

Budget Workshop of October 14, 2025

Present were: Mayor Naillon, Councilmembers Shaw, Marthaller, Werner, Hart and Moser.
Absent: None

Budget workshop began at 4:30 pm.

Salley Bull was present to discuss the Oroville Market Association's application for Hotel/Motel Tax Funds for the Oroville Farmer's Market; application amount is \$3,675. Bull explained the advertising done in 2025 and activities held during the Farmer's Markets. Further discussion on the success of the Health Care / Resource Day during the Farmer's Market. Mayor Naillon thanked Bull for updating the Council on the use of funds and the activities for the season.

Fire Chief Rawley was present to request the purchase of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA's) for the fire department; quote received for \$183,214.17, which will be a shared expense between the City and the Rural Fire District. Rawley anticipates having a down payment of \$70,000, which will consist of \$20,000 from the Rural Fire District, \$20,000 from the City Fire Equipment Reserve Fund, \$14,000 from the City/Rural Mutual Fire Equip. Acquisition Fund and the remaining amount from donations received by the Fire Department. Rawley stated that with a \$70,000 down payment, the annual payment for 7 years will be approximately \$10,000 each for the City and Rural Fire District. Council supported the request.

Clerk Denney explained the 2026 budget worksheets that were emailed out on October 9th; review of expenditures line by line. Discussed that the proposed budget does not provide for any wage increases. Clerk Denney discussed the 2026 premium increases announced by the AWC Trust; medical will increase by 8.7%, dental will increase by 4.3% and the LEOFF 1 retiree coverage under the Medicare Advantage Plan will increase by 23.5%. Discussion on the schedule for updating the Capital Facilities Plan. Mayor Naillon asked for input from Department Heads on the wages discussion; Hirst and Thompson expressed disappointment in staff not receiving increases in 2026, but understand the financial concerns discussed.

Council agreed with the worksheets provided; as there is no need for further discussion, the scheduled November 12th budget workshop will be cancelled.

Budget Workshop ended at 5:50 pm.

Budget Workshop Minutes approved _____

Mayor

Clerk