



OROVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Council Chambers
1735 Montgomery Street
Oroville, CA. 95965

October 21, 2025

AMENDED 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:

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 – Four Cases.

Council Member Scott Thomson recused himself on one item regarding potential exposure to litigation due to a property interest.

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.
2. Pledge of Allegiance – led by Council Member Reynolds.
3. Changes/Corrections 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) 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: Rhonda Magnussen; Skipper Clark; Bill Speer; Brian Wong.

REPORTS / DISCUSSIONS

1. Council Announcements and Reports

Council Member Webber: Spoke on the Friday “Spooktacular” event in Downtown Oroville. He stated it was a great event that was well put together. The following day there was the Halloween parade downtown which Council Member Webber stated it was fun with an amazing turn out. He personally thanked Tracy Grant for her assistance it both events.

Mayor Pittman: Shared an idea he’s been working on that is a conceptual idea at this point. It is in coordination with the Rainforest Art Project. The idea is to put mosaic panels up on the Oroville Dam where the cement blocks are along the top of the dam area. He stated the Rotary and the Butte County Housing Authority is in support of the idea. The Mayor would like to explore the idea further and he received general consensus from Council to continue exploring the project.

Vice Mayor Smith: Mentioned he’d like to have the 250th 4th of July event on the Oroville Dam, if possible.

2. Administration Reports

Chris Tenns, Fire Chief: Presented a plaque to Amy Bergstrand, who they explained has been instrumental to the success of the Fire Department.

Jason Wines, Chief of Police: No vacancies remaining in the officer ranks. There is one Lieutenant position that is being used to hire a detective. Coffee with a Cop event happened at Starbucks and was successful. He mentioned that the Community Connect platform is slated to go live in January of 2026. There was personnel from the PD who toured the Yuba City evidence facility and they are using that facility to inform the design and layout for a potential new evidence facility for the Oroville evidence facility. Statistics were provided to Council for the month of October and it is estimated that the PD receives around 4,000 calls for service monthly.

Alyssa Stutz, Director of Public Works: Report provide to Council, uploaded and reflected as an attachment to these minutes.

Ron Belser, Director of Code Enforcement: Stated the graffiti on the bike trail is addressed every couple of weeks, and the Code Enforcement staff will be painting over the graffiti soon.

Brian Ring, City Administrator: Notified Council that a representative from The Ferguson group will be here next Thursday, October 30, 2025 if any Council Members would like to meet with them or send over any issues they’d like to have addressed.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent calendar **items 1 – 6** were adopted in one action by the Council. Items 2 and 4 were pulled for consideration and a separate vote:

Motioned by: Vice Mayor Smith

Seconded by: Council Member Goodson

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

1. RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE GRAND OPENING OF E CENTER'S CORPORATE OFFICE

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 9413- recognizing the grand opening of E Center's new corporate office, a regional hub dedicated to fostering community innovation, workforce development, and economic growth across Yuba, Sutter, Butte, Yolo, Lake, Glenn, and Tehama Counties.

2. AGREEMENT WITH OURENERGY

The City Council approved Agreement No. 3570 with OurEnergy, LLC to continue technical consulting services for the City's participation in PG&E's Microgrid Incentive Program (MIP) in an amount not-to-exceed \$25,000.00. The new agreement replaces a prior contract that expired on June 30, 2025, and authorizes the use of remaining previously appropriated funds to complete the next phase of work—development and submission of the MIP Tranche 2 grant application for the Oroville Municipal Airport.

Motioned by: Vice Mayor Smith

Seconded by: Council Member Goodson

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

3. HANGAR LEASE RENEWALS FOR BUTTE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AVIATION AND MARINE UNITS – OROVILLE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

The City Council approved new hangar lease agreements with the County of Butte, on behalf of the Butte County Sheriff's Office (BCSO), for continued use of two hangars located at 205 and 405 Chuck Yeager Way at the Oroville Municipal Airport.

4. AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO THE CONTRACT WITH BUTTE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE MISSION ESPERANZA PROJECT

The City Council approved Resolution No. 9412 amending the construction contract (A-3467-2) with Butte Construction Company to cover the additional costs of the final construction phase of the Mission Esperanza project in an amount not to exceed \$3,056,649, plus a 10% contingency for a total amount of \$3,396,277.

Motioned by: Vice Mayor Smith

Seconded by: Council Member Goodson

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: Council Member(s) Reynolds and Webber

5. REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST – OVERSEAS TRAVEL TO REVIEW BIOMASS AND WASTE-TO-ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES

The City Council approved the reimbursement of certain costs associated with international travel to London, England, and Venice, Italy, to review energy-related technologies that may have application within the City of Oroville's developing renewable-energy and waste-management framework in an amount not-to-exceed \$3462.00. During this trip, scheduled for November 7 - November 15, 2025, staff will meet with BREI project partners and review comparable operations that support the City's planned local biomass and solid-waste-to-energy initiatives.

6. APPROVAL OF THE 10.07.2025 CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The City Council approved the drafted 10.07.2025 City Council Regular Meeting Minutes.

REGULAR BUSINESS

7. APPROVAL OF NEW MUSEUM ASSISTANT JOB DESCRIPTION

The City Council approved the new Seasonal Museum Assistant job description and moved the current 0.7 FTE seasonal worker position from Parks and Trees, to Museums. This position is proposed to provide flexible, seasonal support to the City's museums, assisting with visitor services, volunteer coordination, and preservation of cultural exhibits across multiple sites. The position will help ensure that facilities remain open, welcoming, and well-staffed during periods of higher public demand such as weekends, holidays, and special events. This 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

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

8. APPROVAL OF UPDATED MASTER SALARY SCHEDULE

The City Council approved an updated Master Salary Schedule reflecting the addition of the recently approved classifications of City Engineer and Seasonal Museum Assistant 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

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

9. APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH DUKE SHERWOOD CONTRACTING FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE MONTGOMERY ROUNDABOUT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

The City Council approved Agreement No. 3572 for the Montgomery Street Roundabout Improvement Project to Duke Sherwood Contracting, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, and authorized the Mayor to execute the contract on behalf of the City 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

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

10. APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH ALPHACM FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE MONTGOMERY ROUNDABOUT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

The City Council approved Agreement No. 3571 with AlphaCM to provide construction management, inspection, and materials testing services for the Montgomery Street Roundabout Improvement Project and authorized the Mayor to execute the agreement on behalf of the City 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

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

11. OROVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE CONSIDERATIONS REGARDING DRIVEWAY CULVERT MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITY

Direction provided to staff: General consensus to from the City Council was that the culverts located on private property are the responsibility of the property owner. Additional direction was given to explore funding options such as the Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program for those who may be effected or unable to cover costs out of pocket.

12. CITY PARK DESIGNATION

The City Council directed staff to conduct further analysis into designating part of the levy as a wildlife preserve. This would allow for better funding options to be explored.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

13. 5:15PM – AMENDMENT TO OMC CHAPTER 5.06 – ALIGN BID BILLING/DUE DATES WITH BUSINESS LICENSE FEES; REPLACE NEW-BUSINESS WAIVER WITH PRORATION

Opened at: 5:20PM

Closed at: 5:24PM

The City Council conducted a public hearing and considered introducing an ordinance amending Oroville Municipal Code (OMC) Chapter 5.06 (Downtown Oroville Business Improvement District) to:

1. Align the collection of BID assessments with business license fees by making BID assessments due January 31 each year (billed January 1); and
2. Replace the existing first-year new-business waiver with a proration method based on the number of months remaining in the calendar year, counting the initiation month as a full month. (Existing provisions to be amended: OMC § 5.06.070 and OMC § 5.06.080.).

The City Council introduced, read by title only, and waived further reading of an ordinance amending OMC § 5.06.070 and OMC § 5.06.080 as described; and directed staff to return at the next regular meeting for adoption and to implement associated administrative updates by the following vote:

Motioned by: Vice Mayor Smith

Seconded by: Council Member Goodson

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

No additional public comment received.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / CORRESPONDENCE

1. Future Agenda Items –

Vice Mayor Smith: Would like the City staff to explore creating a policy for dilapidated equipment such as the old historic Buick kept at the Lott Home, and the 1911 Fire Apparatus truck at the Fire Department. He would also like to explore potential MOU opportunities with potential partnering agencies to tackle the Museums and the costs of upkeep.

2. Correspondence

i. Business Assistance and Housing Development Monthly Report

ADJOURN THE MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at: 6:19PM

Signed by:

Kayla Reaster

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Kayla Reaster, Asst. City Clerk

Signed by:

David Pittman

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David Pittman, Mayor