently dedicated to local services at risk, and could force cuts to fire and emergency response, law enforcement, public health, parks, libraries, affordable housing, services to support homeless residents, mental health services, and more.

While Orland voters approved a local transactions & use tax in 2016 that would remain intact, this measure would encumber the voters' ability to pass an additional similar local tax measure now or in the future, should local voters decide they want to raise local funds for a local purpose. Unnecessary State limits on local control are a



pernicious threat to sustainability of essential services in California cities – where most of us live and work. Voters in cities must be allowed to choose how they want to balance the locally-identified needs for public services with the need to protect business and economic interests. We don't need interference by State government or self-serving corporations.

You may list the City of Orland in formal opposition to Initiative #21-0042A1 and include our city as part of the growing coalition of public safety, labor, local government, infrastructure advocates, and other organizations throughout the State opposed to this deceptive proposition.

Sincerely,

Chris Dobbs  
Mayor



January 19, 2022

Hon. Rob Bonta  
Attorney General  
1300 I Street, 17<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Sacramento, California 95814

Attention: Ms. Anabel Renteria  
Initiative Coordinator

Dear Attorney General Bonta:

Pursuant to Elections Code Section 9005, we have reviewed the proposed constitutional Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act initiative (A.G. File No. 21-0042, Amendment #1).

## Background

### State Government

**Taxes and Fees.** This year's state budget spends over \$255 billion in state funds. Over 90 percent of the state budget is funded with revenues from taxes. These include, for example, sales taxes paid on goods and income taxes paid on wages and other sources of income. Much of the rest of the state budget is funded by fees and other charges. Examples include: (1) charges relating to regulatory activities; (2) charges for specific government services or products, like fees charged to drivers to improve roads; (3) charges for entering state property, such as a state park; and (4) judicial fines, penalties, and other charges. The State Constitution requires the state to set fees at a reasonable level, generally reflecting the costs of the services or benefits provided. The state uses revenue from taxes and fees to fund a variety of programs and services, including education, health care, transportation, and housing and homelessness services.

**Current Requirements to Approve Taxes and Fees.** Under the State Constitution, state tax increases require approval by two-thirds of each house of the Legislature or a majority vote of the statewide electorate. The Legislature can reduce taxes with a majority vote of each house, provided the change does not result in an increase in taxes paid by any single taxpayer. In many cases, the Legislature has enacted statutes that delegate its authority to adjust fees and other

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charges to administrative entities, like state departments. In these cases, these charges can be increased or changed by the department within certain limits.

**Local Government**

*Taxes and Fees.* The largest local government tax is the property tax, which raises roughly \$75 billion annually. Other local taxes include sales taxes, utility taxes, and hotel taxes. In addition to these taxes, local governments levy a variety of fees and other charges. Examples include parking meter fees, building permit fees, regulatory fees, and judicial fines and penalties. In order to be considered a fee, the charge cannot exceed the reasonable costs to the local government of providing the associated product or service. Local governments use revenues from taxes and fees to fund a variety of services, like fire and police, public works, and parks.

*Current Requirements to Approve Taxes and Fees.* State law requires increases in local taxes to receive approval of the local governing body—for example, a city council or county board of supervisors—as well as approval of voters in that local jurisdiction. Most proposed taxes require a two-thirds vote of the local governing board before being presented to the voters. Special taxes (those used for a specific purpose) require a two-thirds vote of the electorate while other types of taxes require a majority vote of the electorate. The majority-vote general taxes can be used for any purpose. Recent case law suggests that citizen initiative special taxes may be approved by majority vote, rather than a two-thirds vote. Currently, local governing bodies have the ability to delegate their authority to adjust fees and other charges to administrative entities, like city departments. In these cases, these charges can be increased or changed by the department within certain limits.

**Proposal**

This measure amends the State Constitution to change the rules for how the state and local governments can impose taxes, fees, and other charges.

**State and Local Government Taxes**

*Expands Definition of Tax.* The measure amends the State Constitution to expand the definition of taxes to include some charges that state and local governments currently treat as fees and other charges. For example, certain charges imposed for a benefit or privilege granted to a payer but not granted to those not charged would no longer be considered fees. As a result, the measure could increase the number of revenue proposals subject to the higher state and local vote requirements for taxes discussed below.

*Requires Voter Approval for State Taxes.* The measure increases the vote requirements for increasing state taxes. Specifically, the measure requires that legislatively proposed tax increases receive approval by two-thirds of each house *and* a majority vote of the statewide electorate. Voters would still be able to increase taxes by majority vote of the electorate without legislative action, however. Any state tax approved between January 1, 2022 and the effective date of this measure would be nullified unless it fulfills the requirements of the measure.

*Requirements for Approving Local Taxes.* Whether sought by the local governing body or the electorate, the measure establishes the same approval requirements for increasing local

special taxes. Any local tax approved between January 1, 2022 and the effective date of this measure would be nullified unless it fulfills the requirements of the measure.

*Allowable Uses and Duration of State and Local Tax Revenues Must Be Specified.* The measure requires state and local tax measures to identify the type and amount (or rate) of the tax and the duration of the tax. State and local government general tax measures must state that the revenue can be used for general purposes.

**State and Local Government Fees**

*Requires the Legislature and Local Government Bodies to Impose State and Local Fees.* Fees would have to be imposed by a majority vote of both houses of the Legislature or local governing bodies. The measure would restrict the ability of state and local governments to delegate fee changes to administrative entities. The extent of these restrictions would depend on future court decisions. Any fee approved between January 1, 2022 and the effective date of this measure would be nullified unless it fulfills the requirements of the measure.

*Some New State and Local Fees Could Not Exceed Actual Costs.* For some categories of fees, if the Legislature or a local governing body wished to impose a new fee or make changes to an existing fee, the measure generally would require that the charge be both reasonable and reflect the actual costs to the state or local government of providing the service. The measure also specifies that actual cost should not exceed “the minimum amount necessary.” In many cases, existing fees already reflect the government’s actual costs. In other cases, some fees would have to more closely approximate the payer’s actual costs in order to remain fees. If a fee payer challenged the charge, the state or local government would need to provide clear and convincing evidence that the fee meets this threshold. State and local governments also would bear the burden of providing clear and convincing evidence that the levy is a fee—which is not subject to a vote by the electorate—and not a tax under the new definition.

**Fiscal Effects**

*Lower State Tax and Fee Revenue.* By expanding the definition of a tax, increasing the vote requirements for approving taxes, and restricting administrative changes to fees, the measure makes it harder for the Legislature to increase nearly all types of state revenues. The extent to which revenues would be lower under the measure would depend on various factors, most notably future decisions made by the Legislature and voters. For example, requirements for legislative approval of fee increases currently set administratively could result in lower fee revenues, depending on future votes of the Legislature. That lower revenue could be particularly notable for some state programs largely funded by fees. Due to the uncertainty of these factors, we cannot estimate the amount of reduced state revenue, but it could be substantial.

*Lower Local Government Tax and Fee Revenue.* Compared to the state, local governments generally face greater restrictions to raising revenue. By expanding the definition of taxes and restricting administrative changes to fees, the measure would make it somewhat harder for local governments to raise revenue. Consequently, future local tax and fee revenue could be lower than they would be otherwise. The extent to which revenues would be lower is unknown, but



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fees could be more impacted. The actual impact on local government revenue would depend on various factors, including future decisions by the courts, local governing bodies, and voters.

**Possible Increased State and Local Administrative Costs to Change Some Fee Levels.** In some cases, state and local departments would need to develop methods for setting fees to reflect actual costs if the Legislature or local governing bodies wanted to change those fees in the future. Estimating actual costs by program and fee source could involve some added workload for those state and local departments, which likely would be supported by fee revenue. The extent of these administrative costs would depend on (1) whether the state and local governments determine a fee increase is needed in order to maintain their current level of programs and services funded through fee revenue and (2) future court decisions.

**Summary of Fiscal Effects.** We estimate that this measure would have the following major fiscal effects:

- Lower annual state and local revenues, potentially substantially lower, depending on future actions of the Legislature, local governing bodies, voters, and the courts.

Sincerely,

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for Gabriel Petek  
Legislative Analyst

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for Keely Martin Bosler  
Director of Finance

# Cal Cities joins legal challenge against ‘taxpayer protection’ ballot measure

Oct 4, 2023

The League of California Cities last week filed an [amicus letter \(/docs/default-source/advocacy/2023-09-28-local-government-amici-letter-iso-legislature-v-weber.pdf?sfvrsn=e372f199\\_3\)](#) in support of a legal challenge against the deceptive [“Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act” initiative \(https://www.calcities.org/news/post/2023/08/09/an-existential-threat-to-cities-is-on-the-2024-ballot\)](#) .

In late September, the Legislature and Gov. Gavin Newsom filed [the emergency petition \(/docs/default-source/advocacy/the-emergency-petition.pdf?sfvrsn=bf465e7e\\_3\)](#) with the California Supreme Court to remove the initiative from the November 2024 ballot. The petitioners allege it unlawfully revises the state constitution and would cripple essential government functions.

The California Business Roundtable (CBRT) — a group of the state’s wealthiest corporations — is sponsoring the initiative. The ballot measure would expand the definition of what constitutes a tax and raise the voter approval threshold for local taxes. The initiative would also limit certain fees to the least amount necessary to provide the service.

Several other government associations joined Cal Cities in supporting the request for pre-election review of the initiative. The letter highlights the CBRT initiative’s vague



provisions, unlawful revisions to the state constitution, and its potential to “disable <sup>financial</sup> planning” by local governments.

“ ... The proposed measure is already destabilizing government finance,” the letter states. “Substantial questions as to the lawfulness and meaning of the proposed measure arise that, if left unresolved through the November 2024 election, will exacerbate these uncertainties and necessarily reduce government efficiency for months and years after that election.”

The CBRT ballot measure would apply to any tax and certain fees adopted after Jan. 1, 2022. Local governments would have one year to ask voters to reapprove those taxes. The initiative would also impose new requirements for the ballot materials used to submit taxes to voters.

The mayors of some of California’s biggest cities also filed a [separate letter \(/docs/default-source/advocacy/cbrt-mayors-amicus.pdf?sfvrsn=db48408\\_3\)](/docs/default-source/advocacy/cbrt-mayors-amicus.pdf?sfvrsn=db48408_3), urging the Court for a pre-election review of the initiative. They argued it “poses an immediate threat to vital state and local services”.

“By granting review now, the Court has the opportunity to prevent Californians from voting on an improper Constitutional revision, and to relieve our communities of the pressure to comply with the Measure before its validity is determined,” the group of eight mayors said.

Courts generally hear writ petitions as a matter of discretion. Pre-election ballot measure reviews occur when the validity of an initiative is in serious doubt, and where the matter can be resolved before unnecessary expenditures of time and effort have been placed into a futile election campaign.

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# Cal Cities backs state-led legal challenge against deceptive ‘taxpayer protection’ ballot measure

Sep 27, 2023

The California Legislature, Gov. Gavin Newsom, and voter John Burton on Tuesday filed an emergency petition with the California Supreme Court seeking to remove the **“Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act” initiative** (<https://www.calcities.org/news/post/2023/08/09/an-existential-threat-to-cities-is-on-the-2024-ballot>) from the November 2024 Ballot.

The California Business Roundtable (CBRT) — a group of the state’s wealthiest corporations — is sponsoring the initiative.

The Legislature and others argue the CBRT initiative unlawfully revises the state constitution and cripples essential state and local government functions. The League of California Cities plans to file an amicus letter in support of the petition and a pre-election review of the initiative.

“If this measure passes, it will upend and jeopardize city revenue streams needed to provide essential local services,” **said Carolyn Coleman, Cal Cities Executive Director and CEO** (<https://www.calcities.org/news/post/2023/09/27/cal-cities-supports-legal-challenge-against-taxpayer-protection-ballot-measure>) . “Our residents expect and rely upon fire, police, and a wide range of other services — including shelter for those experiencing homelessness, safe streets and roads, the maintenance of playgrounds and sidewalks, and garbage removal. But with this measure, residents will get less.”

If passed, the CBRT ballot measure would expand the definition of what constitutes a tax and raise the voter approval threshold for local taxes. The initiative would also limit certain fees to the least amount necessary to provide the service. Governments would need to defend those fees with clear and convincing evidence. This ambiguity could lead to thousands of costly lawsuits.

“Given what’s at stake, our cities deserve clarity sooner rather than later regarding the validity of this measure,” Coleman said.

Crucially, the CBRT ballot measure would apply to any tax and certain fees adopted after Jan. 1, 2022. Local governments would have one year to ask voters to reapprove those taxes. The initiative would also impose new requirements for the ballot materials used to submit taxes to voters.

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# An existential threat to cities is on the 2024 ballot

*Aug 9, 2023*

Just what is the deceptively named Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act that's on the November 2024 ballot? For starters, it's a huge attack on local decision-making that puts all public services in California at risk.

Don't let the name fool you. Some of the state's biggest corporations — under the umbrella of the California Business Roundtable (CBRT) — are sponsoring the measure. The only thing it protects is large corporations trying to avoid paying their fair share.

The CBRT measure would significantly restrict the ability of cities to raise taxes and fees, including retroactively. Taxes or fees passed since Jan. 1, 2022, must abide by the measure's rules. The measure would also create new opportunities to challenge local revenue measures.

The League of California Cities estimates that approximately \$2 billion in existing fees and charges, along with \$2 billion in voter-approved measures, will be subject to legal peril if this measure passes.

"If passed, this thoughtless measure will put billions of dollars of vital local government services at risk and cost billions of dollars over many, many years in litigation costs just to determine what it means," said Michael Coleman, a local government finance expert. "Meanwhile, public services will deteriorate. All of this at the whim and for the benefit of a few big corporations and to the detriment of the public at large."

## How exactly would the measure impact my city?

The rules for increasing fees and taxes have been clear for many years. This measure fundamentally alters those rules. The CBRT measure would define *all* sources of revenue as either taxes or “exempt charges” (fees). Local governing bodies would not be able to delegate fee adjustments to administrative entities.

Currently, fees for services or products must cover the “reasonable” cost of service. The CBRT initiative would amend the law so that these fees could not exceed the “actual cost” of providing the product or service. It defines “actual cost” as the “minimum amount necessary.” This could mean cities would need to choose cheaper, less optimal projects, goods, and services or subsidize the activity, resulting in race-to-the-bottom service levels and quality.

The measure would also create a new requirement that some fees — including for use of or access to government property — must be “reasonable” to the payor. However, it does not define “reasonable.” At the same time, the measure would allow people to challenge fees by claiming a fee is unreasonable even if it meets the “actual cost” of service. This will result in lawsuits that taxpayers will be forced to fund.

Any taxes and fees adopted after Jan. 1, 2022, that do not comply with the measure’s rules would become void unless reenacted within a year of the effective date of the measure. Voters in an annexed area would need to approve existing taxes and local voters could no longer pass special taxes qualified by initiative with a simple majority.

Some major examples of affected fees and charges are emergency response fees, document processing and duplication fees, transit fees, tolls, parking fees, facility use charges, garbage disposal tipping fees, and potentially commercial franchise fees.



## Why does big business support this measure?

In a word: greed. The measure pretends to protect taxpayers. In reality, the measure protects the wealthiest taxpayers at the expense of local control and vulnerable residents.

Under these new rules, corporations would pay far less than their fair share for the impacts they have on communities. Requiring the rental or sale price of local government property to be “reasonable” rather than “fair market value” would also reduce cities’ negotiating power in favor of corporations.

Voters may also need to approve administratively imposed fines, penalties, and levies for corporations that violate laws unless a new, undefined adjudicatory process is used to impose the fines and penalties.

In short, the measure’s ambiguous language will result in countless lawsuits, reduced government services, and red tape all in favor of big business.

## What can my city do?

This is CBRT’s latest attempt to reverse court decisions favorable to local governments and dodge accountability. In doing so, it will make it even harder for local governments to provide vital services to their residents.

Cal Cities is working with a broad coalition of partners to defeat this measure. But we cannot do it by ourselves. Defeating this measure will take the efforts of city leaders throughout the state acting to stop it.

The first step is to pass a resolution or send a letter to Cal Cities opposing this measure. Send your [letter \(/docs/default-source/advocacy/cbrt-oppose-letter-02-03-23-final.docx?sfvrsn=2935cebb\\_3\)](#) or [resolution \(/docs/default-source/advocacy/cbrt-oppose-resolution-02-03-23-final.docx?sfvrsn=ccaf1fc\\_3\)](#) to [ballotmeasures@calcities.org \(mailto:ballotmeasures@calcities.org\)](mailto:ballotmeasures@calcities.org) .

Participation through [CitiPAC \(https://citipac.org/\)](https://citipac.org/) , which provides funding for ballot measure battles, is also crucial.