



OROVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Council Chambers
1735 Montgomery Street
Oroville, CA. 95965

**January 20, 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:

Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2), the Council met with the City Administrator and City Attorney regarding potential exposure to litigation – Two cases.

OPEN SESSION

1. Announcement from Closed Session – Direction given; no reportable action taken.
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Led by students from Ophir Elementary School
3. Corrections/Changes to the Agenda - None
4. Recusals – Council Member Reynolds, and Mayor Pittman recused themselves on item number 9.
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

Absent: None

Abstained: 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: Natalie Deakins (electronic); Damian Arnold (electronic); Rhonda Magnusson; Bryan Williams; The CameraMan.

REPORTS / DISCUSSIONS

1. Council Announcements and Reports

Council Member Goodson: Spoke on the MLK day event and stated it was a great turnout with around 350-400 people in attendance. 9 Senior high school students were given scholarship awards of \$500 with a laptop included. The president of Chico State was in attendance as well as the Mayor and Council Member(s) Webber and Johnstone.

Council Member Webber: Credited Council Member Goodson and Pastor David Goodson on the MLK event. Spoke on the Oroville Community Development Coalition being given a tour of the new jail facility for the County before it's grand opening happened. He raved on the different elements at the new facility.

Vice Mayor Smith: Spoke on his attendance at the Annual Sportsmans Expo in Sacramento. Stated that those in attendance spoke highly of their love of Oroville and DWR for their handling of the mussel inspections at the lake for boaters.

Mayor Pittman: Attended the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new County jail facility and stated he too, was impressed. Spoke on a meeting that has been set with the City Administrator and those that represent the Bird Cage Theatre regarding repairs needed for their building.

Council Member Johnstone: Thanked Council Member Goodson for the MLK day event. She specified the new jail facility will have a specific mental health area for those resistant to receiving needed services.

2. Administration Reports

Chris Tenns, Fire Chief: Notified Council the Opticom project is now complete and there are signal interrupters on the lights to assist emergency service response times.

Amy Bergstrand, Director of Business Assistance and Housing Development: Reported that Mission Esperanza remains consistent in its usage, with typically 28-32 individuals utilizing the congregate shelter daily, and 30 currently in the pallet shelters.

Patrick Piatt, Director of Community Development: A CFD and Annexation plan update will be coming in the next couple of weeks.

Ron Belser, Director of Code Enforcement: Reported on the DOJ Tobacco Grant – all businesses appear to be in compliance in regard to having the proper license(s).

Tim Kaber, Director of Public Works: Announced there will be a Safe Streets Grant meeting on Thursday.

Brian Ring, City Administrator: Reminded the Council that with LaMalfa's sudden passing, the north state is currently without representation. His staff continue to meet with constituents but there is currently no advocacy work being done. He also reminded the Council that it is time for them to file their annual Form 700s with the FPPC.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

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

Absent: None

Abstained: None

1. **RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND HONORING CONGRESSMAN DOUG LAMALFA**

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 9433 commending and recognizing Congressman Doug LaMalfa for his exemplary public service and advocacy on behalf of the City of Oroville, and Northern California, and expressing condolences and support to his family.

2. **UPDATED 2026 SALARY SCHEDULE INCLUDING THE NEGOTIATED 3% COST OF LIVING INCREASES AND 5% OPOA SWORN INCREASES**

The City Council approved the updated salary schedule which incorporated the most recent 3% Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLA) per the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) contracts for each unit, the 5% increase for the Oroville Police Officers Association (OPOA) sworn personnel and adjustments associated with department heads.

3. **MYERS STREET RESURFACING PROJECT CONTRACT INCREASE**

The City Council approved a contract overage payment of \$11,531.66 to Pavement Coatings Company. These increased costs were due to planned delays in the project which were reimbursed to the City from Pacific Gas and Electric.

4. **UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT FOR DESIGN REVIEW OF TABLE MOUNTAIN/WASHINGTON COMPLETE STREETS PROJECT**

The City Council approved a Reimbursement Agreement (A-3574) for design review of the Table Mountain/Washington Complete Streets project by Union Pacific Railroad.

5. **AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH WILLDAN FINANCIAL SERVICES – SPECIAL TAX CONSULTING SERVICES**

The City approved an agreement (A-3575) for Professional Services with Willdan Financial Services (Willdan) to provide special tax consulting services, including preparation of a Fiscal Impact Analysis and formation of a Community Facilities District (CFD).

6. APPROVAL OF 01.06.2026 CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The City Council approved the drafted 01.06.2026 City Council regular meeting minutes.

REGULAR BUSINESS

7. EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT WITH TIM KABER FOR POSITION OF PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

The City Council an employment contract with Tim Kaber (A-3576) for the position of Public Works Director for a term of January 19, 2026, through January 18, 2029 with an annual compensation of \$142,619. They also adopted Resolution No. 9434. This was done by the following vote:

Motioned by: Council Member Goodson

Seconded by: Council Member Thomson

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

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstained: None

8. UPDATED HEWITT PARK HOURS AND RENTAL FEES

The City Council directed staff to hold an administrative meeting to discuss further details regarding the rental fees. This item will be brought back to the Council at a later date.

9. CONSIDERATION OF CITY SUPPORT FOR THE 38TH ANNUAL ROTARY ROUNDUP EVENT – PURCHASE OF A TABLE

The City Council approved the purchase of a table to support the 38th Annual Rotary Roundup at a cost of \$600.00 by the following vote:

Motioned by: Council Member Goodson

Seconded by: Council Member Johnstone

Ayes: Council Member(s) Thomson, Johnstone, Goodson, Webber, Vice Mayor Smith

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstained: Council Member(s) Reynolds and Mayor Pittman

PUBLIC HEARINGS

10. 2025 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION

The City Council approved Resolution No. 9425 for the submittal of 2025 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Application 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

Absent: None

Abstained: None

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION – HEARING OF NON-AGENDA ITEMS

The following member(s) submitted public comment on this item: Bill Speer.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / CORRESPONDENCE

1. Future Agenda Items –

Council Member Webber: Park Patrol, Kid Zone, Discussion on a fixed knife length allowable in public parks (seconded by Smith). Also wants to discuss using \$200k of contingency funds to give to Public Works for road work repairs, and another \$50k to staff to pursue grant opportunities (seconded by Johnstone and Smith). Lastly, would like an agenda item to come regarding the zoning in downtown Oroville (seconded by Johnstone and Smith).

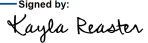
Council Member Thomson: Would like to see an agenda item come forward regarding monetary support for the annual Fly In event at the airport (Johnstone seconded).

2. Correspondence

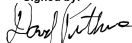
- i. **City of Oroville Fire Department Stat Report - December 2025**
- ii. **Open Letter for the Record from Donald Dirk**
- iii. **Correspondence from Jeff McClure**
- iiii. **Correspondence from Scott Rushing**

ADJOURN THE MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 5:48PM.

Signed by:

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Kayla Reaster, Assistant City Clerk

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David Pittman, Mayor