



## OROVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Council Chambers  
1735 Montgomery Street  
Oroville, CA. 95965

**August 15, 2023  
MINUTES**

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### **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

**STAFF:** City Administrator, Brian Ring; Assistant City Administrator, Ruth Duncan; Assistant City Clerk, Kayla Reaster; Business Assistance and Housing Director, Amy Bergstrand; Code Enforcement Director, Ron Belser; City Attorney, Scott Huber; Chief of Police, Bill LaGrone

### **CLOSED SESSION**

The Council held a Closed Session on the following:

1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b), the Council will meet with the the Personnel Officer and City Attorney to consider the evaluation of performance related to the following position: City Administrator

### **OPEN SESSION**

1. Announcement from Closed Session – Mayor Pittman announced that direction was given. There were no announcements out of Closed Session.
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Led by Council Member Krysi Riggs
3. Adoption of Agenda – Motioned by Council Member Goodson, seconded by Vice Mayor Smith. Motion passed Unanimously.

**AYES:** Johnstone, Riggs, Thomson, Goodson, Webber, Smith, Mayor Pittman  
**NOES:** None  
**ABSTAIN:** None  
**ABSENT:** None

### **PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

1. Council Member Johnstone read a proclamation honoring Gonzalo "Pee Wee" Curiel for his dedication to the Oroville Community and Oroville Airport. Pee Wee attended and received the proclamation in person.

## **PUBLIC COMMUNICATION – HEARING OF NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

The following individuals spoke on non-agenda items:

- Rodney Lahman
- Jamey Sorensen
- Alan Cartwright
- Dan Harvey
- Emily Jackson
- Bill Speer

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Consent calendar **items 1 - 4** 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.

**1. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH RSG FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY AND ANNUAL REPORTING SERVICES**

The Council adopted **Resolution No. 9178** – a Resolution of the City of Oroville authorizing and directing the Mayor to execute a professional services agreement with RSG., for annual reporting services, in an amount not to exceed \$28,500, through August 18, 2026 – (Agreement No. 3469).

**2. ACCEPT THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT STANDARD AGREEMENT 22-CDBG-PI-00026 AND ESTABLISH BUDGET FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE OROVILLE CONVENTION CENTER**

The Council accepted the 2022 Community Development Block Grant Program Income Allocation, Agreement No. 22-CDBG-PI-00026, in the amount of \$1,400,000.00. The Council also approved the budget adjustment indicated in the fiscal impact of the Staff Report, dated August 15, 2023.

**3. REQUEST TO WAIVE ADMISSION FEE FOR VARIOUS PROMOTIONAL EVENTS HELD AT THE OROVILLE MUSEUMS**

The Council approved the fee waivers for the outlined promotional events at the Oroville Museums in Fiscal Year 2023/24.

**4. PURCHASE OF NEW AND MODIFICATION OF EXISTING WATER RESCUE TRAILER**

The Council approved modification to the City owned trailer.

## REGULAR BUSINESS

**5. AGREEMENT AMENDMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH JENNIFER ARBUCKLE CONSULTING FOR SB 1383 IMPLEMENTATION AND COMPLIANCE (REDUCTION OF ORGANIC WASTE IN LANDFILLS) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023/24**

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

The Council approved an amendment to the Agreement with Jennifer Ar buckle Consulting for grant management and SB 1383 Compliance in an amount not to exceed \$98,800 through FY 2023/24 by the following vote:

Motioned: Council Member Goodson; Seconded: Council Member Riggs

AYES: Johnstone, Riggs, Thomson, Goodson, Webber, Smith, Mayor Pittman  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

**6. ANNUAL USE OF "MILITARY EQUIPMENT" AS DEFINED IN THE OROVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE**

Bill LaGrone, Chief of Police, presented this item to the Council.

The Council received the Oroville Police Department Annual Military Equipment Use Report for 2023 and approved the report by the following unanimous vote:

Motioned: Council Member Thompson; Seconded: Council Member Riggs

AYES: Johnstone, Riggs, Thomson, Goodson, Webber, Smith, Mayor Pittman  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

**7. PURCHASE OF MOBILE AUDIO AND VIDEO SYSTEMS FOR MARKED PATROL VEHICLES AND INTERVIEW ROOM CAMERA SYSTEM UPGRADE FROM AXON ENTERPRISES, INC.**

Bill LaGrone, Chief of Police, presented this item to the Council.

The City Council approved the Chief of Police to enter into a 5-year agreement with Axon for the purchase of the Axon Fleet system for twenty-five (25) vehicles, and; City Council approved the Chief of Police, with the approval of the City Administrator, to add additional vehicles to the agreement during the term of the agreement provided funding is available, and City Council approved the purchase of the upgraded interview room camera system by the following unanimous vote:

Motioned: Council Member Goodson; Seconded: Council Member Thomson

AYES: Johnstone, Riggs, Thomson, Goodson, Webber, Smith, Mayor Pittman  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

**8. NORTH STAR PLACE BRANDING FINAL BRAND REPORT**

Jordan Daley, Public Information Officer and Sam Ketchum of North Star presented this item to the Council.

The Council approved the proposed Oroville brand and marketing plan by North Star Place Branding and Marketing, including a budget adjustment of \$28,000.

Approved the new Oroville brand as presented by North Star Place Branding by the following vote:

AYES: Johnstone, Riggs, Thomson, Goodson, Smith, Mayor Pittman  
NOES: Webber  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

Approved the first-year marketing plan, timeline, and \$72,000 budget; approved an additional not-to-exceed \$28,000 for one year of additional creative materials and coaching by North Star; and approved contract amendment with North Star by the following vote:

AYES: Johnstone, Riggs, Thomson, Goodson, Mayor Pittman  
NOES: Webber  
ABSTAIN: Smith  
ABSENT: None

**9. LETTER TO FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION REGARDING RELICENSING OF OROVILLE DAM – PROJECT NO. 2100**

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

The Council provided alternative direction to staff with regard to adding Governor Gavin Newsom to the recipient list, and adding signature lines for each Council Member, rather than just the Mayor. This was passed by the following unanimous vote:

AYES: Johnstone, Riggs, Thomson, Goodson, Webber, Smith, Mayor Pittman  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

The following individual(s) spoke on this agenda item: Shannon Delong

## 10. COMMUNITY MEMBER APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

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

City Council made the following appointments:

Appointed David Tamori and Andee Krantz to the Arts Commission with terms expiring June 20, 2027; and appointed Audrey Holt to the Parks commission with a term that expires on June 30, 2028; and appointed Terry Smith to the Planning Commission with a term that expires on June 30, 2027; and appointed the Mark Grover and JD Holt to the Citizens Oversight Committee with terms expiring June 30, 2027 by the following unanimous vote:

AYES: Johnstone, Riggs, Thomson, Goodson, Webber, Smith, Mayor Pittman  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

The following individual(s) spoke on this agenda item: John Zilich

## PUBLIC COMMUNICATION – HEARING OF NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were 0 public comments during this section of the meeting.

## REPORTS/ DISCUSSIONS / CORRESPONDENCE

1. City Council Announcements and Reports
  - A. Webber – Spoke in regards to the business owners comments made earlier in the meeting, spoke on National Night Out, Oroville Community Development Coalition, thanked John Zilich for his assistance, and spoke on the Community Navigator Program.
  - B. Goodson – Spoke on the Hmong Cultural Center and the hope to add senior housing in the future, spoke on Chief LaGrone's PSA video regarding gun safety.
  - C. Riggs – Thanked Chief LaGrone and congratulated him on 21 years of service to the City of Oroville.
  - D. Smith – Spoke on Chief LaGrone's PSA regarding gun safety, and the great job that was done on the video. Spoke and reminded folks that the Salmon Festival will take place on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of September this year.
2. Future Agenda Items
  - A. Council Member Smith – Requested that staff look into a homelessness ordinance and asked that staff look into solutions to limit/prohibit the homelessness population from going through dumpsters/garbage cans.
  - B. Council Member Webber – Requested that the City purchase a hot water pressure washer/surface cleaner for the Public Works department to clean the downtown Oroville area. He also requested that staff look into obtaining plaques to place on historical buildings for self-education, self-guided tours, etc.
  - C. Council Member Riggs – Requested an update on the City Charter update. Brian Ring, City Administrator stated it will next meet on August 17, 2023,
3. Administration Reports – Brian Ring, City Administrator welcomed Patrick Piatt, the new Community Development Director, Fred Mayo Public Works Director and Kayla Reaster, the new Assistant City Clerk. Staff will be scheduling a meeting with the Executive Committee to review the Draft Response for the Grand Jury Report. From there a draft of the response will be given to the full Council on 9/5/2023. Public Works has been busy striping with the new striping machine and in/around school zones. Staff are continuing to gather information on

changing the speed in school zones and will be bringing details back to the Council in a month or so.

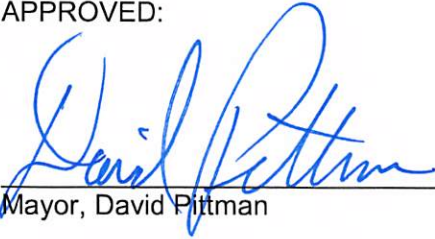
Correspondence

- i. Monthly Police Department Report

**ADJOURN THE MEETING**

Mayor Pittman adjourned the meeting at 7:28PM.

APPROVED:

  
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Mayor, David Pittman

ATTESTED:

  
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Assistant City Clerk, Kayla Reaster