

Thermalito Annexation Meeting, Public Forum and Discussion

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City of Oroville

Department of Community Development and Public Works

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Why Such a Meeting

Reason 1

The Thermalito Area is a major adjacent urban area still unincorporated, and State law supports efficient and orderly development.

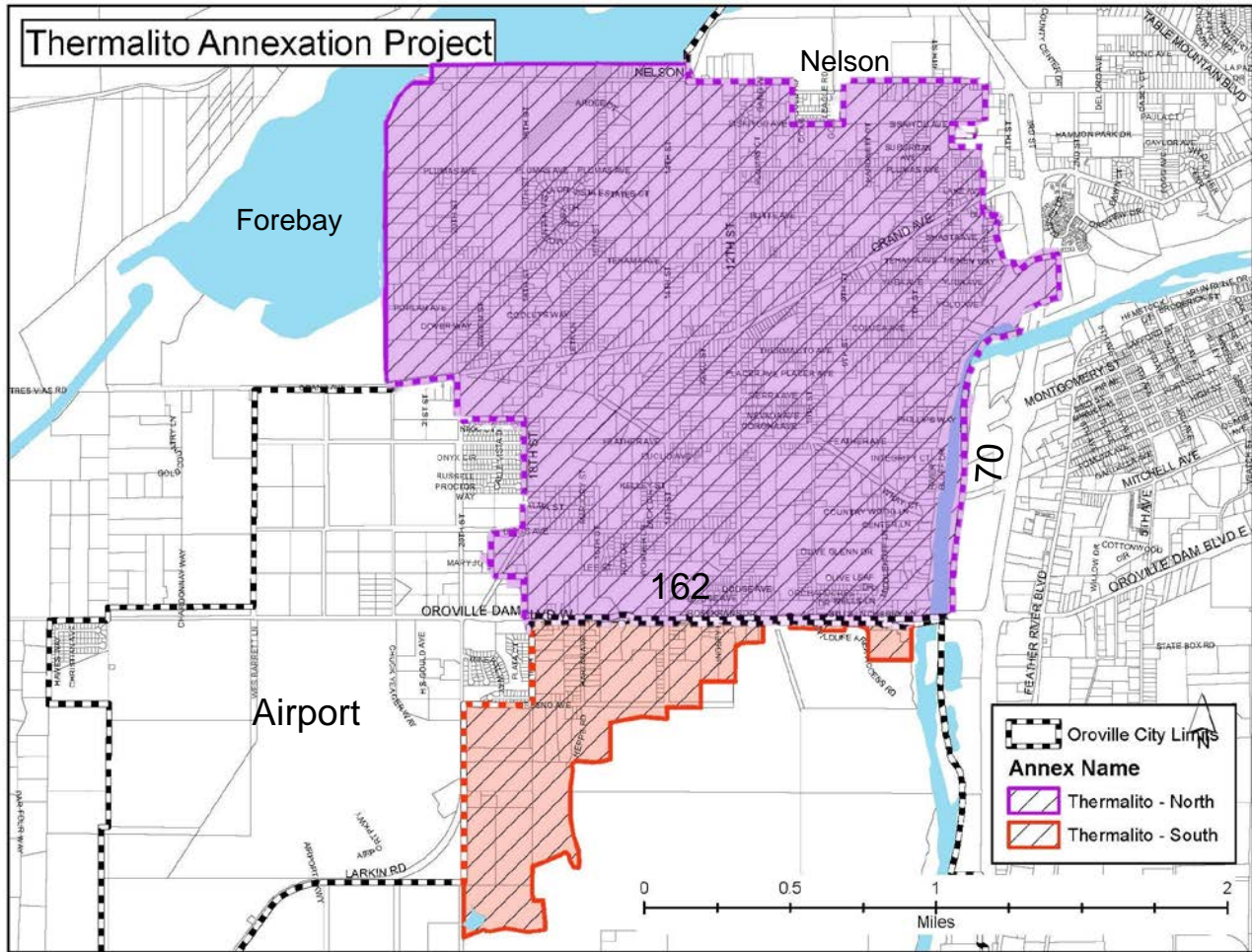
Reason 2

During the City's last General Plan update in 2009, many citizens expressed interest of being annexed into the City Limits. The area is in our Sphere of Influence for future annexation.

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Proposed Annex Area

Thermalito Annexation Project



Forebay

Nelson

162

70

Airport

Oroville City Limits

Annex Name

- Thermalito - North
- Thermalito - South



Thermalito Demographics

- ⦿ ~ 6,700 residents
- ⦿ ~ 2,250 households
- ⦿ Home ownership = 63.4%
- ⦿ ~ 3% of county's population



Advantages of Annexation



Many Issues to Consider

- Local Government
- Taxes
- Fire Services
- Police Service
- Building Permits
- Planning
- Public Works
- Code Enforcement
- Financial Tools
- Animal Regulations



A Bigger Voice, Improved Services

- A bigger voice – Annexation would mean 2 new districts with 2 City Council members -- much more say in City Governance, including
 - Police and Fire Ratios and Response.
 - Code enforcement
 - Public Works Projects.
 - Community Service Programs



Voting and Seeking Office

When becoming part of the City, you will have a vote in elections, and could even be elected to Office or appointed to Advise:

- City Council (7) – Elected
- Citizens Oversight Committee (9)
- Planning Commission (7)
- Historic Advisory Commission (7)
- Parks Commission (5)
- Arts Commission (5)
- Housing Loan Advisory (2)



Police Services

The Oroville Police Department strives for excellence in the provisions of service to the community.

OPD's operations division consists of Patrol, Problem-Oriented Policing (POP) Team, a School Resource Officer (SRO), Municipal Law Enforcement (MLE), and a K-9 Unit

City

29 Police Positions

9 MLE Officers

17.1

19,895

Sq. Miles

Population

County

74 Deputies

1,677

219,186



Fire Department

- The Oroville Fire Department has a 24Hr/Day emergency service.
- 22 full time personnel.
- Effective Weed abatement program.
- New Fire Station proposed at Airport
- The City has an automatic aid agreement with CAL FIRE.





Code Enforcement

- The City has codes to address:
 - Accumulation of unsightly debris;
 - Abandoned and inoperable vehicles;
 - Blighted Properties;
 - Vagrancy and illegal camping;
 - Inspection of new construction & remodels; and
 - Coordination of special community cleanup projects



Public Works



- The City Public Works Department has an active street repair & maintenance program, which includes periodic asphalt overlays.
- 6/100 miles to cover vs. 6/1,600 miles by the County



Housing Department

- The City has established programs and activities designed to provide decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing to citizens.
- First Time Homebuyer Program available to qualified households.
- Low interest Housing Rehabilitation Loans to qualified homeowners.





Building and Development Fees

| | City | County |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Pre-Application | \$244.25 | \$548 |
| Home Occupation | \$128.29 - \$256.19 | \$406.60 |
| Administrative Permit | \$620.93 | \$194.74 - \$636.60 (Dependent on Activity) |
| Use Permit | \$3,063.38 (Deposit) | \$2,021.17 - \$12,387.26 (Dependent on Type) |
| Parcel Map | \$3,710.36 (Deposit) | \$8,024.96 |
| Subdivision Map | \$4,283.52 (Deposit) | \$9,862.47 (Retainer) |



Frequently Asked Questions



Will I have to construct curbs, gutters and sidewalks?

- The City does NOT require owners to make these improvements at the time of annexation.
- ~~If you make improvements valued at \$52,000 or more, then you may be required to make the improvements~~
- The actual construction may be deferred in certain circumstances.

Taxes

- You will have the same property tax that you have been paying with the county.
- The City does have a 5% utility tax on your PG&E, water, sewer and cable bill.
- You will no longer have to pay a County tax for animal control service (CSA 164, \$5/year).

Will My Utilities Change?

- The City does not intend to change sewer, water or any service now provided by a special district.



FAQ's

Can I still grow Cannabis?

- The City allows the 6 plants to be grown indoors, but does not allow outdoor cultivation at all.
- The County allows outdoor cultivation of the 6 plants on parcels over 5 acres.

Will I have to Connect to TWSD?

- Yes:
 - When Your septic system fails, and
 - You are within 200 feet of an existing sewer main



Can I keep Livestock?

| Animal | Animals Allowed | |
|---|--|-------------------------|
| | One Dwelling Unit | Multiple Dwelling Units |
| Poultry over 12 weeks old | 6 total | 6 total |
| Rabbits | 6 total | 6 total |
| Pot-bellied pigs | 1 total <150# | 1 per dwelling unit |
| Horses, cows, swine and other large livestock | 1 per 20,000 sq ft (~0.5 acres) in Rural residential Zones, maximum of 6 unless larger than 5 acres. | |
| Honeybees | 1 hive per 20,000 sq ft (~0.5 acres) maximum of 2 hives | |
| Goats, sheep, or other small livestock | 1 per 8,000 sq ft (~0.18 acres) | |



Thank You

for your interest and for being a part of the City of Oroville's community outreach process!

Comments and Questions

Contact us:

- By phone: (530) 538-2408
- By email: wervin@cityoforoville.org
- At City Hall, 1735 Montgomery St, during regular business hours from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. (Fri 8-12)

