



MINUTES

January 15, 2025

**SPECIAL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL
LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM WORKSHOP
4:30 p.m.
Council Chambers
311 Vernon Street
Roseville, California
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1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Krista Bernasconi called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Vice Mayor Karen Alvord, Councilmember Bruce Houdesheldt, Councilmember Tracy Mendonsa, Councilmember Pauline Roccucci, and Mayor Krista Bernasconi.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Government Relations Administrator Mark Wolinski led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. MEETING PROCEDURES

City Clerk Carmen Avalos announced the procedures for addressing the City Council.

5. PRESENTATIONS

5.1. Workshop

A. Legislative Advocacy Overview

B. Law & Regulation Committee Overview

C. State and Federal Overview - The Ferguson Group & Gonsalves and Son

D. Legislative Platform - Review Changes

E. Council Input

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Deputy City Manager Megan Scheid made the presentation to the City Council.

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A. Legislative Advocacy Overview

Legislative Platform guides advocacy strategy

- Law and Regulation Committee, Government Relations Team

Partnerships power advocacy strategy

- Community (SACOG, Chambers, RCONA Cities)
- Issue-specific (NCPA, CMUA, RWA, MISAC, Cal Chiefs)

Engagement activates strategy

- Monthly meetings with legislative representatives
- Advocacy at state and national capitols
- Lobbyists, testimony, regulators, advocacy letters, tours

B. Legislative Platform Workshop

- Provides deeper understanding of state & federal political environment
- Is an element of Council-approved annual legislative advocacy schedule
- Law and Regulation Committee an invaluable resource to the advocacy effort
- Basis for City's legislative advocacy positions
- Increasing pressures on municipal budgets

C. State and Federal Overview

Government Relations Administrator Mark Wolinski introduced Mike Miller of The Ferguson Group

Mike Miller of The Ferguson Group provided the Federal legislation overview to the City Council.

Federal Overview 2024

- Chevron Doctrine

Key Issues in 2025:

- New Administration and the new Congress
- Appropriation delay and impacts to the FY26 appropriations process
- Overview of how certain cabinet appointments might impact the City.

Government Relations Administrator Mark Wolinski introduced Jason Gonsalves of Gonsalves & Son.

Jason Gonsalves of Gonsalves & Son provided the State legislation overview to the City Council.

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Overview of the 2024 Legislative Session

Key Issues in 2025

- State budget

- New administration in Washington
- Housing, homelessness, public safety

D. Legislative Platform - Review Changes

Government Relations Administrator Mark Wolinski made the presentation to the City Council.

Proposed Modifications/Critical Concerns

Citywide Legislative Principles

- Advocacy on sales tax, state bond legislation or state ballot measures

Administrative Services

- Support legislation and measures that provide and promote consistency and the promotion of harmonious labor relations

Parks, Recreation, & Libraries Platform/Item

- Support legislation to reinstate state funding for the Building Forward Facilities Improvement Program
- Support legislation that funds increased access and American Disabilities Act improvements to parks and facilities

Public Safety

- Support legislations that invests in first responder health and wellness programs, with a focus on advancing cancer prevention, research, and early detection initiatives

Housing and Community Investment Platform

- Support legislation and appropriations that fully fund assistance for affordable housing, prevention

Critical Concerns for the Upcoming Legislative/Congressional Sessions

- National Flood Insurance Program updates and Community Rating System program changes

Government Relations Administrator Mark Wolinski introduced Utility Government Relations Administrator Noelle Mattock

Environmental Utilities Platform (Modifications)

- Updated section titles to more accurately reflect the City's desired outcomes
- Rearranged goals to more appropriate sections

Environmental Utilities Platform (New Language)

- Advancing Stormwater Management and Green Infrastructure #7 "Actively track, comment and advocate requirements from the state Water Board and Regional Water Boards."
- Advancing Biosolids, Recycled Water and Energy for a Sustainable Future #4 "...allow developers of biogas and electricity to benefit from federal and state funding like e-RINS (Electric Renewables Identification Numbers) so we can use our microturbines to power e-trucks and receive the e-RINS credits."

Critical Concerns

- Implementing the Making Conservation a California Way of Life regulation
- Appropriate Regulatory Offramps
- Municipal Water Systems Performance in Wildfires - Proposed language hand out

Utility Government Administrator Noelle Mattock introduced Utility Government

Critical Concerns for Upcoming Legislative/Congressional Session (New Language):

- RPS Cost Containment - Ability to utilize cost containment measures under RPS program
- State Mandates - Support Flexibility in meeting state's energy goals
- Light up Navajo - Bring visibility through advocacy/support
- State Agency Collaboration - Foster continued engagement, pursue new opportunities
- UEC Outreach - Showcase unique value of UEC, seek regulatory benefit
- Regional Energy Market - Participate in 2025 regional energy market legislation

Critical Concerns for Upcoming Legislative/Congressional Session(Modifications):

- Grid Reliability Related Programs - Deleted to reflect completed task, acceptance in DEBA
- Supply Chain Disruptions - Modified to reflect updated supply chain efforts

Government Relations Administrator Mark Wolinski continued the presentation.

Conclusion

- Closely monitor changes in the legislative and congressional agenda and administration objectives at the state and federal level
- Continue to strengthen the relationship with state and federal elected officials, departments and agencies
- Continue to develop effective advocacy strategies with City's lobbyist, regional and coalition partners

E. Council Input

No public comment received.

Council received the presentation and did not provide any direction.

5.2. Retirement Resolution - Mark Wolinski

Commend Mark Wolinski for his 25 years of outstanding service and dedication to the City of Roseville and the Public Affairs and Communications Department, congratulate him for his accomplishments and wish him a long, healthy, and enjoyable retirement.

CONTACT: Megan Scheid mscheid@roseville.ca.us 916-774-5362

The City Council made the presentation to Mark Wolinski, who responded.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Senator Roger Niello's Office presented Mark Wolinski a Resolution.

U.S. Representative Kevin Kiley's Office presented Mark Wolinski a Resolution.

Congressman Doug LaMalfa's Office presented Mark Wolinski a certificate.

Christina Fereira congratulated Mark Wolinski on his retirement.

Roseville Area Chamber of Commerce Chief Executive Officer Rana Ghadban congratulated Mark Wolinski on retirement.

Supervisor Bonnie Gore's Chief of Staff, Landon Wolfe, congratulated Mark Wolinski on his retirement.

Jason Gonsalves congratulated Mark Wolinski on his retirement.

Paul Gonsalves congratulated Mark Wolinski on his retirement.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Krista Bernasconi adjourned the meeting at 5:53 p.m.