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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

Monday, June 16, 2025

7:00 PM

City Council Chambers

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. **New Employee Introductions: Police Department** [25-0245](#)
Shyra Hicks, Parking Enforcement Officer
Tanya Littlejohn, Communications Operator
2. **Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Mid-Cycle Financial Report** - Receive the [25-0242](#)
Fiscal Year 2025/2026 mid-cycle financial report, appropriate funds
for capital projects, and discuss possible revisions to the surplus
policy.
3. **Update on Recreational Projects and Options for Additional** [25-0244](#)
Projects - Presentation on recent recreational projects completed
and in progress, and options for new park amenities or other
short-term projects for Council consideration and appropriate the
funding needed to complete the selected projects.
4. **Review of the City of Visalia Oak Tree Ordinance** - Presentation [25-0210](#)
on potential modifications regarding the City's Valley Oak Tree
Ordinance and request for direction moving forward.

5. **Reconsideration of the Special Event Ordinance** - Direction from City Council on whether the Council wants to further reconsider the Special Event Ordinance per the vote on November 18, 2024.

[25-0259](#)

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION - 6:00 PM (Or, immediately following Work Session)

CALL TO ORDER REGULAR SESSION - 7:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION LED BY DR. RICHARD DUNN, SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

SPECIAL PRESENTATION / RECOGNITION

State Lions Student Speaker Isabella Flores

Proclamation recognizing The Source and Pride Month

Public Relations Society of America Central California Chapter 2025 Image Awards

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.**

[25-0092](#)

2. **Agreement for College of the Sequoias Student Transit Pass Program** - Authorize the City Manager to sign the renewal Agreement between the City of Visalia and the Tulare County Association of Governments to participate in the COS Student Transit Pass Program for the Spring 2025 through Fall 2034 semesters. [25-0146](#)
3. **Adopt Resolution and Designate 2025/2026 SB1 Road Maintenance Funding:** Adopt Resolution No. 2025-41 to designate Fiscal Year 2025/26 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account funding of \$3,900,000 from the State of California Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 to the Tulare Ave Road Rehabilitation Projects from Roeben to Cotta, and the transfer and appropriation of SB 1 RMRA funds. (Resolution required) [25-0198](#)
4. **Affirm Submittal of Basin Grant & Appropriate Funds** - Affirm the submission to the Environmental Protection Agency for grant funding in the amount of \$959,752 for the Groundwater Recharge Basin F project; and upon award appropriate grant funds and \$240,000 of local matching funds from the Groundwater Recharge Fund (224). [25-0199](#)
5. **Authorization to award a service contract to West Coast Tow** - Authorize the City Manager to award a service contract not to exceed \$150,000 annually to Lewis Holdings, Inc DBA West Coast Tow of Visalia for light duty evidence towing and evidence storage for both light and heavy-duty vehicles for a five-year term that is renewable thereafter annually for up to five consecutive one-year periods and appropriate \$100,000 for Fiscal Year 2025/2026. [25-0200](#)
6. **Developer Reimbursement Agreement** - Authorize the City Manager to execute a development reimbursement agreement with TMT for arterial roadway improvements constructed with the Visalia Oaks Marketplace development located at the southeast corner of Visalia Parkway and Mooney Boulevard and authorize additional appropriation of \$1.2 million from the Transportation Impact Fee Fund for Fiscal Year 2025/2026. [25-0204](#)
7. **Salary Schedule** - Adopt the revised salary schedule for full-time employees, City Manager, and City Council members of the City of Visalia. [25-0206](#)
8. **Record Final Subdivision Map** - Authorization Staff to record the final map for Higgins Ranch Phase 2 subdivision, located on the southeast corner of South Lovers Lane and East Cherry Avenue, (74 Lots); and annex Higgins Ranch - Phase 2 into the Landscape and Lighting District No. 24-01 "Higgins Ranch" (Resolution Nos. 2025-38 and 2025-39 required). [25-0208](#)

9. **Approval of Change Orders and Notice of Completion for Downtown Projects** - Approval of contract change orders for the Downtown Streetlight Project in the amount of \$516,004.10 and authorization for the City Manager to file a Notice of Completion for the Downtown Streetlight and Pavement Rehabilitation projects. [25-0213](#)
10. **Carollo Engineers Contract Amendment & Fund Appropriation** - Authorize a contract amendment with Carollo Engineers in the amount of \$115,700 for additional storm master plan services and appropriate funds from the Storm Sewer Deficiency Fund. [25-0220](#)
11. **Authorization to apply for the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program** - Authorization to submit a multijurisdictional application in partnership with the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) to the USDOT SS4A Grant Program for a Planning and Demonstration Grant in the development of a Regional Services Center Multimodal Action Plan for the Downtown area in an estimated amount of \$1 million (Resolution No.2025-47 required). [25-0222](#)
12. **Authorization to apply for the Federal Transit Administration Low or No Emission Grant Program and the Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Program** - Authorization to submit an application in partnership with the National Park Service to the FTA Low or No Emission Grant Program for ten (10) battery-electric buses and twenty-four (24) Level 3 electric chargers for an estimated amount of \$15 million (Resolution No. 2025-45 required), and an application to the FTA Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Program for the development of a parking structure on Transit property near the Transit Center for an estimated amount of \$15 million (Resolution No. 2025-46 required). [25-0223](#)
13. **Authorize Investment Authority** - Approve Resolution Number 2025-44 adopting the City of Visalia's annually updated Investment Policy and delegate authority to invest funds for the City to the Finance Director/Treasurer for fiscal year 2025-26. [25-0226](#)
14. **Amend Landscape & Lighting District** - Request authorization to amend Landscape and Lighting Assessment District No. 23-01 "Shepherds Ranch" and order the improvements and levy the annual assessments for Landscape and Lighting Assessment District No. 23-01. Shepherds Ranch subdivision is located on the west side of Shirk Street between Pershing Court and West Hurley Avenue (Resolution Nos. 2025-42 and 2025-43 required). APN: 081-030-046. [25-0227](#)

15. **Website and Services Contract** - Authorize the City Manager to enter into a (5) year service and software license agreement with CivicPlus for web services, including a new website, 311 resident service request system, public records request management system, social media monitoring and archiving, and accessibility monitoring, attaching to a General Services Administration contract for a total of \$570,000. [25-0228](#)
16. **Cybersecurity Software and Services Renewal** - Authorize the City Manager to enter into a (3) year service and software license agreement with ePlus Technology, Inc., a Carahsoft Technology Corporation reseller, to purchase CrowdStrike next-generation antivirus and cyber security protection services under the terms of Carahsoft's existing Agreement with the State of Utah via California Participating Addendum for an amount not to exceed \$360,000. [25-0231](#)
17. **Approve Agreement with County Radio Shop** - Authorization to renew and approve a 5-year Memorandum of Understanding for City Wide radio installation, maintenance, and programming services with Tulare County Information & Communications Technology, the County's Radio Shop, for an estimated \$225,000 over a 5-year period. [25-0237](#)
18. **Citizens Advisory Committee Reappointments** - Approve the Citizens Advisory Committee's recommendation to reappoint Alana Johnson, Glen Stewart, Rebecca Donabed, Jim Reeves, Julie Appelbaum, Miguel Salgado, and Lacey Todd to continue their voting positions on the Citizens Advisory Committee. [25-0243](#)
19. **Parks and Recreation Commission Reappointments** - Consider the reappointment of Janelle Hickey and Samantha Wagner to second and third terms on the Parks and Recreation Commission. [25-0246](#)
20. **Historic Preservation Advisory Committee Reappointments** - Reappoint Kim Lusk to a first two-year term, reappoint Karen Ayala to a second two-year term, and reappoint Jay Hohlbauch to a third two-year term, on the Historic Preservation Advisory Committee. [25-0255](#)
21. **Planning Commission Reappointments** - Recommendation to reappoint Bill Davis and Chris Tavarez to serve on the Planning Commission and to authorize Staff to begin a recruitment due to a pending resignation. [25-0258](#)

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. **Contested Special Assessments** - Authorization to allow the City of Visalia to place items contested during the June 2, 2025, public hearing on the Miscellaneous Special Assessments on the Tulare County secured property tax roll. [25-0238](#)
2. **Fiscal Year 2025-26 Rates and Fees** - Public Hearing and Adoption of Resolution 2025-08 to authorize proposed new fees, increases, and adjustments to the City's Rates and Fees Schedule for Fiscal Year 2025-26. [24-0590](#)
3. **Visalia Central Core Sidewalk Survey Presentation** - Receive a staff presentation outlining the results of the Visalia Central Core Sidewalk Survey completed by Precision Concrete Cutting. [25-0225](#)
4. **Ordinance Adoption** - Public hearing and first reading of Ordinance No. 2024-16 to adopt Zoning Text Amendment No. 2025-01: A request by the City of Visalia to amend text within the Visalia Municipal Code Title 17 (Zoning Ordinance) to clarify and facilitate City Council adoption of Single-Family Residential Objective Design Standards and Planned Residential Development standards applicable to new single-family residential developments by Resolution rather than by Ordinance. [25-0230](#)
5. **Authorization to Amend the Measure N Spending Plan and Axon Contract** - Conduct the second of two Public Hearings to amend the Measure N Spending Plan for an amendment to the current contract with Axon Enterprise, in the amount of \$431,350.65, and appropriate \$138,121 for Fiscal Year 2025/2026. [25-0203](#)

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

ADJOURNMENT

UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

1. Upcoming City Council Meetings**[25-0196](#)**

Monday, June 16, 2025 @ 7:00 p.m. at 707 W. Acequia

Monday, July 21, 2025 @ 7:00 p.m. at 707 W. Acequia

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