



SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, August 20, 2025

Regular Meeting - 6:00 PM

City Hall – City Council Chambers

425 Webster Street, Colusa, CA 95932

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER- Mayor Codorniz called the special meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

ROLL CALL – Council Members Ponciano, Vaca, Markss, Conrado and Mayor Codorniz were present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

1. Appeal of the Planning Director's approval of a Minor Use Permit to authorize an animal processing facility (Colusa Meat) at 7295 Industrial Way (Portion of APN 017-030-115).

Public Hearing opened at 6:07 pm: Citizen Mark Tomey addressed the importance of compliance and some of the citizens' concerns. He stated he wanted to be certain citizens are protected and that the business is held accountable.

Ed Hulbert, Colusa Industrial Properties (CIP) spoke about the project and his working relationship with Brent Nobles for the past four years. He stated there are maps of the facility's location. He addressed the bullet points in Mr. Tomey's appeal.

Gordon Wiley stated there was an open location in Glenn County. (map handed to City Clerk)

Jennifer Pena-Tann read a letter submitted by her father. She is opposed to the location of the project.

Jerry Maltby from Williams explained the process from his experience and how there wouldn't be an odor.

Dan Sayner from Williams used to work for UC Davis and explained the process from when the animals are brought to the facility.

Devin Kelley asked about details

Janice Bell discussed an Emergency Response Plan to include the livestock.

Mike Bell expressed concerns about the waste and run-off.

Russ Hickel asked about the potential smell when the south wind blows.

Dick Marvel commented on the amount of cancer in Walnut Ranch. He requested that stipulations be in writing.

Sergio discussed his concerns and the safety of everyone.

Maryanne Marvel commented that there wasn't enough information provided to the citizens about this project. She wants to be sure it's regulated.

Ellen requested that the project be slowed down. She recommended an updated Environmental Report.

Tim Kelley asked about the consequences should there be an odor.

Ed Hulbert answered questions and provided clarifications on some of the citizens' comments.

Jake Kley (CIP) explained the process to the Regional Water Control Board. He explained the multiple layers that regulatory agencies could shut down the facility if there were violations of the procedures.

Mark Tomey asked about the distance from Wescott Ranch. He asked if there would be butchering if there was expansion. Planner Morley answered that there would be a public hearing if that were to happen.

Jake Morley, Planner, said there are disclosures on properties within a one-mile radius.

Don Bransford discussed how the odor would be managed to maintain the quality of life.

Todd Stegal said there was no smell at the Orland facility.

Dan Kraft stated not to rely on state inspectors and to take into consideration the citizens.

Brent Nobles explained that the process is done humanely, and everything would be refrigerated. He said they are highly regulated. He has been working at the Orland Meat Processing Center, where the USDA Inspector has been onsite.

Public Hearing closed at 7:48 pm

ACTION: Motion by Council Member Ponciano, seconded by Council Member Vaca to adopt **Resolution 25-56** denying the appeal by Mark Tomey and agreeing with the Planning Director's approval of the Minor Use Permit (Colusa Meat) at 7295 Industrial Way (portion of APN 017-030-115). Motion passed 5-0 by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Ponciano, Vaca, Markss, Conrado and Codorniz.

NOES: None.

ADJOURNED at 7:57 pm

RYAN CODORNIZ, MAYOR

Shelly Kittle, City Clerk