



OROVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Council Chambers
1735 Montgomery Street
Oroville, CA. 95965

**December 03, 2024
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

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

CLOSED SESSION

The Council will held a Closed Session on the following:

1. 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 – Direction given; no action taken.
2. Pledge of Allegiance – led by Council Member Thomson.
3. Adoption of Agenda –

Motioned by Council Member Goodson

Seconded by: Vice Mayor Smith

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

1. UPDATE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CARE COURT

The Council heard a presentation from Scott Kennelly, Butte County Behavioral Health Director, regarding the implementation of Care Court, the new civil court process designed to provide early action, support and community-based behavioral health services to those in need. The Council accepted the presentation for information.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION – HEARING OF NON-AGENDA ITEMS

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

REPORTS / DISCUSSIONS

1. Council Announcements and Reports

Council Member Webber: Spoke on the upcoming toy drive for the Oroville Rescue Mission. He also spoke on Oroville Centric Services.

Vice Mayor Smith: Reminded the public that December 6 is the annual tree lighting and on December 14th, the annual Parade of Lights will be held.

2. Administration Reports

Ruth Duncan, Director of Finance – Reported that on that date, 2 finance personnel had their vehicles vandalized. Oroville Police Department was called and arrested the individual.

Amy Bergstrand, Director of Business Assistance and Housing – Reported that the Lincoln Street Apartments were awarded tax credits. The application was in the Top 3 of the CDBG applications submitted, they will be proceeding.

Brian Ring, City Administrator – Thanked Public Works staff for their storm response.

Ron Belser, Code Enforcement Division Manager – Informed Council that the Code Enforcement monthly report was emailed to them.

Frederick Mayo, Director of Public Works – Reported that the Bedrock Park fence has come down due to vandalism. In regard to the storm response there was over 320 hours of crew time worked, including 80 hours of overtime for the Street water crew. An additional 80 hours of cleanup went into the cleanup of the storm. There will be a mistletoe crafting event held at the Lott Home on December 8, from 10am-12pm. On December 14 the Pioneer Christmas will happen, the public is invited to attend. Lastly, Mr. Mayo reported that the crosswalks on Montgomery Street have been painted and the green line will be finished by the end of the week.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent calendar **items 1 - 2** are adopted in one action by the Council. Items that are removed will be discussed and voted on immediately after adoption of consent calendar items.

The Consent Calendar was approved by the following vote:

Motioned by Council Member Goodson

Seconded by: Vice Mayor Smith

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: Mayor Pittman

1. **\$5000.00 CONTRIBUTION TO SUPPORT THE OROVILLE ROTARY CLUB'S LIGHTING OF THE GREEN BRIDGE PROJECT**

Dean Gurr submitted public comment on this item.

The City Council made a \$5,000.00 contribution to support the Oroville Rotary Club's Lighting of the Green Bridge Project by the following vote:

2. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

The City Council approved the Regular Meeting Minutes of 11.05.2024 and 11.19.2024.

REGULAR BUSINESS

3. **DISCUSSION OF THE SALE AND USE OF FIREWORKS WITHIN THE CITY**

Brian Ring, City Administrator presented this item to the Council.

The following member(s) submitted public comment on this item: C.O. Torres, Lisa Torres, Robert Fager, The CameraMan, Jonathan Taylor, Roger Edmundson, Michelle Huffman, Jackie Glover, Celia Hirschman, Bryan Williams, Jennifer Martin, Mike Brown, Nolan Neva and Dennis Revell.

The Council considered the future sale and use of fireworks within the City limits.

The Council voted to allow fireworks to be used and sold in the City limits, however limiting the use during certain holidays and adding in a criterion where the sale and use would be temporarily prohibited based on fire danger and public safety resources availability by the following vote:

Motioned by Council Member Riggs

Seconded by: Council Member Thomson

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

4. RETENTION OF OUTSIDE COUNSEL TO REVIEW THE APPLICATION AND SCOPE OF ARTICLE XXVIII SECTION 3 OF THE OROVILLE CITY CHARTER

Brian Ring, City Administrator presented this item to the Council.

The following member(s) of the public submitted public comment on this item: Luke Sheard, Linda Draper, Celia Hirschman, Natalie Sheard, Bryan Williams and TJ Jensen.

The City Council directed the City Administrator to enter into an agreement with independent outside counsel to review the applications and scope of Article XXVIII Section 3 of the Oroville City Charter by the following vote:

Motioned by Council Member Goodson

Seconded by: Council Member Webber

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

NOES: Council Member Thomson

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

5. ELECTED OFFICIAL GUIDING PRINCIPLES HANDBOOK

Brian Ring, City Administrator presented this item to the Council.

Council considered the drafted Elected Official Guiding Principles handbook and provided input and staff direction. To be brought back at the next City Council meeting for adoption.

6. TRANSFER OF COMMUNITY NAVIGATOR PROGRAM (EMPLOYEES AND ASSETS) FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO THE CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT

Ron Belser, Code Enforcement Division Manager presented this item to the Council.

The Council approved the transfer of the Two (2) Community Navigator positions, and assets from the Police Department to the Code Enforcement Department by the following vote:

Motioned by Council Member Riggs

Seconded by: Council Member Goodson

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

7. ESTABLISHMENT OF OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUND AND FUNDING TWO COMMUNITY NAVIGATOR ALLOCATIONS

Ruth Duncan, Director of Finance presented this item to the Council.

The City Council approved the transfer of Opioid funds in the amount of \$258,356.94 into the newly established Opioid Settlement Fund 121 and approved its use to fund two Community Navigator positions in the amount of \$150,000.00 by the following vote:

Motioned by Council Member Goodson

Seconded by: Council Member Johnstone

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: 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

8. 5:15PM - AMENDMENT TO THE PERMANENT LOCAL HOUSING ALLOCATION (PLHA) FIVE YEAR PLAN AND APPLICATION FOR YEAR 2023 ALLOCATION

Public Hearing called at 5:22PM

Amy Bergstrand, Director of Business Assistance and Housing presented this item to the Council.

The Council adopted Resolution No. 9325 - A Resolution of the Oroville City Council authorizing the application and amending the PLHA Plan for the Permanent Local Housing Allocation Program; approved the submittal of a PLHA Streamline Grant Agreement for 2023; and authorized staff to implement the grant if awarded by the following vote:

Motioned by Council Member Riggs

Seconded by: Council Member Goodson

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - HEARING OF NON-AGENDA ITEMS

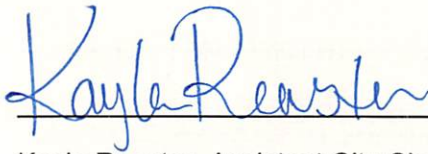
The following member(s) of the public submitted public comment on this item: Bryan Williams.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / CORRESPONDENCE

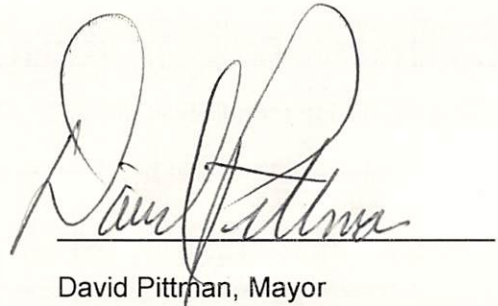
1. Future Agenda Items - None
2. Correspondence - None

ADJOURN THE MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05PM.



Kayla Reaster, Assistant City Clerk



David Pittman, Mayor