

CITY OF WEED CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 11, 2025

The City Council of the City of Weed held a regular meeting on Thursday, September 11, 2025, at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Darrell Parham called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Mayor Parham, were Council Members Mark Mazzoni, Ken Palfini, Phet Virasonh, and Melissa Whetstine. Also present were City Manager Dustin Stambaugh, Police Chief Justin Mayberry, City Attorney David Ruderman, Finance Director Jill Porterfield, Public Works Director Chris Davis, and City Clerk Sandra Duchi

III. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA/URGENCY ITEMS

Mayor Parham requested Resolution 30-2025 be added to the regular agenda. City Attorney Ruderman commented the item was presented after the agenda was posted and it is time sensitive requiring the urgency.

Council Member Palfini moved to add Resolution No. 30-2025 as item B under Council Business. Council Member Mazzoni seconded the motion and the vote was:

AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Palfini, Parham, Virasonh, and Whetstine.

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Council Member Whetstine moved to approve the agenda as amended. Council Member Mazzoni seconded the motion and the vote was:

AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Palfini, Parham, Virasonh, and Whetstine.

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

IV. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

Barbara Hegdal requested an update on 150 Alamo Ave.

Valarie Chang requested the City Council reconsider her request for a Type 21 liquor license transfer to 175 E. Vista Drive.

V. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Council Member Virasonh reported attending the Lao Longboat races in Merced with over 6000 persons in attendance. Council Member Mazzoni reported attending the LAFCO meeting discussing the issues with the non-publicly owned cemeteries in Siskiyou County, he then welcomed new City Manager Stambaugh and his wife to Weed. Council Member Whetstine reported it was her honor and privilege to announce an MOU has been created with the District Attorney and Roseburg Forest Products creating a 501c3 for the Weed Community Revitalization Foundation, establishing a fund for revitalization efforts. Council Member Palfini reported the Weed Resource Center has found a new home behind Personal Preference. Council Member Parham welcomed the new City Manager and his spouse for relocating to the City of Weed.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Parham read the consent agenda, asked for public comment, and asked if any member would like to pull any items from the consent agenda. There were none, and all other items were considered inclusively.

- A. By Motion – Council considered entering into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Teamsters Local 137.
- B. By Motion – Council considered Resolution No. 26-2025 approving salary adjustments for unrepresented employees.
- C. By Motion – Council considered Resolution No. 27-2025 approving the On-Call Planner Pool for FY 25/26 through 28/29.
- D. By Motion – Council considered Resolution No. 28-2025 adopting a Reinspection Policy and Fee.
- E. By Motion – Council considered approving minutes from August 14, 2025, Regular Meeting.
- F. By Motion – Council considered approving payment warrants dated August 8, 2025, including any voided warrants and manual issued items totaling \$1,226,553.08.
- G. By Motion – Council approved and filed month end report for August 2025.

City Attorney Ruderman reported the new salary schedule was completed and provided an oral summary of the recommended changes.

Council Member Palfini moved to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Virasonh seconded the motion, and the vote was:

AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Palfini, Parham, Virasonh, and Whetstine.

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

VIII.. PRESENTATION(S)

A. Proclamation – The Mayor read the proclamations honoring past City Council Members Calvin Vanderhoof and Stacey Green.

B. Ron Dickens, Measure O Committee Chair presented the Measure O Committee recommendations for Fiscal Year 2025/2026. Council will consider Resolution No. 29-2025 approving budget adjustments for the recommended Measure O allocations and consider entering into agreements with Weed Recreation and Parks Department and Weed Family Resource Center providing senior services to Weed seniors through the Measure O Tax allocation(s). Committee Chair Dickens presented the recommendations for Police, Fire, Public Works, and the Weed Recreation and Parks District. Council Members questions were asked and answered. Council Member Virasonh reported she supplied meals for the senior lunch program operated through the Family Resource Center and recused herself from further discussion and vote. Council Member Palfini reported he was the uncompensated Chair for the Siskiyou County Resource Collaborative that oversees the Weed Family Resource Center. Committee Chair continued with the recommendations from the committee for the Weed Family Resource Center. Council Members discussed. Council Member Whetstine moved to approve Resolution No. 29-2025, and enter into agreements with the Weed Recreation and Parks District and the Weed Family Resource Center. Council Member Mazzoni seconded the motion and the vote was:

AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Parham, and Whetstine

NOES: None

ABSENT : None

ABSTAIN: Council Member Palfini

RECUSED: Council Member Virasonh

IX. COUNCIL BUSINESS

A. League of California Cities – Council will consider appointing Melissa Whetstine as the Voting Delegate, and ask for nominations for Voting Delegate Alternate, for the League of CA Cities in Long Beach October 8 through October 10, 2025. Council Members discussed. There were no other nominations. Council Member Palfini moved to appoint Council Member Whetstine as the Voting Delegate. Council Member Mazzoni seconded the motion and the vote was:

AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Palfini, Parham, Virasonh, and Whetstine.

NOES: None

ABSENT : None

B. **Urgency Item Added.** Council considered Resolution No. 30-2025. City Manager Stambaugh presented to staff report. Council Members questions were asked and answered. Council Member Palfini moved to adopt Resolution No. 30-2025. Council Member Whetstine seconded the motion and the vote was:

AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Palfini, Parham, Virasonh, and Whetstine.

NOES: None

ABSENT : None

X. STAFF REPORTS

Public Works reported the Terrace Street waterline will be replaced next week and they are accepting applications for a Maintenance Man I, you can apply at Personnel Preference. City Clerk reported that the Planning Commission has requested the Council review the number of Short-Term Rentals within the city and recommends placing a cap on the number of permits. City Manager thanked the staff and Council and reported looking forward to getting to work. City Attorney reported he looks forward to meeting with the City Manager and Council Member in Long Beach.

Council Member Mazzoni moved to adjourn to closed session at 6:50 pm. Council Member Whetstine seconded the motion and the vote was:

AYES: Council Member Mazzoni, Palfini, Parham, Virasonh, and Whetstine.

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

XII. CLOSED SESSION

A. Conference with Legal Counsel; Anticipated Litigation (Gov. Code § 54956.9(d)(2)).

A point has been reached where, in the opinion of the City Council on the advice of its legal counsel, based on the below-described existing facts and circumstances, there is a significant exposure to litigation against the City.
Number of Potential Cases: One (1)

Receipt of Claim pursuant to Tort Claims Act or other written communication threatening litigation (copy available for public inspection in City Clerk’s office).
(Gov. Code § 54956.9(e)(3)).
Name of Person or Entity Threatening Litigation: Lee M. Deckard

XIV. ADJOURN TO OPEN SESSION
Announcement of action taken, if any, by the City Council in Closed Session required by the Ralph. M. Brown Act (Gov. Code, §§ 54950 et seq.)

Council Member Palfini moved to adjourn to open session at 7:29pm. Council Member Whetstine seconded the motion, and the vote was:
AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Palfini, Parham, Virasonh, and Whetstine.
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
There was no reportable action.

XV. ADJOURNMENT
Council Member Whetstine moved to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Mazzoni seconded the motion, and the vote was:
AYES: Council Members Mazzoni, Palfini, Parham, Virasonh, and Whetstine.
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

SINE DIE 7 :30pm

ATTEST :

Mayor

City Clerk