



OROVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Council Chambers
1735 Montgomery Street
Oroville, CA. 95965

**April 01, 2025
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

This agenda was posted at Oroville City Hall on Friday, March 28, 2025. The video from this meeting can be viewed on our website www.cityoforoville.org or on our YouTube channel.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

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

CLOSED SESSION

The Council held a Closed Session on the following:

1. Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2), the Council met with the City Administrator and City Attorney regarding potential exposure to litigation – One case(s).
2. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, the Council met with the Personnel Officer to discuss Public Employee Performance Evaluations. Position Title: Department Heads and Contract Employees

OPEN SESSION

1. Announcement from Closed Session – No reportable action taken; direction given.
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Led by Council Member Webber.
3. 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: Bill Speer, Bruce Harck, Ed Hopkins, Janice White and Ryan Williams.

REPORTS / DISCUSSIONS

1. Council Announcements and Reports

Council Member Johnstone: Announced Mission Esperanza is scheduled to open late April. She also mentioned that Mission Esperanza was awarded funds from a CalAim Grant.

Council Member Goodson: Spoke on Mission Esperanza and gave kudos to Council Member Shawn Webber, who will be installing the carpet for Mission Esperanza.

Vice Mayor Smith: Announced that the “Fight the Bite” advertising has began with the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control Board (BCMVCB). He notified Council and members of the public if they are to hold a large event, if they contact the BCMVCB they will spray the area to prevent mosquitos from gathering at the event.

Council Member Reynolds: Announced the loss of a citizen who was prominent in the Oroville community, Whitey “Moss Rock” Keith Chien. He sent his condolences to the family.

2. Administration Reports

Brian Ring, City Administrator: Spoke on the Hwy 162 project, as it is nearing completion. CalTrans road repair to on 162 will be delayed until the spring. Staff and Council Member Webber, along with Mayor Pittman will meet soon with CalTrans to see if it would be possible to expedite the road repairs. If the expedition of the road repairs cannot occur; Staff will be requesting for them to fix the potholes.

Ron Belser, Code Enforcement Director: Provided the March 2025 statistics to Council. He announced he’s been looking into vacant buildings in the downtown area. A detailed report on his findings have been sent to Council via email.

Alyssa Stutz, Interim Public Works Director: Announced that the potential new museum curator has accepted an offer from the City. Washington Ave. and Table Mountain Blvd. contract to come at the next meeting; along with the Corp Yard, and a contract with Brandley Engineering for work at the Airport. The Lott Home RFP is receiving submittals at this time. Lamson Construction completed a culvert repair on Long Bar Rd. Tree City USA application has been approved. An ongoing analysis is being done on the feasibility of an “in house” pavement management team. 172 tons of paving was laid down by staff in March of 2025. There are 2 new Parks Technicians who’ve come on board. Lastly, she announced that an Airport RFP will be open for bid soon regarding work on the runways.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent calendar **items 1 - 6** are adopted in one action by the Council. The Consent calendar was passed by the following vote:

Motioned by: Council Member Goodson

Seconded by: Council Member Johnstone

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

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

1. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ZONING CODE AMENDMENT (ZC) 24-04, AMENDING SECTION 17.04.060 (DEFINITIONS) AND CHAPTER 17.20 (SIGN REGULATIONS) OF THE OROVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE (OMC)

The City Council adopted ZC 24-04, amendments to the City's Sign Code as it pertains to the regulation of freestanding-signs, wall signs, and the processing of sign programs. ZC 24-04 would specifically amend Section 17.04.060 "Definitions," Section 17.20.070 "Requirements for specific types of signs," Section 17.20.080 "Sign programs", Section 17.20.120 "Requirements for commercial and mixed-use districts," Section 17.20.130 "Requirements for industrial districts," and Section 17.20.140 "Requirements for special purpose districts."

2. FORECLOSURE OF 9 MIDWAY DRIVE

The City Council approved initiating foreclosure proceedings related to the City of Oroville's interest in the Deed of Trust against the property located at 9 Midway Drive, Oroville (APN: 033-232-008) by adopting Resolution No. 9362.

3. AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE SALE OF CITY REAL PROPERTIES

The City Council approved amending Resolution Number 9346 that authorized the Mayor or City Administrator to execute all documents related to the sale of 1218 Bird Street to authorizing the Director of Business Assistance and Housing Development to execute all documents related to the sale of 1218 Bird St. This was done by adoption of Resolution No. 9363.

4. SUPPORT FOR SENATE BILL 456 (ASHBY) – COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION ACT

The City Council approved of a letter of support for Senate Bill 456 (Ashby), which would exempt muralists from contractor licensing requirements under the California Business and Professions Code. The bill aims to remove unnecessary regulatory barriers to the creation of public art, facilitating community beautification and economic development initiatives across the state, including in the City of Oroville.

5. LETTER IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 554 – LAW ENFORCEMENT: IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT

The City Council approved a letter in support of Senate Bill (SB) 554, which would make modifications to the California Values Act, providing clarity with regard to how local law enforcement officials are to cooperate with federal authorities.

6. LETTER IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 74 – INFRASTRUCTURE GAP – FUND PROGRAM

The City Council approved a letter of support for Senate Bill 74, which would establish the Infrastructure Gap – Fund Program to provide gap funding grants to local agencies to develop and construct infrastructure projects.

REGULAR BUSINESS

7. PROJECT PRIORITIZATION CRITERIA

Alyssa Stutz, Interim Director of Public Works presented this item to the City Council.

The City Council provided feedback on the proposed criteria that will be used to determine how large projects - both programmatic and capital - will be prioritized by engineering staff.

8. GENERAL PLAN PROGRESS REPORT FOR REVIEW BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION, THE CITY COUNCIL, AND THE GOVERNORS OFFICE OF LAND USE AND CLIMATE INNOVATION

Wes Ervin, City Planner presented this item to the City Council.

The City Council received and accepted a report on the status and relevance of the Oroville 2030 General Plan, which was adopted in 2015.

9. AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT 3530 WITH OURENERGY

Patrick Piatt, Community Development Director presented this item to the City Council.

City Council approved the amendment the existing professional services agreement with OurEnergy to increase the agreement amount by \$50,000. These additional funds will allow OurEnergy to continue providing on-call consulting services and expand their scope to include a comprehensive infrastructure cost estimate for the Southside neighborhood and a preliminary analysis of a potential microgrid in that area 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

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None this meeting.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - HEARING OF NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None received.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / CORRESPONDENCE

1. Future Agenda Items – None discussed.
2. Correspondence – None received.

ADJOURN THE MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 6:04PM.

Signed by:

Kayla Reaster

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Kayla Reaster, Assistant City Clerk

Signed by:

David Pittman

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David Pittman, Mayor