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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, November 3, 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. **Recognition of City of Visalia Innovators by Design Award** [25-0483](#)
2. **Presentation of the 2025 Public Opinion Survey Results** [25-0480](#)
3. **Sanitary Sewer Master Plan Update** - Receive a presentation on the Sanitary Sewer System Master Plan. [25-0456](#)
4. **Engineering Division Presentation** - Staff to provide an overview and update of the Engineering Design Division including a summary of current operations, key programs, recent project statistics, and an update on major Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects. [25-0474](#)
5. **Fiscal Year 2026/2027 & 2027/2028 Strategic Budget Goals** - Review the biannual budget process for FY 26/27 & 27/28 and establish the biannual budgetary strategic goals. [25-0489](#)

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

CALL TO ORDER REGULAR SESSION - 7:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**INVOCATION****SPECIAL PRESENTATION / RECOGNITION****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.

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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.** [25-0425](#)
2. **Animal Services Department Grant Authorization** - Authorize staff to apply for the American Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals grant for up to \$95,000 to reduce and waive return to home fees for pets in the shelter along with reduce pet adoption fees and appropriate if awarded. [25-0491](#)
3. **Contract Award for Active Transportation Plan Update** - Authorize the City Manager to award the contract to update Visalia's Active Transportation Plan to TDG Engineering, Inc affiliate of Toole Design, in the amount of \$297,760.00; authorize the appropriation of \$100,000 of additional Local Measure R funds (131) funds; authorize an appropriation of \$200,000 from Fund 281 for funds to be reimbursed by the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG). [25-0422](#)

4. **Appropriation of Awarded Grant Funds and Measure R Funds -** [25-0452](#)
Accept and authorize the appropriation of funds awarded from the Active Transportation Program of \$51,468,000, the appropriation of local matching funds of \$221,000 from the Measure R Local Fund (131) and \$5,059,370 of additional funds from the Measure R Trailways Fund (132), and authorize the amendment to the Measure R Supplemental Agreements for the three Active Transportation Program projects: Goshen-Visalia Corridor Connection, Beyond Bike Lanes, and Highland Community Connectivity.

5. **Award Design Contract -** Authorize the City Manager to award a design contract to Lane Engineers, Inc. for the Conyer Street Rehabilitation from Walnut Ave. to Main St. Project in the amount of \$449,400, and authorize the additional appropriation of funds in the amount of \$276,000 from the Measure R Local Fund (131). [25-0467](#)

6. **Appropriation of Homekey Round 3.0 Program Income -** [25-0477](#)
Authorize appropriation of \$202,400 of Homekey Round 3.0 program income funds, in the 2025-2026 fiscal year capital budget for the Majestic Gardens project.

7. **Ordinance Adoption -** Second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 2025-13 pertaining to the approval of Zoning Text Amendment No. 2025-03: A request by the City of Visalia to amend Visalia Municipal Code Title 17 (Zoning Ordinance), as to implement Program 5.8 contained in the City of Visalia 6th Cycle Housing Element of the General Plan. The regulations will apply Citywide to properties within the city limits of the City of Visalia. Environmental Status: The project is Categorically Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Code of Regulations Section 15061(b)(3). [25-0481](#)

8. **Award Contract for Insurance Broker Services -** Authorize the City Manager to award a contract to Alliant Insurance Services, Inc. for insurance broker services, at a cost not to exceed \$6,110,200 over a five-year period. [25-0484](#)

9. **Notice of Completion -** Request authorization to file a notice of completion for the Victory Oaks Phase 2 subdivision located on the north side of Ferguson Avenue approximately 800 feet west of Demaree Street; containing 44 residential lots. [25-0490](#)

10. **Fire Department Grant Authorization -** Authorize staff to apply for the 2025 Cal Water Firefighter Grant Program to purchase four Battery Powered Positive Pressure Ventilation fans and an extra battery for \$28,366.24, accept the grant, and appropriate \$28,366.24 from the General Fund if the grant is awarded. [25-0492](#)

11. Authorize an Amendment and Extension to Airport Lease	25-0276
<p>Agreement and Ordinance Adoption - An Introduction and first reading of Ordinance No. 2025-08 authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment and extension to the Airport Lease Agreement between the City of Visalia and Aircraft Mechanical Services, Inc. for its location at the Visalia Municipal Airport.</p>	
12. Request by Vice Mayor Liz Wynn - Consideration of a future agenda item to redesign a portion of the bike lane configurations being implemented with the Tulare Avenue Major Street Rehabilitation.	25-0506
13. Request by Council Member Emmanuel Hernandez Soto -	25-0511
<p>Consideration of a future agenda item to consider a City donation to a food based non-profit in Visalia in light of the impact to Visalia families previously receiving SNAP benefits that are being affected by the Federal shutdown.</p>	

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 adoption of Resolution No. 2025-74	25-0044
<p>Authorizing Fee Adjustment for Senior Meal Program - Conduct a Public Hearing to authorize the proposed fee adjustment for the Senior Lunch Program price on a multi-tiered pricing structure for Visalia Seniors and Non Visalia Seniors for dine-in and to-go meals and appropriate \$17,000 from the General Fund.</p>	
2. City's Participation as the Project Lead and Primary Operator of the Regional Express Transit Service Project	24-0492
<p>of the Regional Express Transit Service Project - Consider approval for the City to participate and serve as the project lead and primary services operator of the Regional Express Transit Service Project funded by the Tulare County Association of Governments, to include express transit service between Tulare and Kings Counties and the cities of Visalia and Tulare.</p>	

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

ADJOURNMENT

UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

1. Upcoming City Council Meetings**25-0431**

Monday, November 17, 2025 @ 7:00 p.m. at 707 W. Acequia

Tuesday, December 2, 2025 @ 7:00 p.m. at 707 W. Acequia

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