



City of Fresno

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Meeting Minutes City Council

Council President - Nelson Esparza

Vice President - Tyler Maxwell

Councilmembers:

Annalisa Perea, Mike Karbassi, Miguel Angel Arias,

Brandon Vang,

Nick Richardson

City Manager - Georgeanne A. White

City Attorney - Andrew Janz

City Clerk - Amy K. Aller

Thursday, June 18, 2026

9:00 AM

Council Chambers

Regular Meeting

The City Council met in regular session in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on the date and time above written.

9:11 A.M. ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Council President Nelson Esparza
Vice President Tyler Maxwell
Councilmember Annalisa Perea
Councilmember Mike Karbassi
Councilmember Miguel Angel Arias
Councilmember Brandon Vang
Councilmember Nick Richardson

Invocation by Pastor B.T. Lewis II Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church

Pastor B.T. Lewis II gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Councilmember Vang led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE AGENDA

THE AGENDA WAS APPROVED WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES

2-D (ID 26-843) regarding - the PARCS and Public Safety facilities solar

projects capital improvement projects – the title in the staff report and action item #4 Resolution have been updated with the following:

Actions pertaining to the PARCS and Public Safety facilities solar projects capital improvement projects (Citywide) should read (Council Districts 1, 3, and 5)

3. Approve the Lease Purchase Agreement with Metro Futures, Inc. for an equipment amount of \$461,905.11 for Capitalized Interest, and an additional \$25,000 issuance cost, for a total not to exceed \$6,171,077.11 through a 20-year lease term

*4. ***RESOLUTION - authorizing the City Manager or designee to enter into a Design Build contract with Alliance Building Solutions, Inc., a Lease Purchase Agreement, an escrow agreement and equipment schedule with Metro Futures, Inc., substantially in the form attached and subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney, and all related documents (Subject to Mayor's Veto)*

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2-O (ID 26-820) regarding the Expanded Access to Arts and Culture Grant Program, - each of the Resolution Action Items 2 through 6 the Ad-Hoc Resolutions for ARC Group A through E on Page 2, Sections 4 and 5 should read "EAAC Project Support Grants" and not "EAAC Project Specific Grants".

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA

3:55 P.M. (ID 26-389) regarding the Central Southeast Area Specific Plan and related Environmental Assessment - was tabled to August 13, 2026 by Councilmember Karbassi.

4:00 P.M. (ID 26-830) regarding Plan Amendment Application No. P23-03006, Rezone Application No. P23-03006 and related Environmental Assessment pertaining to approximately 55.31 acres of property bounded by East Annadale Avenue to the north, State Route 41 to the east, South Elm Avenue to the west, and East Chester/East Samson Avenue (alignment) to the south - was tabled to August 13, 2026 by Councilmember Karbassi..

THE FOLLOWING CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS WERE MOVED TO THE CONTESTED CONSENT CALENDAR FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION

2-P (ID 26-145) regarding the Helm Lofts, a 98-unit multifamily housing development project, located at 1101 Fulton Street, Fresno California - was moved to Contested Consent by Councilmember Arias

On motion of Vice President Maxwell, seconded by Councilmember Arias, the AGENDA was APPROVED AS AMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Esparza, Maxwell, Perea, Karbassi, Arias, Vang and Richardson

CEREMONIAL PRESENTATIONS

[ID 26-863](#) Proclamation for "The 76th Anniversary of Fresno NAACP"

PRESENTED

[ID 26-525](#) Proclamation of "Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month"

PRESENTED

[ID 26-839](#) Proclamation of "Roosevelt High School Baseball Day"

PRESENTED

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Councilmember Vang Reports and Comments. Reported visiting La Kitchen, a local restaurant near Kings Canyon and Fowler Avenue, and encouraged support for local businesses. Reported that the Winery Avenue repaving project has been completed, thanked Public Works staff, residents, and businesses for their patience. Announced concrete repair work was underway on Cedar Avenue and that infrastructure improvements continued throughout District 5.

Councilmember Richardson Reports and Comments. Reported Flag Day events that took place and thanked attendees. Noted multiple generations of his family were present at the event and stated that this year's message emphasized diverse perspectives and shared national values. Reminded District 6 residents to contact his office with issues regarding trash, water, streets, or similar concerns, and reported that residents could call 621 PUNT for assistance from his staff.

Council President Esparza Reports and Comments. Thanked attendees of the morning reception in honor of the 76th anniversary of the NAACP Fresno Branch.

MAYOR/MANAGER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

City Manager White Reports and Comments. Reported a tray memo was sent out announcing that a lease agreement for a new City Hall café vendor would appear on next week's agenda with Culinary Studios Inc. owners of the Cracked Pepper Café on the first floor of City Hall. Noted that staff have been working to secure a replacement vendor, and thanked Brian Barr for his efforts.

1. SCHEDULED COUNCIL HEARINGS AND MATTERS

9:05 A.M. JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL, THE CITY IN ITS CAPACITY AS HOUSING SUCCESSOR TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF FRESNO AND THE FRESNO REVITALIZATION CORPORATION

[ID 26-146](#)

Approve a Local Housing Trust Fund Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$3,727,000, with the City of Fresno, the Housing Successor to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Fresno, and The Park Partners LLC for the development of The Park at South Stadium, a 174-unit multifamily

rental housing project located at 815, 829, and 835 Fulton Street (City Council District 3)

The above item was called to order at 10:12 A.M. and was presented to Council by Assistant Director Skei. Upon call, the following members of the public addressed Council: Brunette, and Diane Smith. Public comment closed at 10:15 A.M.

Council discussion was held.

SUCCESSOR AGENCY VOTE: On motion of Member Dyer, seconded by Member Arias, the above item was adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Perea, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Vang, Richardson, Esparza, Dyer

On motion of Councilmember Arias, seconded by Vice President Maxwell, that the above Action Item be APPROVED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Esparza, Maxwell, Perea, Karbassi, Arias, Vang and Richardson

9:10 A.M.

[ID 26-791](#) HEARING to consider the proposed Annual Assessment for the City of Fresno Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance District No. 1 (Citywide)

1. ***RESOLUTION - Confirming diagram and assessment and levy of annual assessment, 2026-2027, for Landscaping and Lighting District No. 1 (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

The above item was called to order at 10:21A.M. and there was no presentation to Council. Upon call, no members of the public addressed Council. Public comment closed at 10:22 A.M.

There was no Council Discussion.

RESOLUTION 2026-129 ADOPTED

On motion of Council President Esparza, seconded by Councilmember Arias, that the above Action Item be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Esparza, Maxwell, Perea, Karbassi, Arias, Vang and Richardson

9:15 A.M. JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRESNO, THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF FRESNO AND THE FRESNO REVITALIZATION CORPORATION

[ID 26-885](#)

Actions pertaining to the disposition of surplus lands:

1. ***RESOLUTION - Declaring APNs 468-192-13T and 468-192-14T to be exempt surplus land (Subject to Mayor's Veto);
2. ***RESOLUTION - Declaring APN 468-222-12T to be exempt surplus land (Subject to Mayor's Veto);
3. ****RESOLUTION - Declaring APNs 468-223-01T, 468-223-02T and 468-223-19T to be exempt surplus land (Subject to Mayor's Veto);
4. ***RESOLUTION - Declaring a portion of APN 468-195-34T to be exempt surplus land (Subject to Mayor's Veto);
5. ****RESOLUTION - Declaring APNs 468-222-15T, 468-222-16T and 468-195-34T (portion) to be surplus land and directing staff to comply with the Surplus Land Act (Subject to Mayor's Veto); and
6. ****RESOLUTION - Finding good cause and clear and convincing benefit to the public pursuant to Fresno Municipal Code Section 4-204 relating to the disposition of real surplus property (Requires Five Affirmative Votes) (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

The above item was called to order at 10:22 A.M. and there was no presentation to Council by. Upon call, the following members of the public addressed Council: Hester Hensley, Brunette, Diane Smith. Public comment closed at 10:32 A.M.

Council discussion was held.

FRESNO REVITALIZATION CORPORATION VOTE: On motion of Member Dyer, seconded by Member Arias, the above item was adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Perea, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Vang, Richardson, Esparza, Dyer

RESOLUTION 2026-130 ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2026-131 ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2026-132 ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2026-133 ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2026-134 ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2026-135 ADOPTED

On motion of Councilmember Arias, seconded by Councilmember Perea, that the above Action Item be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Esparza, Maxwell, Perea, Karbassi, Arias, Vang and Richardson

9:20 A.M.

ID 26-561

HEARING to consider Text Amendment Application No. P26-01326 and related Environmental Finding for Environmental Assessment No. P26-01326, amending Sections 15-1002, 15-1102, 15-1502, 15-5102 and 15-6802 to comply with California Government Code Sections 65580-65589.11 to maintain compliance with the City of Fresno Housing Element and permit housing developments with at least 20 percent of units affordable to lower-income households without discretionary action on any nonvacant site identified in a prior housing element and on any vacant site included in two or more consecutive Housing Elements.

1. ADOPTION of a finding set forth in Environmental Assessment No. P26-01326, that Text Amendment Application No. P26-01326 is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3).
2. BILL (for introduction) amending Sections 15-1002, 15-1102, 15-1502, 15-5102 and 15-6802, relating to housing streamlining.

The above item was called to order at 10:33 A.M. and was presented to Council by Supervising Planner Asadoorian. Upon call, no members of the public addressed Council. Public comment closed at 10:43 A.M.

Council discussion was held.

On motion of Councilmember Karbassi, seconded by Councilmember Richardson, that the above Action Item be TABLED to June 25, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Esparza, Karbassi, Vang and Richardson

No: 3 - Maxwell, Perea and Arias

9:25 A.M.

[ID 26-775](#)

Hearing to consider the adoption of the City of Fresno Active Transportation Plan (Citywide)

1. Adopt a finding that the 2026 City of Fresno Active Transportation Plan is statutorily exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 21080.20
2. RESOLUTION - to adopt the Active Transportation Plan and accept the Active Transportation Project Prioritization Tool

The above item was called to order at 10:44 A.M. and was presented to Council by Chief Engineering Technician Aguilar. Upon call, the following members of the public addressed Council: Brunette. Public comment closed at 10:45 A.M.

There was no Council Discussion.

RESOLUTION 2026-136 ADOPTED

On motion of Councilmember Arias, seconded by Council President Esparza, that the above Action Item be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Esparza, Maxwell, Perea, Karbassi, Arias, Vang and Richardson

10:00 A.M.

[ID 26-777](#)

Appearance by Amilea Gonzalez regarding "Non Profit Agency - CASA"
(District 2 Resident)

DID NOT APPEAR

3:55 P.M.

[ID 26-389](#)

HEARING to consider the adoption of the Central Southeast Area Specific Plan and related Environmental Assessment. The following Plan Amendment and Rezone applications (collectively numbered as application P23-00400) have been filed by the Fresno City Council and pertain to approximately 2,067 acres in the Southeast area of the City of Fresno (Council Districts 5 and 7)

1. ADOPT - Recirculated Mitigated Negative Declaration (SCH 2023020138) for Environmental Assessment No. P23-00400 dated December 19, 2025, and the associated Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) prepared pursuant to California

Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Sections 15070 through 15075.

2. RESOLUTION - to repeal the Roosevelt Community Plan (Plan Amendment Application P23-00400).
3. BILL (for Introduction and Adoption) - to repeal of the Butler/Willow Specific Plan (Plan Amendment Application P23-00400).
4. ***RESOLUTION - to Adopt the Central Southeast Specific Plan (Plan Amendment Application No. P23-00400) (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
5. RESOLUTION - Updating the Land Use Map (Figure LU-1) of the Fresno General Plan to Incorporate the Central Southeast Area Specific Plan (Plan Amendment P23-00400)
6. ***BILL (for Introduction and Adoption) - Approve Rezone Application No. P22-00400 to Amend the Official Zoning Map to Rezone Approximately 119 acres of Property within the Central Southeast Area Specific Plan area to be consistent with the Planned Land Use Map (Subject to Mayor's Veto).

During approval of the agenda this item was tabled to August 13, 2026 at 3:55 P.M.

TABLED

4:00 P.M.

ID 26-830

HEARING to consider Plan Amendment Application No. P23-03006, Rezone Application No. P23-03006 and related Environmental Assessment pertaining to approximately 55.31 acres of property bounded by East Annadale Avenue to the north, State Route 41 to the east, South Elm Avenue to the west, and East Chester/East Samson Avenue (alignment) to the south (Council District 3)

1. DENY - Addendum to Final Program EIR (SCH No. 2017031012) for the Southwest Fresno Specific Plan, dated February 20, 2025, for the proposed project pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15164
2. DENY - Plan Amendment Application No. P23-03006 proposing to amend the Fresno General Plan and the Southwest Fresno Specific Plan to change the planned land use designation for the subject properties from Neighborhood Mixed-Use to Employment - Light Industrial and amendment to Policy LU-8.1 of the Southwest Fresno Specific Plan
3. DENY - Rezone Application No. P23-03006 proposing to rezone the subject properties from the NMX (*Neighborhood Mixed-Use*) zone district to the IL/cz (*Light Industrial/conditions of zoning*) zone district.

During approval of the agenda this item was tabled to August 13, 2026 at 4:00 P.M.

TABLED

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

Upon call, for public comment on all Consent, Contested Consent and Closed Session items, the following members of the public addressed Council: Nicholas Lee, Patrick Farney, Brunette, Chris Foxen, Ariana Chavez, Eddie Berto Campus, Esmerald Soria, Robin Greene, Rod Wade, Chef Soupy, Alicia R., Lisa Torrecillas, Glienda Stancill, Jamar Tlushdan, Quirina Salinas, Tamara Ramos, Genevie Barraza, Johannus Reinders, Hester Hensley, David Suarez, Madeline Frazier, Joseph Rodriguez, Crystal Rocha, Trisha Baeza, Elizabeth Laval, Michelle Ellis Pracy, Tom Goodwin, Bryan Marsgobian, Shasawaddy Somsacksy, Michaelynn Lewis, Christina Soto, and Alfred Aldrete.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

On motion of Councilmember Arias, seconded by Vice President Maxwell, the CONSENT CALENDAR was hereby adopted by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Esparza, Maxwell, Perea, Karbassi, Arias, Vang and Richardson

- 2.-A.** [ID 26-837](#) Approval of the Minutes for June 4, 2026, Regular and Special Meetings

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-B.** [ID 26-870](#) ***RESOLUTION - Amending Rules 5, 7, 10, and 13 of the Council Rules of Procedure to Comply with Changes to the Brown Act, plus Miscellaneous Cleanup Edits (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

RESOLUTION 2026-137 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-C.** [ID 26-790](#) ***RESOLUTION - To support the Better Roads, Safe Streets Transportation Measure (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

RESOLUTION 2026-138 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-D. [ID 26-843](#) Actions pertaining to the PARCS and Public Safety facilities solar projects capital improvement projects (Citywide)
1. Adopt findings of Categorical Exemptions pursuant to Class 1/15301) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines
 2. Award a Design Build contract to Alliance Building Solutions, Inc. (ABS), for a not to exceed amount of \$5,684,172, to be financed through Metro Futures, Inc. with a Lease Purchase Agreement, for the implementation of solar energy services, including construction, installation, labor, materials, and design-builder project management for solar at seven sites and EV Chargers at three sites
 3. Approve the Lease Purchase Agreement with Metro Futures, Inc. for an amount of \$5,684,172, with an additional \$25,000 issuance cost, for a total not to exceed \$5,709,172 through a 20-year lease term
 4. ***RESOLUTION - authorizing the City Manager or designee to enter into a Design Build contract with Alliance Building Solutions, Inc., a Lease Purchase Agreement, an escrow agreement and equipment schedule with Metro Futures, Inc., and all related documents (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
 5. ***RESOLUTION - declaring its official Intent to reimburse certain expenditures from the proceeds of Lease Purchase Agreement (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
 6. ***RESOLUTION - Adopting the 56th Amendment to Annual Appropriations Resolution No. 2025-179 to appropriate \$1,100,000 for the Phase 4 Solar Installation Project (Requires Five Affirmative Votes) (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

During approval of the agenda, City Clerk Aller announced the following changes to this item:

Actions pertaining to the PARCS and Public Safety facilities solar projects capital improvement projects: (Citywide) should read (Council Districts 1, 3, and 5)

3. Approve the Lease Purchase Agreement with Metro Futures, Inc. for an equipment amount of \$461,905.11 for Capitalized Interest, and an additional \$25,000 issuance cost, for a total not to exceed \$6,171,077.11 through a 20-year lease term

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to Mayor's Veto)

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RESOLUTION 2026-139 ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2026-140 ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2026-141 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-E. [ID 26-732](#) Approve the Consultant Services Agreement with Krazan & Associates, Inc., of Clovis, California in the amount of \$623,830 with an \$18,700 contingency, for the Acceptance Testing and Engineering Inspection services support for the H Street Parking Structure Project (Bid File No. 12601873) (Council District 3)

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-F. [ID 26-729](#) Approve Contract Change Order No. 03 with Katch Environmental Incorporated dba Katch General of Fresno, California in the amount of \$83,886.57 increasing the total contract amount to \$3,892,302.81 with 26 additional working days for the Garage 9 Renovation Project. (Bid File 12500982) (Council District 3)

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-G. [ID 26-698](#) Actions pertaining to the Pump Station 290A Project (Bid File 12601642) (County)
1. Adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines
 2. Award a Construction Contract to Parks Water Resources LLC of

Zamora, California in the amount of \$850,155.65 to drill a new water production well

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-H. [ID 26-728](#)

Award a Construction Contract in the amount of \$1,337,601.00 to Agee Construction Corporation, of Fresno, California for the Merced Street Reconnection Rebid Project (Bid File No. 12601347) (Council District 3)

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-I. [ID 26-813](#)

Actions pertaining to the City of Fresno Pave More Now - Bid Package B-2 Project (Bid File No. 12602019) (Council Districts 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 and 7):

1. Adopt an Environmental Assessment No. CP00017 PMN Package B-2, dated April 14, 2026, a determination that the proposed project qualifies for Categorical Exemption as set forth in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, Sections 15301/Class 1 and 15302/Class 2
2. Award a Construction Contract in the amount of \$14,488,896.79 to Archer Civil Construction of Tulare, CA, as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for pavement construction relating to the City of Fresno "Pave More Now" - Bid Package B-2 Project (Bid File No. 12602019)

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-J. [ID 26-829](#)

Approve a Municipal Advisor Professional Services Contract with KNN Public Finance, LLC for a five-year term effective through May 30, 2031, in an amount not to exceed \$425,000, with the option of two one-year extensions, each not to exceed \$85,000 annually (Bid File No. 12601730)

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-K. [ID 26-806](#)

Approve the award of a Cooperative Purchase Agreement to Mythics, LLC., for Oracle server and operating system support in the amount of \$228,799.88 for a one-year term, with an annual renewal for two additional years, for a total amount not to exceed \$830,000 for the three-year period.

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-L. [ID 26-630](#)

Submission for acceptance of the Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission's Five-Year Evaluation of the Fresno Clean and Safe Neighborhood Parks Tax (Measure P)

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-M. [ID 26-740](#)

Approve a Second Amendment to the Best Tours & Travel Service Contract to extend the term to August 26, 2027, and increase spending

authority by \$110,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$263,700

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-N. [ID 26-807](#) ***RESOLUTION - Authorizing the City Manager or Designee to Apply for and Accept a Grant of up to \$200,000 from the California Public Utilities Commission to Fund Digital Literacy Education and Digital Access (Citywide) (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

RESOLUTION 2026-142 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-O. [ID 26-820](#) Actions pertaining to the Expanded Access to Arts and Culture Grant Program
1. RESOLUTION - Adopting the Measure P Expanded Access to Arts and Culture Grant Guidelines
 2. RESOLUTION - To create the Ad-hoc Cultural Arts Grant Application Review Committee to be Known as "ARC Group A"
 3. RESOLUTION - To create the Ad-hoc Cultural Arts Grant Application Review Committee to be Known as "ARC Group B"
 4. RESOLUTION - To create the Ad-hoc Cultural Arts Grant Application Review Committee to be Known as "ARC Group C"
 5. RESOLUTION - To create the Ad-hoc Cultural Arts Grant Application Review Committee to be Known as "ARC Group D"
 6. RESOLUTION - To create the Ad-hoc Cultural Arts Grant Application Review Committee to be Known as "ARC Group E"

During approval of the agenda, City Clerk Aller announced each of the Resolution Action Items 2 through 6 the Ad-Hoc Resolutions for ARC Group A through E on Page 2, Sections 4 and 5 should read "EAAC Project Support Grants" and not "EAAC Project Specific Grants".

During approval of the Consent Calendar, Councilmember Richardson reregistered a NO vote for the above item. As such, this item was approved 6-1 by the following vote:

*Aye: 6 - Perea, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Vang, Esparza
No: 1 - Richardson*

RESOLUTION 2026-143 ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2026-144 ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2026-145 ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2026-146 ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2026-147 ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2026-148 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-Q.** [ID 26-755](#) Actions pertaining to Rincon Consultants, Inc., a California corporation, to provide On-Call Historic Preservation Services for the Planning and Development Department.
1. Approve a Consultant Services Agreement between the City of Fresno and Rincon Consultants, Inc. for on-call Historic Preservation consulting in an amount not to exceed \$120,000, effective through July 31, 2027, with the option of three one-year extensions for a total amount not to exceed \$480,000
 2. Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the agreement on behalf of the City.

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-R.** [ID 26-767](#) Actions pertaining to professional lead-based paint inspections, testing, risk assessments, and consultant services for the Community Development Division (Bid File 12601789)
1. Approve a Consultant Services Agreement with All Hazard EHS Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, to provide professional lead-based paint inspections, testing, risk assessments, and consultant services from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2028 with an option for a one-year extension for the City's federally funded housing rehabilitation programs
 2. Approve a consultant services agreement with JSA Environmental Consulting Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, to provide professional lead-based paint inspections, testing, risk assessments, and consultant services from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2028 with an option for a one-year extension for the City's federally funded housing rehabilitation programs

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-S.** [ID 26-824](#) Actions pertaining to establishing Entertainment Zones
1. ADOPTION of a finding that the proposed amendment is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3)
 2. ***BILL B-18 (Reintroduced June 4, 2026) (For Adoption) Adding Section 9-3801 and Amending Section 9-2503 of the Fresno Municipal Code relating to Establishing Entertainment Zones. (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

ORDINANCE 2026-19 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-T. [ID 26-545](#) ***RESOLUTION - Adopting the 46th Amendment to the Annual Appropriation Resolution (AAR) No. 2025-179 to appropriate \$816,600 in the Water Connection Charge Fund for the completion of citywide water system connection projects (Requires Five Affirmative Votes) (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

RESOLUTION 2026-151 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-U. [ID 26-546](#) Actions pertaining to the City of Fresno's water meters, parts, and related replacement components (Citywide):
1. ***RESOLUTION - Adopt a resolution authorizing an exception to formal bidding procedures and award a sole source Requirements Contract with Badger Meter Incorporated in an amount not to exceed \$5,235,863.45 (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
 2. Award a sole source Requirements Contract with Badger Meter Incorporated in the amount of \$1,047,172.69 per year for two years with up to three one-year extensions, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$5,235,863.45, plus annual Producer Price Index adjustments

RESOLUTION 2026-152 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-V. [ID 26-597](#) Approve a Consultant Services Agreement with Carollo Engineers, Inc., a Delaware Corporation, with a term through June 30, 2029 for an amount not to exceed \$1,149,875, and a contingency amount not to exceed \$115,125, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,265,000 for the Primary Clarifier Rehabilitation Project at the Fresno Clovis Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility (Bid File No. 12601010) (Council District 3)

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-W. [ID 26-598](#) Approve a Consultant Services Agreement with Carollo Engineers, Inc., a Delaware Corporation, with a term through June 30, 2029, for an amount not to exceed \$855,932, and a contingency amount not to exceed \$85,668, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$941,600 for the Secondary Treatment Process Rehabilitation Project at the Fresno Clovis Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility (Bid File No. 120601590) (Council District 3)

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-X. [ID 26-773](#)

Approve a First Amendment to the Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement with BNSF Railway Company, to increase the agreement amount by \$106,846.61, for a total estimated cost of \$159,952.61 for additional submittal review and approval for the North Avenue Sewer Trunk Main Realignment Project (Council Districts 3 and 5)

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**2.-Y. [ID 26-774](#)**

Actions pertaining to Wellhead Treatment Improvements at Pump Station 347 Project (Bid File 12601675) (Council District 7)

1. Adopt a finding of Categorical Exemption pursuant to Section 15302/Class 2 (Replacement or Reconstruction) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines
2. Award a Construction Contract in the amount of \$857,000.00 to West Valley Construction Company Inc., as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**2.-Z. [ID 26-766](#)**

RESOLUTION - Dedicating public utility easements on portions of City-owned properties, to accommodate the public utility relocation associated with the Blackstone McKinley BNSF Grade Separation Project (Council Districts 1 and 7)

RESOLUTION 2026-153 ADOPTED**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR****2.-AA. [ID 26-772](#)**

Approve a Second Amendment to the Professional Consultant Services Agreement with TJKM Transportation Consultants for the Active Transportation Plan Update, for additional scope services, increase the amount by \$22,560, for a total agreement amount of \$420,560, and extend the agreement an additional three months through September 30, 2026 (Citywide)

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**2.-BB. [ID 26-825](#)**

Actions pertaining to the agreement with the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) (Council Districts 1, 2, and 3)

1. Adopt a finding of Categorical Exemption pursuant to Section 15301/Class 1 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines
2. Approve the revised State Route 99 Freeway Maintenance Agreement

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-CC. [ID 26-624](#) Authorize the City Manager to execute a Revenue Agreement with Fresno Unified School District, subsidizing transit fares on Fresno Area Express buses

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-DD. [ID 26-803](#) ***RESOLUTION - Adopting the 52nd Amendment to the Annual Appropriation Resolution No. 2025-179 to appropriate \$1,618,200 in State Transportation Development Act (TDA) (LTF) Art-4 revenues to support transit operations (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

RESOLUTION 2026-154 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-EE. [ID 26-889](#) Approve the appointment of April D. Henry to the Active Transportation Advisory Committee for a term ending on October 1, 2028

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-FF. [ID 26-890](#) ***RESOLUTION - Requesting the City Manager and the City Attorney to renegotiate the Citywide Project Labor Agreement (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

During approval of the Consent Calendar, Councilmember Richardson reregistered a NO vote for the above item. As such, this item was approved 6-1 by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Perea, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Vang, Esparza

No: 1 - Richardson

RESOLUTION 2026-155 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

CONTESTED CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-P. [ID 26-145](#) Actions pertaining to the Helm Lofts, a 98-unit multifamily housing development project, located at 1101 Fulton Street, Fresno California (City Council District 3)
1. ***RESOLUTION - in support of a contribution of City Funds in an amount not to exceed \$1,600,000 toward the housing development project located on 1101 Fulton Street in Fresno California (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
 2. ***RESOLUTION - in support of a contribution of City Funds in an amount not to exceed \$8,000,000 toward the housing development project located on 1101 Fulton Street in Fresno California (Subject

to Mayor's Veto)

Councilmember Arias moved the above item to Contested Consent to discuss the project.

Council discussion was held.

RESOLUTION 2026-149 ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2026-150 ADOPTED

On motion of Councilmember Arias, seconded by Councilmember Perea, that the above Action Item be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Esparza, Maxwell, Perea, Arias, Vang and Richardson

Absent: 1 - Karbassi

3. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

- 3.-A.** [ID 26-845](#) ***RESOLUTION - Adopting a Technology Disruption Policy During Public Meetings of the City Council (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

The above item was presented to Council by City Clerk Aller. Upon call, the following members of the public addressed Council: Nikki Real.

Council discussion was held.

RESOLUTION 2026-156 ADOPTED

On motion of Vice President Maxwell, seconded by Councilmember Arias, that the above Action Item be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Esparza, Maxwell, Perea, Karbassi, Arias, Vang and Richardson

UNSCHEDULED COMMUNICATION

Upon call, the following members of the public addressed the Council with unscheduled communication: Nikki Real, Kevin Arias, and Lady Diana Oliva.

4. CITY COUNCIL

- 4.-A. [ID 26-848](#) Presentation by Neil O'Brien

PRESENTED

- 4.-B. [ID 26-831](#) Oral Summary Report and Approval of At-Will Agreement for City Clerk, Amy Aller (Cobb), effective June 15, 2026

The above item was presented to Council by Chief Assistant City Attorney Griffin. Upon call, no members of the public addressed Council.

There was no Council Discussion.

PRESENTED

On motion of Council President Esparza, seconded by Vice President Maxwell, that the above Action Item be APPROVED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Esparza, Maxwell, Perea, Karbassi, Arias, Vang and Richardson

5. CLOSED SESSION

During open session, City Attorney Janz announced each of the items that would be discussed in closed session.

Council withdrew to closed session at 2:43 P.M.

- 5.-A. [ID 26-838](#)

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS - Government Code Section 54957.6

City Negotiators: Sumeet Malhi

Employee Organization(s): 1. International Union of Operating Engineers, Stationary Engineers, Local 39 (Local 39); 2. Fresno City Employees Association (FCEA); 3. Fresno Police Officers Association (FPOA Basic), Unit 4; 4. International Association of Firefighters, Local 202, Unit 5 (Fire Basic); 5. Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 1027 (ATU); 6. International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 100 (IBEW); 7. Fresno Police Officers Association (FPOA Management); 8. International Association of Firefighters, Local 202, Unit 10 (Fire Management); 9. City of Fresno Professional Employees Association (CFPEA); 10. City of Fresno Management Employees Association (CFMEA). 11. Employee Organization(s): Unrepresented Employees in Unit 2 (Non-Represented Management and Confidential Classes): Airport Public Safety Manager, Airports Public Safety Assistant Manager, Assistant City Attorney,

Assistant City Manager, Assistant Controller, Assistant Director, Assistant Director of Personnel Services, Assistant Director of Public Utilities, Assistant Director of Public Works, Assistant Police Chief, Assistant Retirement Administrator, Background Investigator, Budget Analyst, Budget Manager, Chief Assistant City Attorney, Chief Information Officer, Chief Labor Negotiator, Chief of Staff to Councilmember, Chief of Staff to the Mayor, City Attorney (City Negotiator, Council President Esparza), City Attorney Investigator, City Clerk (City Negotiator, Council President Esparza), City Engineer, City Manager (City Negotiator, Mayor Dyer), Community Coordinator, Community Outreach Specialist, Controller, Council Assistant, Deputy City Attorney II, Deputy City Attorney III, Deputy City Manager, Director, Director of Aviation, Director of Development, Director of Personnel Services, Director of Public Utilities, Director of Transportation, Economic Development Coordinator, Economic Development Director, Executive Assistant to Department Director, Executive Assistant to the City Attorney, Executive Assistant to the City Council, Executive Assistant to the City Manager, Executive Assistant to the Mayor, Fire Chief, Governmental Affairs Manager, Human Resources Manager, Independent Reviewer, Internal Auditor, Investment Officer, Management Analyst II, Payroll Accountant, Payroll Manager, Police Chief, Principal Budget Analyst, Principal Internal Auditor, Principal Labor Relations Analyst, Project Liaison/Program Administrator, Public Affairs Officer, Public Works Director, Retirement Administrator, Retirement Benefits Manager, Retirement Office Manager, Senior Budget Analyst, Senior City Attorney Investigator, Senior Deputy City Attorney I, Senior Deputy City Attorney II, Senior Deputy City Attorney III, Senior Human Resources/Risk Analyst, Senior Law Clerk, Special Assistant City Attorney, Supervising Deputy City Attorney, Veterinarian

The above item was discussed in closed session. There were no open session announcements for this item.

DISCUSSED

- 5.-B. [ID 26-739](#) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(1)
Addison Couto v. City of Fresno, et al.; Fresno Superior Court Case No.24CECG01436

The above item was discussed in closed session. There were no open session announcements for this item.

DISCUSSED

- 5.-C. [ID 26-804](#) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(1)
City of Fresno v. Gurpreet Chauhan, et al.
Fresno Superior Court, Case No. 25CECG00464

The above item was discussed in closed session. City Attorney JAnz reported:

Today in close session, the City Council approved a proposed settlement in the eminent domain case entitled city of Fresno versus Gurpreet Chauhan and others. Fresno Superior Court case number 25CECG00464. The settlement provides for a global resolution consistent with the City's project objectives. Under the terms of the settlement, if the court so approves, title to the subject property will vest in the City upon payment of \$532,000 plus the legally required interest on the deposit of probable compensation. \$185,000 has already been deposited by the City to the State Treasurer's Office Condemnation Fund. The settlement shall be paid for Measure "C" and California Local Partnership Program Formulaic Grant Funds. This motion and this settlement was approved by a vote of 7-0 in closed session..

DISCUSSED

- 5.-D. [ID 26-849](#) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(1)
Case Name: Joseph Perez, et al. v. City of Fresno, et al.; Fresno Superior Court Case No.22CECG01150

The above item was discussed in closed session. There were no open session announcements for this item.

DISCUSSED

- 5.-E. [ID 26-871](#) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(1)
Case Name: City of Fresno v. Central Valley Community Sports Foundation, et al.; Fresno Superior Court Case No. 25CECG05678

The above item was discussed in closed session. There were no open session announcements for this item.

DISCUSSED

5.-F. [ID 26-826](#)

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(4)
1 potential case

The above item was discussed in closed session. There were no open session announcements for this item.

DISCUSSED

5.-G. [ID 26-882](#)

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(4)
1 potential case

The above item was discussed in closed session. There were no open session announcements for this item.

DISCUSSED

5.-H. [ID 26-893](#)

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(4)
1 potential case

The above item was discussed in closed session. There were no open session announcements for this item.

DISCUSSED

5.-I. [ID 26-873](#)

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(2)
1 potential case

The above item was discussed in closed session. There were no open session announcements for this item.

DISCUSSED

ADJOURNMENT

The Council meeting adjourned from closed session at 4:26 P.M.

The above minutes were approved by unanimous vote of the City Council during the July 30, 2026 regular meeting.