



OROVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Council Chambers
1735 Montgomery Street
Oroville, CA. 95965

March 03, 2026
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Council Members: Chuck Reynolds (**arrived at 3:34PM**), 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:

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.
2. The City Council met with the City Administrator and City Attorney for Conference With Real Property Negotiator pursuant to Gov. Code § 54956.8
Property: Assessor's Parcel Numbers: 030-360-092, 030-110-029.
Agency Negotiator: Brian Ring, City Administrator
Negotiating Parties: Premier Enterprise, Inc.
Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment relating to infrastructure financing and development obligations associated with approval and development of the property.

OPEN SESSION

1. Announcement from Closed Session – No reportable action taken; direction given to staff.
2. Pledge of Allegiance – led by students from Ophir Elementary School.
3. Corrections/Changes to the Agenda – None.
4. Recusals – Item(s) 3 and 15: Vice Mayor Smith recused. Item 8: Council Member Johnstone recused.
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: The CameraMan, Loni Lind, Rhonda Magnusson, Shane Gower.

REPORTS / DISCUSSIONS

1. Council Announcements and Reports

Council Member Webber: The Oroville Community Development Coalition (OCDC) participated in a tour of the Hall of Records located on Nelson Avenue with the elected Clerk Recorder Keaton Denlay. The complexities of running an election were discussed. He reminded the public of the next OCDC meeting taking place on Monday, March 9, 2026. At that meeting they will hear from Mike Weber, Mike Walcott, and Kyra Gottsman from the local newspaper. They will hear why local journalism and the newspaper are important.

Mayor Pittman: Attended a Butte County Association of Government (BCAG) meeting. At that meeting it was discussed there is a transit study to be done between the area of Chico and Oroville. Communications will come from BCAG soon asking for community input.

2. Administration Reports

Patrick Piatt, Director of Community Development: Developer notices are circulating in the community that are fraudulent. Staff are telling those who reach out about these notices not to pay and refer them to the Police Department to file a report.

Tim Kaber, Director of Public Works: Hewitt Park Environmental Health inspection has been done for the new splash pad at Hewitt Park. Notified an item will come forward on April 7th regarding a Corporation Yard update. The asphalt work on the Montgomery Roundabout project will be launched in April. Lastly, the Hwy 162 project has been awarded to Tiger Construction by CalTrans.

Ron Belser, Director of Code Enforcement: On December 25, 2025 the City received a DOJ Tobacco grant. Today, inspections were initiated. May bad substances were being sold in City limits. Businesses are being cited. The DOJ and ATF will be in the City to conduct their own inspections next month.

Kayla Reaster, Assistant City Clerk: Reminded the Council that Form 700s are due to the FPPC by April 1, 2026. Announced that the nomination period for the Sam Norris Award is opened and will close on April 3rd at 12PM.

Brian Ring, City Administrator: Provided an update on fluoride in our CalWater supply. The CPUC unanimously approved the removal of the fluoride in our drinking water. Earmark funding deadline is Friday. The two projects that our lobbyists are seeking funding for include the South Oroville and Burlington drainage project, and the sidewalk gap fill from Hwy 162 to City limits.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent calendar **items 1,2,5-7** were adopted in one action by the Council. Items 3 and 4 were removed and discussed and voted on immediately after adoption of consent calendar items.

Items 1,2,5-7 were approved 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. RESOLUTION HONORING CITY OF OROVILLE EMPLOYEES IN RECOGNITION OF EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION DAY

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 9444 - A Resolution Honoring City of Oroville Employees in Recognition of Employee Appreciation Day on March 6, 2026 and authorized the Mayor to sign.

2. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING ARBOR DAY IN THE CITY OF OROVILLE

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 9445 – A Resolution Recognizing Arbor Day (April 24, 2026) In The City Of Oroville, Encouraging Community Participation In Tree Planting And Preservation Efforts, and authorized the Mayor to sign.

3. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PUBLIC ENTITY AGREEMENT WITH DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES FOR PROVIDING ADVANCE FUNDING FROM FURTHER SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS FUND DISBURSEMENTS

This item was removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and voting.

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 9446 authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Public Entity Agreement with the Department of Water Resources for providing advance funding from future Supplemental Benefits Fund disbursements, and authorized the Mayor to sign by the following vote:

Motioned by: Council Member Goodson

Seconded by: Vice Mayor Smith

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

NOES: None

RECUSED: Vice Mayor Smith

ABSENT: None

4. LETTER IN SUPPORT OF ASSEMBLY BILL 1708 – HOMELESS, HOUSING, ASSISTANCE AND PREVENTION PROGRAM: ROUND 7

This item was removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and voting.

The City Council approved a letter of support for Assembly Bill 1708, which would allow smaller cities (those under 300,000 in population) to compete for Homeless, Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP) funding and authorized the Mayor to sign 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

5. UPDATED JOB DESCRIPTION FOR LEAD PUBLIC WORKS OPERATOR AND NEW LEAD PARK MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN JOB DESCRIPTION

The City Council adopted an updated job description for Lead Public Works Operator and a newly created Lead Park Maintenance Technician job description.

6. A RESOLUTION OF THE OROVILLE CITY COUNCIL ACKNOWLEDGING THE PROJECT COMPLETION OF LINCOLN STREET FAMILY APARTMENTS AND TO CLOSEOUT COMMUNITY DEVELOPPMENT BLOCK GRANT, 21-DRMHP-21003-NTP1

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 9447 acknowledging the project completion of Lincoln Street Family Apartments (Lincoln Village) and to close out grant agreement 21-CDNHP-21003-NTP1.

7. APPROVAL OF THE 02.17.2026 CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The City Council approved the drafted 02.17.2026 City Council Regular meeting minutes.

REGULAR BUSINESS

8. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS FOR RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS

The City Council received and filed the fiscal impact analysis prepared by Willdan Financial Services for the Ruddy Creek, Calle Vista, Linkside Phase 2, and Feather Ranch Residential Projects; and provided direction to staff to work with Willdan Financial Services to proceed with the formation of a Community Facilities District to fund developer's underground infrastructure.

9. ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT – FEE WAIVER REQUEST

The City Council approved the request of a waiver of park rental fees in the amount of \$53.00 for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt to be held at Rotary Park on April 4, 2026 by the following vote:

Motioned by: Council Member Webber 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

10. UPDATED HEWITT PARK OPERATIONS, RULES, AND RENTAL FEES

The City Council approved the recommended operations, rules, and rental fees for Hewitt Park by the following vote:

Motioned by: Council Member Webber 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

11. NOVEMBER 3, 2026 GENERAL ELECTION POTENTIAL BALLOT MEASURES

The City Council directed staff to proceed with placing two measures on the November 3, 2026 General Election ballot regarding proposed amendments to the City Charter.

**12. PARTNERSHIP WITH THE OROVILLE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PAINT
GEORGIA-PACIFIC TRAIN LOCATED AT HEWITT PARK**

At the request of Council Member Webber and Vice Mayor Smith, the City Council provided direction to staff in regard to an agreement with the Oroville Union High School District for the painting of the train at Hewitt Park. They directed staff to avoid using the verbiage “student” or mentioning the name of the school district in an agreement and instead open it to all volunteers in the community who may want to offer their help.

13. FIRE STATION KITCHEN AND FLOOR REMODEL

The City Council approved an additional \$15,528.55 in appropriations for a minor/focused remodel at the Oroville Fire Station to address worn and outdated kitchen and flooring materials. The project will replace original cabinets from the 1980s, upgrade kitchen countertops, and remove existing laminate flooring installed around 2011 that is now heavily worn. Staff initially requested \$60,000 for this project in the current fiscal year budget; however, the project quote was received at \$75,528.55. The additional appropriations were approved 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**

14. APPROVAL OF BUDGET INCREASE FOR CONTRACT NUMBER 240150 FOR ADDENDUM NO. 1 TO TASK ORDER NO. 3 – ELGIN FT. WAYNE DRAINAGE STUDY, AMERICAN ENGINEERING

The City Council approved a budget increase for Addendum No. 1 to Task Order No. 3 with American Engineering (formerly known as W. Gilbert Engineering) for the Elgin Ft. Wayne Drainage Study. The amount of this budget increase is \$30,650.00 and it was approved by the following vote:

Motioned by: Council Member Johnstone 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**

15. PURCHASE OF A TABLE FOR 8 AT THE OROVILLE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL DINNER AND AWARDS CEREMONY

The City Council approved the purchase of a table for 8 in the amount of \$550.00 for the Oroville Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner and Awards Ceremony by the following vote:

Motioned by: Council Member Webber Seconded by: Council Member Johnstone

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

NOES: None

RECUSED: Vice Mayor Smith

ABSENT: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None this meeting.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - HEARING OF NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None received.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / CORRESPONDENCE

1. Future Agenda Items – Council Member Webber: lighting of the parking lot adjacent to Council Chambers. Seconded by Council Member Johnstone
2. Correspondence - None

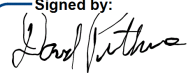
ADJOURN THE MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08PM.

Signed by:

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Kayla Reaster, Assistant City Clerk

Signed by:

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David Pittman, Mayor