



CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, July 21, 2026

Regular Meeting - 6:00 PM

City Hall – City Council Chambers

425 Webster Street, Colusa, CA 95932

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Conrado called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA –There was council consensus on the approval of the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Connie Adan thanked the City Recreation Department for the city pool.

PRESENTATIONS

10-Year Service Award for David Avera was presented by Mayor Conrado.

Mayor Pro-Tem Markss presented Police Sergeant Hogan with a Life Saving Award and Medal.

CONSENT CALENDAR - *All items listed on the Consent Calendar are considered by the Council to be routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion unless an audience member or Council member requests otherwise, in which case, the item will be removed for separate consideration.*

1. Approve - June 16 Council draft minutes
2. Receive and File - Police Department June report
3. Receive and File - Code Enforcement Department June report
4. Receive and File - Finance Department May and June reports
5. Receive and File - City Treasurer's February report
6. Receive and File - May and June Warrants List
7. Approve -Street Closure on 5th Street from Market Street north to the alleyway on August 1st from 3:00 pm to 2:00 am for the Bartender Challenge event
8. Approve - 2007 Ford Expedition Alternate BLS Transport Unit as surplus property and authorize its donation to the Bear Valley Indian Valley Fire Protection District
9. Adopt - Resolution authorizing delinquent solid waste liens on "Exhibit A" to be placed on the 2026-27 City Property Tax Roll with the County.

ACTION: Mayor Pro-Tem Markss made a motion, seconded by Council Member Codorniz, to approve the consent calendar. Motion passed unanimously.

COUNCIL MEMBER /CITY MANAGER REPORTS AND STAFF COMMENTS

Council Members provided updates on meetings and events they attended.

City Manager Cain provided updates on meetings and projects.

City Attorney Wakefield – no report.

Finance Director Aziz-Khan provided updates in the Finance Department.

City Treasurer Kelley commented on the transition between two software systems.

Police Chief Fitch provided updates in the Police Department.

Fire Chief Conley provided updates in the Fire Department.

City Engineer Swartz provided updates in the Engineer's Department.

City Clerk Kittle provided updates in the City Clerk's Department.

COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

10. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Budget Adoption and Fiscal Outlook

Mayor Conrado presented the report. Council questioned the budget items and requested additional details.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Janice Bell commented if Resolution needed to be adopted as a Public Hearing item. Don Bransford inquired about the projected ending balance for the current fiscal year.

ACTION: None. This item will be brought back.

11. Consideration of the Resolution approving the GANN Limit

ACTION: None. This item will be brought back.

12. Consideration of a Resolution placing a 10-year extension of the City's Transactions and Use Tax ("Local Sales Tax") on the November 3, 2026, Ballot; and consideration to introduce the Ordinance imposing Tax and take certain related actions

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Connie Adan commented that the local sales tax is not just for Colusa citizens; it's for everyone who purchases items in Colusa. Don Bransford said he would be opposed to a 10-year extension.

ACTION: Council Member Ponciano made a motion, seconded by Council Member Codorniz, to amend **Resolution 26-38** to **reflect a 4-year extension** of the City Council of the City of Colusa submitting a Transaction and Use Tax Measure to the voters on November 3, 2026, General Municipal Election and taking certain related actions. Motion passed 5-0 by the following vote:

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

NOES: None.

ACTION: Mayor Pro-Tem Markss made a motion to amend the Ordinance **reflecting a 4-year extension**, seconded by Council Member Vaca, to introduce and waive the first reading of Ordinance No.576: An Ordinance of the City of Colusa, California, amending Article VIII of Chapter 8 of the Municipal Code to impose a transaction and use tax to be administered by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration. Motion passed 5-0 by the following vote:

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

NOES: None.

ACTION: Council Member Codorniz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Vaca, authorizing Mayor Conrado to file an argument for the measure on behalf of the City Council. Motion passed 5-0 by the following vote:

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

NOES: None.

13. Updates to the Brown Act pursuant to SB 707

City Attorney Wakefield provided the report.

ACTION: There was council consensus to ensure compliance with SB 707.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mushroom Plant update

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION at 7:30 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL— City Manager Evaluation

ADJOURNED: At 8:26 pm, Mayor Conrado stated there was no reportable action.