



# Visalia City Council

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### Meeting Agenda - Final

Visalia City Council  
707 W. Acequia  
Visalia, CA 93291

Mayor Brett Taylor  
Vice Mayor Liz Wynn  
Council Member Steve Nelsen  
Council Member Emmanuel Hernandez Soto  
Council Member Brian Poochigian

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**Tuesday, January 20, 2026**

**7:00 PM**

**City Council Chambers**

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#### **ROLL CALL**

#### **CALL TO ORDER WORK SESSION - 4:00 PM (Unless otherwise noted)**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Citizens are now invited to comment on issues within the jurisdiction of the Visalia City Council and items listed on the Closed Session agenda. The Council asks that you keep your comments concise and positive. Creative criticism, presented with appropriate courtesy, is welcome. Each speaker will be allowed three minutes, and a timer will notify you when your time is expired. Please begin your comments by stating and spelling your name and providing your city of residence.

#### **WORK SESSION AND ACTION ITEMS (as described)**

1. **Receive the City of Visalia Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR)** -Receive a presentation on the report and accept it for the 2024-25 fiscal year. [25-0590](#)
2. **Annual Measure T independent accountants' report** - Review and accept the annual report on applying agreed-upon procedures for fiscal year ending 6/30/25. [25-0591](#)
3. **Annual Measure N independent accountants' report** - Review and accept the annual report on applying agreed-upon procedures for fiscal year ending 6/30/25. [25-0592](#)
4. **Neighborhood park development** - Recommendation and approval for the conceptual designs of two new neighborhood parks at the Elliott Property (west side of Roben Street south of Tulare Ave) and the Pearl Wood Property (one-quarter mile southeast of McAuliff Street and Cherry Avenue). [25-0607](#)

5. **Aquatic facility presentation** - Parks and Recreation Department management with consultants from Aquatics Design Group will deliver a presentation on aquatic facilities with a competitive pool and recreation amenities and receive direction from Council. [25-0609](#)

**ADJOURN WORK SESSION - 6:00 PM (Or, immediately following Work Session)**

**CALL TO ORDER REGULAR SESSION - 7:00 PM**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**INVOCATION LED BY PASTOR CHRIS ARCHER, NAZARENE CHURCH**

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION / RECOGNITION**

Certificate of Recognition - Eagle Scout, Scout Troop 1920

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

This is the time for general public comment on issues within the jurisdiction of the Visalia City Council. Each speaker tonight may speak for up to 3 minutes during this general comment period on a matter that is not on this agenda.

The public may also make one comment for up to 3 minutes prior to the consideration of the Consent Calendar, and immediately before any regular agenda item is heard. The Council asks that you keep your comments concise and positive. Creative criticism, presented with appropriate courtesy, is welcome.

Each speaker will be allowed three minutes and a timer will notify you when your time is expired. Please begin your comments by stating and spelling your name and providing your city of residence.

**ITEMS OF INTEREST**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Consent Calendar items are considered routine and will be enacted in one motion.

This is the time for members of the public to provide public comment on an item on the Consent Calendar. Comments will not be taken individually by the public if an item is pulled by a Council Member. Each speaker is allowed up to 3 minutes, and a timer will notify you when your time is expired. Please begin your comments by stating and spelling your name and providing your city of residence.

1. **Authorization to read ordinances by title only.** [25-0588](#)

2. **Authorization to Accept COPS Grant Expenditures** - Authorize and accept recommended expenditures for training, equipment, salary, and benefits for 1.5 police officer positions through the State of California fiscal year 2025/26 Citizens Option for Public Safety (COPS) Program funds of \$224,616 and \$223,197 for fiscal year 2024-25 COPS Growth funds for a total grant of \$447,813 and appropriate \$67,500 in the 631 grant fund. [25-0468](#)
3. **Youth Non-Profit Grant Awards** - Review and approval of the Citizens Advisory Committee recommendations for the 2026 Youth Non-Profit Grant Awards. [25-0519](#)
4. **Fire Department grant application confirmation** - Confirm authorization for staff to apply for the fiscal year 2026 State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) for the replacement purchase of standardized rescue personal protective equipment and life-safety rescue rope, in the amount of \$18,225; authorize staff to accept the grant and appropriate funds if awarded. [25-0605](#)
5. **General Plan annual progress report** - Receive and accept the City of Visalia's General Plan annual progress report for 2025 and authorize staff to submit to the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation. [25-0604](#)
6. **General Plan reserve area appropriation and contract award** - Appropriate an additional \$25,000 from the General Fund and authorize the City Manager to award the contract for professional services for preparation of reserve area land use designations, specific plan for potential industrial land uses and program environmental impact report to QK, Inc. for a total amount not to exceed \$491,517. [25-0521](#)
7. **Designate a portion of City owned property into public right of way** - Adopt Resolution 2026-01, designating a portion of City owned property located at the southwest corner of Roeben Street and Howard Avenue into the public right of way system. [25-0622](#)
8. **Award contract for short range transit plan update**- Authorize the City Manager to award a contract for the short range transit plan update to Jarret Walker and Associates and allocate \$205,000 to the capital improvements project budget of which \$136,000 will be paid by Tulare County Association of Governments on a reimbursement basis and \$69,000 from local transit funding. [25-0458](#)

9. **Award on-call construction management and resident engineering services contract** - Authorize the City Manager to execute a one-year contract, with the option to renew for an additional four one-year periods, with four construction management and resident engineer consultants consisting of 4 Creeks, Inc., A & M Consulting Engineers, CCME, Inc., and NV5, Inc.; and place these firms on an on-call list to provide construction management and resident engineer services and related services in support of the city's capital improvement projects. The annual contract for each consultant shall not exceed \$500,000 without additional authorization from the City Council. [25-0557](#)
10. **Award contract and transfer funds for Tulare Avenue Project** - Authorize the City Manager to award the construction contract to Don Berry Construction Inc. for the Tulare Avenue major road rehabilitation from Roeben to Demaree project in the amount of \$4,473,867; authorize the transfer of \$1,495,000 within the road maintenance and rehabilitation account (Senate Bill 1) fund between projects and authorize the transfer of \$25,000 from the annual replace and relocate sanitary sewer mains project (CP9456). [25-0577](#)
11. **Award annual contract for engineered wood fiber to various city playground sites** - Authorize the City Manager to award contract to Air Applied Mulch, of Wilton, CA, for an annual amount not to exceed amount of \$45,000. [25-0583](#)
12. **Award construction management services-** Authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with 4 Creeks, Inc. to provide construction management services for the Tulare Avenue Major Street Rehabilitation from Roeben to Demaree in the amount of \$275,000. [25-0585](#)
13. **Award construction material testing services** - Authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Krazan & Associates to provide geotechnical material testing services for the Tulare Avenue Major Street Rehabilitation from Roeben to Demaree in the amount of \$75,000. [25-0586](#)
14. **Conditional award for Cameron Creek linear recharge project** - Conditionally authorize the City Manager to award the construction contract to Katch Environmental, Inc for the Cameron Creek linear recharge project in the amount of \$2,201,753.32; approve change order number one for scope change in the reduction amount of (\$32,913); and appropriate \$845,125 from the General Fund 001 to be reimbursed as described in this report. [25-0453](#)

15. **Award annual contract for backflow testing, repairs, and maintenance services at various city owned locations -** [25-0611](#)  
Authorize the City Manager to award contract to AAA Backflow Prevention for an annual amount not to exceed amount of \$49,842.50.
16. **Award engineering design services -** Authorize the City Manager to award and enter into a contract with Brandley Engineering for the engineering design project for the design phase of the Taxilane "A" and "B" and Hangar H3 Row 10 reconstruction project at Visalia Municipal Airport. [25-0625](#)
17. **Notice of completion -** Request authorization to file the notice of completion for the Valley Strong Ballpark Outfield Fence & Batter's Eye Replacement Project. [25-0603](#)
18. **Park project notice of completion -** Request authorization to file a partial notice of completion for the booster pump installation project at various parks. [25-0610](#)
19. **Park project notice of completion -** Request authorization to file a notice of completion for the Stonebrook Park shade structure design and installation services project. [25-0612](#)
20. **Park project notice of completion -** Request authorization to file a notice of completion for the Sunset Park shade structure design and installation services project. [25-0613](#)
21. **Park project notice of completion -** Request authorization to file a notice of completion for the Village Park shade structure design and installation services project. [25-0614](#)
22. **Park project notice of completion -** Request authorization to file a notice of completion for the Whitendale Park shade structure design and installation services project. [25-0616](#)
23. **Side letter agreement with employee group -** Adopt a side letter agreement approving the proposed changes to the Confidential Group Compensation and Benefit Summary and authorize the City Manager to execute same. [25-0621](#)
24. **Fiscal Year 2026-27 federal congressional community project funding requests -** Approve the submittal of federal congressional community project funding requests for the upcoming 2026-27 fiscal year. [25-0627](#)

## REGULAR ITEMS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

Comments related to regular Items and Public Hearing Items are limited to three minutes per speaker, for a maximum of 30 minutes per item. The Mayor may reasonably limit or extend the public comment period to preserve the Council's interest in conducting efficient, orderly meetings.

1. **Public Hearing and Ordinance Adoption** - Public Hearing, second reading and final adoption of Ordinance No. 2025-16 for the 2025 CA Building Code.

[25-0606](#)

## **CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

## **UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS**

1. Upcoming City Council Meetings

[25-0589](#)

Monday, February 2, 2026 @ 7:00 p.m. at 707 W. Acequia

Tuesday, February 17, 2026 @ 7:00 p.m. at 707 W. Acequia

Note: Meeting dates and times are subject to change, check posted agenda for correct details. In compliance with the American Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in meetings contact 713-4512.

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