



# Willows City Council Regular Meeting Action Minutes

December 10, 2024  
Willows City Hall  
6:00 PM

City Council  
Gary Hansen, Mayor  
Evan Hutson, Vice Mayor  
Rick Thomas, Council Member  
Lorri Pride, Council Member  
Matt Busby, Council Member

City Manager  
Marti Brown

City Clerk  
Vacant

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## 1. CALL TO ORDER – 6:02 PM

## 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## 3. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Hansen, Vice Mayor Hutson, and Councilmember Pride

Councilmembers Absent: Councilmembers Thomas and Busby

## 4. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

## 5. PUBLIC COMMENT & CONSENT CALENDAR FORUM

### a. Register Approval

Action: Approved general checking, payroll, and direct deposit check registers.

### b. Minutes Approval

Action: Approved the November 26, 2024, meeting minutes.

### c. Certified 2024 Election Results

Action: Confirmed the 2024 certified election results.

**Moved/Seconded:** Councilmembers Thomas and Vodden

**Yes:** Mayor Hansen, Vice Mayor Hutson, and Councilmember Pride

**No:** None

**Absent:** Councilmembers Thomas and Busby

### e. Update of Fire Recovery USA Resolution to Add Consumer Price Index Escalator

Action: Adopted Resolution XX-2024 amending the Fire Recovery USA Resolution 19-2022 (May 10, 2022) to add a consumer price index (CPI) escalator and ensure adequate compensation for billable emergency response.

### f. WM Franchise Agreement – Annual Consumer Price Index Rate Increase

Action: Approved the WM Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase of 1.90%.

**Pulled d for a separate vote. Moved/Seconded a, b, c, e, f:** Vice Mayor Hutson and Councilmember Pride

**Yes:** Mayor Hansen, Vice Mayor Hutson, and Councilmember Pride

**No:** None

**Absent:** Councilmembers Thomas and Busby

d. **Transaction and Use Tax Agreements with the State of California**

Action: Approved the first resolution and authorized the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the State of California to implement the voter-approved 1.5% Local Transaction and Use Tax.

**Moved/Seconded:** Vice Mayor Hutson and Councilmember Pride

**Yes:** Mayor Hansen, Vice Mayor Hutson, and Councilmember Pride

**No:** None

**Absent:** Councilmembers Thomas and Busby

Action: Approved the second resolution and authorized the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the State of California to implement the voter-approved 1.5% Local Transaction and Use Tax.

**Moved/Seconded:** Councilmember Pride and Vice Mayor Hutson

**Yes:** Mayor Hansen, Vice Mayor Hutson, and Councilmember Pride

**No:** None

**Absent:** Councilmembers Thomas and Busby

Action: Approved to authorize the City Manager to amend the city's contract with HdL Companies to include continued sales tax monitoring and forecasting services for the new 1.5% sales tax.

**Moved/Seconded:** Vice Mayor Hutson and Councilmember Pride

**Yes:** Mayor Hansen, Vice Mayor Hutson, and Councilmember Pride

**No:** None

**Absent:** Councilmembers Thomas and Busby

6. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION CALENDAR**

a. **New Sewage Pump for Pacific Avenue Lift Station**

Action: Authorized the City Manager to purchase a new sewage pump from Pac Machine Co., Inc. for the Pacific Avenue sewer lift station in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.

**Moved/Seconded:** Councilmember Pride and Vice Mayor Hutson

**Yes:** Mayor Hansen, Vice Mayor Hutson, and Councilmember Pride

**No:** None

**Absent:** Councilmembers Thomas and Busby

- b. **Co-fund an Assessment Study to Determine the Feasibility of Joining Pioneer Energy CCA**  
Action: Authorized the City Manager to execute a Letter of Intent to co-fund an assessment study along with Pioneer Energy, the County of Glenn, and the City of Orland to help determine whether the City of Willows should become a member of Pioneer Energy Community Choice Aggregator (CCA).

**Moved/Seconded:** Vice Mayor Hutson and Councilmember Pride

**Yes:** Mayor Hansen, Vice Mayor Hutson, and Councilmember Pride

**No:** None

**Absent:** Councilmembers Thomas and Busby

## 7. COMMENTS & REPORTS

- a. Council Correspondence
- b. City Council Comments & Reports
- c. City Manager's Report

## 8. ADJOURNMENT - 6:49 PM

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Tara Rustenhoven, Deputy City Clerk