



OROVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Council Chambers
1735 Montgomery Street
Oroville, CA. 95965

April 21, 2026
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

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

CLOSED SESSION

The City Council held a Closed Session on the following:

1. Conference with Legal Counsel – The City Council conferred with the City Attorney regarding Existing Litigation pursuant to Government Code § 54956.9) (One Case)

Name of Case: Cherokee Properties v. City of Oroville, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California
Case No: 2:26-CV-00371-DMC

2. 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 and Contract Employees.

OPEN SESSION

1. Announcement from Closed Session – Direction given to staff; no reportable 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) Johnstone, Goodson, Vice Mayor Smith, Mayor Pittman

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Council Member(s) Reynolds, Thomson, and Webber

ABTAIN: None.

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

1. PRESENTATION FROM CINDY DANILUKE REGARDING THE ANY GIVEN CHILD (AGC) PROGRAM

The following member of the public submitted public comment on this item: Sara Carmody.

The City Council received a presentation by Cindy Daniluke that provided an overview of the Any Given Child (AGC) program and highlighted local efforts to expand arts education opportunities for Oroville-area students through collaborative partnerships. This presentation was accepted for information.

2. INVESTMENT UPDATE

The City Council received an investment update from Ryan Midkiff of Building Bridges Financial Advisors, regarding the investment account with Ameriprise Financial. This presentation was accepted for information.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - HEARING OF NON-AGENDA ITEMS

The following member(s) of the public submitted public comment on this item: Rhonda Magnusson, Loni Lind and Palmer Horne.

REPORTS / DISCUSSIONS

1. Council Announcements and Reports

Vice Mayor Smith: Reminded the public that Feather Fiesta Days is upcoming starting May 2. Service clubs will be taking part in the event.

2. Administration Reports

Brian Ring, City Administrator: State of the City event is April 28th, at 5:30PM at the Oroville State Theatre.

Patrick Piatt, Director of Community Development: Introduced Frank DeNatale as our newest Fire Marshall. He's been doing a great job.

Ron Belser, Director of Code Enforcement : Code Enforcement $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way through fire inspections for residences. 3000+ have been conducted thus far.

Tim Kaber, Director of Public Works: Reported 311 statistics. FBO roof complete at the airport as well as crack sealing. Hewitt Park is almost complete; staff are working on the dog park for smaller dogs as well as the solar lights. Next meeting he will bring an update for Bedrock Park. Montgomery roundabout is nearly complete. A lot of movement with our streets department with recent storms. Vanessa will be doing a presentation on museums next month.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent calendar **items 1, 3-10** were adopted in one action by the Council. Item 2 was removed to be discussed and voted on immediately after adoption of consent calendar items.

Motioned by: Council Member Goodson

Seconded by: Vice Mayor Smith

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

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Council Member(s) Reynolds, Thomson, and Webber

ABTAIN: None.

1. RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 3–9, 2026, AS PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION WEEK

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 9450 recognizing May 3–9, 2026, as Public Service Recognition Week in the City of Oroville.

3. MODIFICATIONS TO THE CAL HOME OWNER-OCCUPIED REHABILITATION LOAN PROGRAM GUIDELINES

The City Council accepted changes made to the Cal Home Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Loan Program Guidelines by adopting Resolution No. 9451.

4. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 1895 WITH AD HOC CITIZEN BUSINESS ADVOCACY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE STREAMLINING OF CERTAIN BUSINESS LICENSE AND PLANNING PERMITS TO REDUCE THE COST AND PROCESSING TIME FOR APPLICANTS

The City Council adopted Ordinance No. 1895 with changes to Oroville Municipal Code sections 17.04.060, 17.16.120, 17.16.180, and Tables 17.34.020-1, 17.28.010-1, 17.32.010-1, AND 17.36.010-1, for the purpose of streamlining certain business permits to reduce the time and cost of applying.

5. HOSTING THE TRAVELING EXHIBIT CHINESE PIONEERS: POWER AND POLITICS IN EXCLUSION ERA PHOTOGRAPHS AT THE Oroville CHINESE TEMPLE

The City Council approved the hosting of the traveling exhibition *Chinese Pioneers: Power and Politics in Exclusion Era Photographs* at the Chinese Temple Museum from August through October 2026.

6. RECERTIFICATION AND ADOPTION OF 2026 SEWER SYSTEM MANAGEMENT PLAN

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 9452 for the recertification and adoption of the 2026 Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP).

7. AGREEMENT WITH STRATEGIC EXPERTS LLC FOR MUNICIPAL UTILITY AND COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION ADVISORY SERVICES

The City Council approved an agreement with Strategic Energy Experts LLC (SEE) to provide advisory services related to the City's ongoing evaluation of local energy options, including a potential municipal electric utility and/or Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) program. SEE's role will be limited to advisory support, with the potential to assist in future implementation efforts should the City determine that forming a CCA is financially feasible.

8. UPDATED JOB DESCRIPTION FOR ASSOCIATE CIVIL ENGINEER TO ASSOCIATE CIVIL ENGINEER/PROJECT MANAGER

The City Council approved updates to the job description of Associate Civil Engineer, adding in responsibilities associated with project management, and renaming the classifications Associate Civil Engineer/Project Manager.

9. SUPPORT LETTER FOR SB 1216 (CABALDON) – HOUSING LEADERSHIP DESIGNATION PROGRAM

The City Council approved a letter of support for SB 1216 (Cabaldon), which establishes a Housing Leadership Designation Program to recognize jurisdictions that demonstrate strong housing production outcomes and provides associated regulatory flexibility.

10. APPROVAL OF APRIL 7, 2026 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The City Council approved the drafted regular meeting minutes from the April 7, 2026 regular City Council meeting.

ITEM REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA FOR ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATION AND DISCUSSION:

2. AUTHORIZATION TO REPAIR FIRE ENGINE 91

The City Council authorized expenditures to repair Fire Engine 91 following damage sustained while responding to a structure fire in early March. This was done by the following vote:

Motioned by: Council Member Goodson **Seconded by:** Vice Mayor Smith

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

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Council Member(s) Reynolds, Thomson, and Webber

ABTAIN: None.

REGULAR BUSINESS

11. NORTON STREET REHABILITATION PROJECT UPDATE

The City Council received an update on the Norton Street Rehabilitation project and options for traffic flow. The Council gave consensus to make the street a one-way street.

12. RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING VESTED RIGHTS OF PACIFIC COAST PRODUCERS AS LEGALLY NON-CONFORMING

At the request of Pacific Coast Producers (PCP), the Council approved Resolution No. 9453 acknowledging the vested rights PCP has to legally continue operations as a legal non-conforming business. This was done by the following vote:

Motioned by: Vice Mayor Smith

Seconded by: Council Member Goodson

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

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Council Member(s) Reynolds, Thomson, and Webber

ABTAIN: None.

13. FIRE DEPARTMENT COST RECOVERY – MANAGING SERVICE DEMAND

The City Council received information and provided direction on a proposed ordinance to establish a Fire Department cost recovery program. Council directed staff to bring this item back for a public hearing.

14. OROVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR INCREASED PRESENCE IN PARKS

The City Council heard recommendations from the Police Department in regard to increasing presence at City parks. Consensus was given to proceed with what is needed for the increase in parks presence.

15. AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION (PHASE II); DESIGN-BUILD ENTITY FOR CORPORATION YARD PROJECT, MULTI-BUILDING REMODEL AND SITE WORKDESIGN/BUILD PROJECT AT 655 CAL OAK

The City Council awarded the construction portion (phase II) of the contract with United Building Contractors, Inc (UBC) of Chico for Design/Build Construction Services on the new City of Oroville Corporation Yard by the following vote:

Motioned by: Council Member Johnstone

Seconded by: Council Member Goodson

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

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Council Member(s) Reynolds, Thomson, and Webber

ABTAIN: None.

16. NINE-MONTH BUDGET REVIEW

The City Council received a budget review for the nine months ending March 31, 2026, and approved the requested budget adjustments by the following vote:

Motioned by: Council Member Johnstone

Seconded by: Council Member Goodson

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

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Council Member(s) Reynolds, Thomson, and Webber

ABTAIN: None.

17. PURCHASE OF FIVE PATROL VEHICLES

The Police Department plans to budget for the purchase of four (4) new patrol vehicles for the 26/27 budget year and we will replace one vehicle that was damaged beyond repair. While four will be budgeted for next year and the 5th will be purchased via insurance funds, the Police Department is asking for approval to get on the list to pre-order the vehicles in an effort to reduce the delay in receiving the vehicles. The Council approved this by the following vote:

Motioned by: Council Member Goodson

Seconded by: Council Member Johnstone

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

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Council Member(s) Reynolds, Thomson, and Webber

ABTAIN: None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Public Hearing Procedure is as follows:

- Mayor or Chairperson opens the public hearing and staff will present the item and answer Council questions.
- The hearing is opened for public comment limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. In the event of more than ten (10) speakers, time will be limited to one and a half (1.5) minutes. Under Government Code 54954.3, the time for each presentation may be limited.
- Speakers are requested to provide a speaker card to the City Clerk
- Public comment session is closed and then the Council will debate and take action
- Those wishing to speak at the public hearings below, but unable to attend before 5pm, may request that the council consider holding the public hearing after 5pm by emailing cityclerk@cityoforoville.org or calling 530-538-2535. Please submit request 24 hours before the meeting.
- Individuals may email comments for council consideration to publiccomment@cityoforoville.org

18. 4:30PM - WAIVING OF FIRST READING AND INTRODUCE BY TITLE ONLY ORDINANCE NO. 1896 REGARDING GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT GPA26-02 AND ZONING CHANGE ZC26-02 AT 2020 MONTGOMERY ST (APN 012-032-014) AND 1453 DOWNER ST (APN 012-094-008)

The public hearing was called at: 5:23PM

The public hearing was closed at: 5:27PM

The City Council shall conducted a public hearing and considered the Zoning Change recommendations to modify the zoning of two downtown properties, identified as Assessor's Parcel Numbers 012-032-014 and 012-094-008. The proposed amendment would change the current Public or Quasi-Public (PQ) zoning to Downtown Mixed-Use (MXD) consistent with their surrounding neighbors. The Council directed staff to waive the first reading of Ordinance 1896 and directed staff to bring this item back at the May 5, 2026 City Council meeting for adoption.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - HEARING OF NON-AGENDA ITEMS

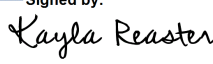
None received.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / CORRESPONDENCE

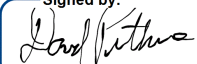
1. Future Agenda Items – None.
2. Correspondence
 - i. Fire Department Statistics Report for March 2026
 - ii. City Clerk Department Monthly Report March 2026
 - iii. Business Assistance and Housing Development Monthly Report March 2026
 - iv. PG&E Notice - Rate Increase Request to the CPUC
 - v. PG&E Rate Increase Request for Diablo Power Plant Cost Recovery

ADJOURN THE MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17PM.

Signed by:

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Kayla Reaster, Assistant City Clerk

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David Pittman, Mayor