



OROVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Council Chambers
1735 Montgomery Street
Oroville, CA. 95965

March 17, 2026
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Council Members: Chuck Reynolds, Scott Thomson, Tracy Johnstone, Janet Goodson, Shawn Webber, Vice Mayor Eric Smith, Mayor David Pittman

CLOSED SESSION

The City Council held a Closed Session on the following:

Anticipated Litigation: The City Council conferred with the City Administrator and City Attorney regarding potential initiation of litigation pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code § 54956.9(c): 1 Case

Pursuant to Government Code section 54957.6, the Council met with Labor Negotiators and City Attorney to discuss labor negotiations for the following represented groups: All Units.

OPEN SESSION

1. Announcement from Closed Session – Direction given to staff; no action taken.
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Led by Vice Mayor Smith
3. Corrections/Changes to the Agenda – None.
4. Recusals – None.
5. Adoption of Agenda –

Motioned by: Council Member Goodson

Seconded by: Vice Mayor Smith

AYES: Council Member(s) Reynolds, Thomson, Johnstone, Goodson, Webber, Vice Mayor Smith, Mayor Pittman

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

None this meeting.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - HEARING OF NON-AGENDA ITEMS

The following member(s) of the public submitted public comment on this item: Rhonda Magnusson, Melva and Tom, Eric Shanke, The CameraMan, Palmer Horne, and Brenda Narayan.

REPORTS / DISCUSSIONS

1. Council Announcements and Reports

Vice Mayor Smith: Reminded the public that the Arbor Day Festival will be at the Convention Center this weekend. The City of Oroville, CA has been named Tree City USA for 46 years and counting.

Council Member Johnstone: Stated the Art Commission approved a Project for the Rainforest Art Project relating to Hewitt Park.

Mayor Pittman: Stated the SCOR plant is progressing well and the Ruddy Creek pump station is being worked on. He also stated there is a transportation study is being done regarding those who commute between Chico and Oroville. Lastly, he spoke on a League of Cities meeting he attended.

2. Administration Reports

Kayla Reaster, Assistant City Clerk: Reminded the Council that Form 700s are due April 1, 2026. She also spoke on the Clerk Report that was provided to Council as part of correspondence on the agenda. A monthly report will be provided going forward.

Amy Bergstrand, Director of Business Assistance and Housing Development: 2025 CDBG application has been submitted for storm drain on Foothill Blvd. Awards will be given in September 2026.

Ron Belser, Director of Code Enforcement: Provided the Council with February statistics of happenings in the Code Enforcement department.

Tim Kaber, Director of Public Works: Department report provided to the Council. It has been uploaded as a supplemental attachment to the minutes.

Pat Piatt, Director of Community Development: Provided Fire Marshall statistics to the Council.

Brian Ring, City Administrator: Spoke on the uptick of illegal parking happening in ADA parking spots. The Oroville Police Department will be stricter in monitoring this.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent calendar **items 1 - 6** were adopted in one action by the Council.

Motioned by: Council Member Goodson

Seconded by: Vice Mayor Smith

AYES: Council Member(s) Reynolds, Thomson, Johnstone, Goodson, Webber, Vice Mayor Smith, Mayor Pittman

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

1. REQUEST TO OPERATE BUSINESS OUT OF RESIDENCE

The City Council approved Mr. Reinert's request to operate an online software business from his home.

2. HOUSING ELEMENT ANNUAL REPORT

The City Council received and filed the 2025 Housing Element Annual Progress Report.

3. HOUSING SUCCESSOR AGENCY ANNUAL REPORT

The City Council received and filed the Housing Successor Agency Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

4. AMENDMENT TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH TROVER CONSTRUCTION PROJECT MANAGEMENT LLC TO INCREASE CONTRACT AMOUNT

The City Council approved amending the Professional Services Agreement with Trover Construction Project Management LLC to increase the contract amount by \$25,000. The Council also adopted Resolution No. 9448.

5. EXTENSION FOR COMPLETION OF THE MURAL PROJECT AT 1447 HUNTOON STREET OF AN ADDITIONAL FOUR MONTHS TO JULY 20, 2026

The City Council approved a time extension to allow the project to move forward and ensure successful completion.

6. APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 3, 2026 CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The City Council approved the drafted minutes of the March 3, 2026 City Council regular meeting.

REGULAR BUSINESS

7. NORTHSTAR CONTRACT FOR DOWNTOWN STORM DRAIN FEASIBILITY STUDY

The City Council approved an agreement to NorthStar Engineering for \$15,820 for a feasibility study for the downtown storm drain system bounded by Montgomery, Huntoon, Downer, and the levee. This study will specifically investigate options to alleviate flooding at the storm drain under the alley behind 2040 Montgomery Street. This was done by the following vote:

Motioned by: Council Member Thomson

Seconded by: Council Member Goodson

AYES: Council Member(s) Reynolds, Thomson, Johnstone, Goodson, Webber, Vice Mayor Smith, Mayor Pittman

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

8. DOWNTOWN ZONING REVIEW DISCUSSION

The following member(s) of the public submitted public comment on this item: Natalie Sheard and Marsha Henderson.

The City Council directed staff to defer any amendments to the zoning code at this time and evaluate the issue through the next General Plan amendment process anticipated in 2027 or 2028, when it can be considered as part of a broader review of land use policy and planning consistency.

9. HEWITT PARK - GEORGIA-PACIFIC TRAIN PAINTING PROJECT UPDATE

The City Council received an update regarding a memorandum of understanding for the painting of the trains at Hewitt Park. The City Council directed staff to work on an MOU with local non-profits to retain individuals who are qualified, trained, certified, and insured in working in the conditions to assess what efforts are needed and perform any painting that can be appropriately done.

10. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

The City Council received the annual unaudited financial information for the year ending June 30, 2025.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

11. 5:00 PM - CLOSEOUT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT 22-CDBG-PI-00026

The public hearing was opened at 5:10PM. The public hearing was closed at 5:15PM.

The City Council conducted a public hearing relating to the performance and the final accomplishments of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) No. 22-CDBG-PI-00026. They authorized the closeout of 22-CDBG-PI-00026 by the following vote:

Motioned by: Council Member Goodson

Seconded by: Vice Mayor Smith

AYES: Council Member(s) Reynolds, Thomson, Johnstone, Goodson, Webber, Vice Mayor Smith, Mayor Pittman

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

12. 5:15 PM - ELECTED OFFICIALS' TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ORDINANCE

The public hearing was opened at 5:15PM. The public hearing was closed at 5:31PM.

The following member(s) of the public submitted public comment on this item: Jeff McClure (electronic), Brian Wong, The CameraMan.

The City Council revisited the topic of transparency and accountability for elected officials and provided input on revised language created based off of direction given to staff at the December 16, 2025 and February 17, 2026 City Council Meetings. Direction was provided to staff to remove the demand for resignation verbiage.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - HEARING OF NON-AGENDA ITEMS

This is the time to address the Council about any item not listed on the agenda. If you wish to address the Council on an item listed on the agenda, please follow the directions listed above.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / CORRESPONDENCE

1. Future Agenda Items – None.
2. Correspondence
 - i. **City of Oroville Fire Department February 2026 Statistics Report**
 - ii. **Business Assistance and Housing Development Monthly Report**
 - iii. **Hearing Notice-Oroville Union High School District-Facility Fees**
 - iv. **January and February 2026 City Clerk Department Reports**

ADJOURN THE MEETING

The meeting adjourned at 6:37PM.

Signed by:

Kayla Reaster

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Kayla Reaster, Assistant City Clerk

Signed by:

David Pittman

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David Pittman, Mayor