

City of Fresno

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Fresno, CA 93721
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Meeting Agenda - Final

Thursday, January 11, 2024

9:00 AM

Regular Meeting

Council Chambers (In Person and/or Electronic)

City Council

President - Tyler Maxwell

Vice President - Annalisa Perea

Councilmembers:

Mike Karbassi, Miguel Angel Arias, Luis Chavez,

Garry Bredefeld, Nelson Esparza

City Manager - Georgeanne A. White

City Attorney - Andrew Janz

City Clerk - Todd Stermer, CMC

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LOCATED IN CITY HALL, 2ND FLOOR, 2600 FRESNO STREET, FRESNO,
CALIFORNIA 93721.**

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9:00 A.M. ROLL CALL

Invocation by Pastor Simon Biasell from The Big Red Church

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

APPROVE AGENDA

9:00 A.M. 2024 CITY COUNCIL ELECTION

[ID 24-68](#) Election of Council President and Vice President

[ID 24-69](#) Election of Chair and Vice Chair to the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Fresno

CEREMONIAL PRESENTATIONS

[ID 24-28](#) Proclamation for “Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Unity Committee Day”

Sponsors: Councilmember Arias

[ID 24-78](#) Proclamation for “Haron Family Legacy Day”

Sponsors: Office of Mayor & City Manager

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

MAYOR/MANAGER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

CITY CLERK AND CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS AND COMMENTS

UNSCHEDULED COMMUNICATION

PLEASE NOTE: UNSCHEDULED COMMUNICATION IS NOT SCHEDULED FOR A SPECIFIC TIME AND MAY BE HEARD ANY TIME DURING THE MEETING

1. CONSENT CALENDAR

1.-A. [ID 24-01](#) Approval of Minutes for December 7, 2023, Regular Meeting and December 14, 2023, Regular Meeting.

Sponsors: Office of the City Clerk

- 1.-B. [ID 24-18](#) Approve the First Amendment to Master Equipment Lease Purchase Agreement to increase the borrowing capacity.
Sponsors: Finance Department
- 1.-C. [ID 24-58](#) Actions pertaining to the Fresno Fire Department's Scheduling, Evaluation and Learning Management systems:
1. Affirm the City Manager's determination that Vector Solutions is uniquely qualified to provide software for Scheduling, Evaluations and Learning Management System
2. Renew Vector Solutions software license for Scheduling, Evaluations and Learning Management System (LMS) in to a 5-year contract, not to exceed \$335,735
Sponsors: Fire Department
- 1.-D. [ID 24-31](#) Award a professional consultant agreement to TRC Solutions, Inc of Windsor, Connecticut with offices in Fresno, California for \$147,221, plus a not-to-exceed contingency amount of \$10,000, to develop a zero-emission vehicle transition plan for the municipal fleet and facilitate compliance with the California Air Resources Board Advanced Clean Fleet Regulation
Sponsors: General Services Department
- 1.-E. [ID 24-30](#) Reject all bids received for the purchase of two Intermediate, Mid-size, Four-door Unleaded Sedans on behalf of the Department of Transportation/Fresno Area Express (FAX) (Bid File 3879)
Sponsors: General Services Department and Department of Transportation
- 1.-F. [ID 24-44](#) Approve a First Amendment to the Consultant Services Agreement with Kleinfelder Inc. for Environmental Engineering Services in the amount of \$20,200 to provide additional services for the Maxie L. Parks site located at 2165 South Elm Street, Fresno CA 93706, for a total amount not to exceed \$60,770. (Council District 3)
Sponsors: Parks, After School and Recreation and Community Services Department
- 1.-G. [ID 24-53](#) ***RESOLUTION - Authorizing a Grant Application of up to

\$300,000 to the California Office of Traffic Safety (CA OTS) to Fund Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Programming, Acceptance of Grant Funding, and Execution of Related Documents by the City Manager or Designee (Citywide) (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

Sponsors:

Parks, After School and Recreation and Community Services Department

1.-H. [ID 24-21](#)

Actions pertaining to allocation of One Fresno Youth Jobs Corps program funding to six organizations to provide meaningful work experience at their worksites:

1. Approve six (6) Service Agreements allocating One Fresno Youth Jobs Corps grant program funding to local Community Based Organizations (CBOs) totaling \$985,992.62 (RFP 12302546) to the following organizations: (1) Career Nexus \$50,000; (2) Community Media Access Collaborative \$53,224; (3) Fresno County EOC \$200,000; (4) Neighborhood Industries \$200,000; (5) Poverello House, Naomi House, Amici Del \$200,000; and (6) The Downtown Association \$282,769.
2. RESOLUTION - Granting Authority to the City Manager or designee to enter into agreements with Community Based Organizations to provide meaningful work experiences at their worksites funded by the One Fresno Youth Jobs Corps program.

Sponsors:

Personnel Services Department

1.-I. [ID 24-13](#)

Approve the Seventh Amendment to the consultant services agreement with Ascent Environmental, Inc., extending the contract performance period to December 31, 2024, for the South-Central Specific Plan Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

Sponsors:

Planning and Development Department

1.-J. [ID 24-48](#)

Approve the Second Amendment to the Professional Engineering Services Agreement with Quad Knopf, Inc, dba QK in the amount of \$15,000, increasing the total contract amount to \$83,400 with a remaining contingency of \$500, due to increased scope of services for the Fink-White Park Splash Pad Project (Council District 3).

Sponsors:

Capital Projects Department, Parks, After School and Recreation and Community Services Department

1.-K. [ID 24-04](#)

Approve an agreement for Professional Engineering Services with Peters Engineering Group, of Clovis, California, in the amount of \$154,000, with a \$10,000 contingency, for the design and construction support services for the Cedar Avenue Roadway Improvements between Herndon Avenue and Alluvial Avenue (Council District 6).

Sponsors:

Capital Projects Department and Public Works Department

1.-L. [ID 24-47](#)

Approve the Agreement for Purchase and Sale of a Permanent Street Easement and Escrow Instructions to acquire a permanent easement for the construction of the widening of Ashlan Avenue between Bryan Avenue and Hayes Avenue as part of the Tract 6258 Offsite Right of Way Acquisition Project (Council District 1).

Sponsors:

Capital Projects Department and Public Works Department

1.-M. [ID 24-52](#)

Actions pertaining to the Shields Avenue Paving Project from Parkway Drive to Brawley Avenue (Council District 1):

1. Adopt a finding of Categorical Exemption per staff determination pursuant to Section 15301/ Class 1 and Section 15332/Class 32 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.
2. Approve the Agreement for Purchase and Sale of a Permanent Street Easement and Escrow Instructions to acquire a permanent easement and right of way for public street purposes on a 0.23-acre (10,450 square feet) unimproved portion of a 12.73-acre (554,519 square feet) parcel, located at 3051 North Mosswood Drive (Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 433-09-023S), owned by Green Acres MH, LLC, a California limited liability company, in the amount of \$47,100.

Sponsors:

Capital Projects Department and Public Works Department

1.-N. [ID 24-23](#)

Award a requirements contract to Metron-Farnier LLC, for the purchase of large diameter water meters for three years with two optional one-year extensions, in an amount not to exceed \$156,332.80 per year, plus annual Consumer Price Index

increases (Bid File 12400342) (Citywide).

Sponsors:

Department of Public Utilities

1.-O. [ID 24-22](#)

Actions pertaining to the Replacement of Variable Frequency Drives at the Fresno-Clovis Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility (Bid File 12400495) (Council District 3):

1. Adopt a finding of Categorical Exemption pursuant to Class 2, Section 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.
2. Approve the award of a purchase contract to Allied Electric of Fresno, California, for the purchase of two (2) Allen-Bradley PF755TL 800 HP ND Type 1 Variable Frequency Drives in the amount of \$383,311.25.

Sponsors:

Department of Public Utilities

1.-P. [ID 24-38](#)

Approve a consultant services agreement with Water Systems Consulting, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$767,880, and a contingency amount of \$70,000, to prepare a Water Reuse Master Plan for the City of Fresno. (Bid File 12302738) (Citywide).

Sponsors:

Department of Public Utilities

1.-Q. [ID 24-20](#)

Actions pertaining to the summary vacation of a portion of the unused public utility easement located adjacent to North Alicante Drive and west of North Willow Avenue (Council District 6).

1. Adopt a finding of Categorical Exemption per staff determination, pursuant to Section 15301/Class 1 and Section 15305/Class 5 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, EA P23-02518.
2. RESOLUTION - Ordering the summary vacation of a portion of the unused public utility easement located adjacent to North Alicante Drive and west of North Willow Avenue.

Sponsors:

Public Works Department

1.-R. [ID 24-06](#)

Actions pertaining to the summary vacation of a portion of a public watermain easement on Parcel N of Parcel Map Number 2008-13, lying southwest of North Riverside Drive, between West Herndon Avenue and North Veterans Boulevard (Council District 2):

1. Adopt a finding of Categorical Exemption per Environmental Assessment Number P23-01378 per staff determination, pursuant to and Section 15305, Class 5 Minor Alteration in Land Use Limitations of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.
2. RESOLUTION - Ordering the summary vacation of a portion of a public watermain easement on Parcel N of Parcel Map Number 2008-13, lying southwest of North Riverside Drive, between West Herndon Avenue and North Veterans Boulevard.

Sponsors: Public Works Department

- 1.-S. [ID 24-39](#) Submission for informational purposes of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports (“ACFR”) regarding the Financial Activities of the City of Fresno Retirement Systems for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023

Sponsors: Retirement Department

- 1.-T. [ID 24-10](#) RESOLUTION - Renaming the Van Ness and Weldon Pocket Park to “Trolley” Park

Sponsors: Vice President Perea

- 1.-U. [ID 24-66](#) ***BILL B-36 - (Intro’d December 14, 2023)(For Adoption) Repealing Article 22 of Chapter 14 of the Fresno Municipal Code, relating to Cruising (Subject to Mayor’s Veto)

Sponsors: Councilmember Chavez

JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL, THE CITY OF FRESNO IN ITS CAPACITY AS HOUSING SUCCESSOR TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF FRESNO, THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF FRESNO, AND FRESNO REVITALIZATION CORPORATION

- 1.-V. [ID 24-70](#) Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Fresno and Fresno Revitalization Corporation (FRC) consider adopting:
1. RESOLUTION - Approving the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule 24-25

Sponsors: Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency

CONTESTED CONSENT CALENDAR

2. SCHEDULED COUNCIL HEARINGS AND MATTERS

10:00 A.M.

[ID 24-12](#)

HEARING to consider Development Permit Application No. P21-02699, Vesting Tentative Parcel Map No. 2021-09, and related Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR), State Clearinghouse (SCH) No. 2022050265, regarding an Office/Warehouse Project located on approximately ± 48.03 acres of property at the northeast intersection of North Marks and West Nielsen Avenues (Council District 3)

1. CERTIFY Final Environmental Impact Report (SCH No. 2022050265), apply the Council's independent judgment and analysis to the review, and then adopt the resolution certifying the FEIR as having been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) on the proposed Final EIR and comments thereon; and
 - a. ADOPT the Water Supply Assessment (WSA) attached to the FEIR as Appendix K in compliance with Section 10910 of the California Water Code and Section 15155 of the CEQA Guidelines, and adopt the WSA as a technical addendum to the Environmental Impact Report; and,
 - b. ADOPT Findings of Fact pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15091; and,
 - c. ADOPT a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15097; and,
2. DENY the appeal and UPHOLD the action of the Planning Commission in the approval of Development Permit Application No. P21-02699 which requests authorization to construct four office/warehouse buildings with a total gross floor area of approximately ± 901,438 square feet, subject to compliance with the Conditions of Approval dated October 4, 2023; and,
3. DENY the appeal and UPHOLD the action of the Planning Commission in the approval of Vesting Tentative Parcel Map No. 2021-09 which requests authorization to subdivide the

subject property into four parcels: Parcel A ± 11.68 acres, Parcel B ± 5.38 acres, Parcel C ± 5.14 acres, Parcel D ± 26.15 acres, subject to compliance with the Conditions of Approval dated October 4, 2023.

Sponsors:

Planning and Development Department

10:05 A.M.

[ID 24-19](#)

HEARING to consider the vacation of a portion of excess public street right of way on the northeast side of North Weber Avenue, northwest of West Herndon Avenue (Council District 2):

1. ***RESOLUTION - Ordering the vacation of a portion of excess public street right of way on the northeast side of North Weber Avenue, northwest of West Herndon Avenue (Subject to Mayor's Veto).

Sponsors:

Public Works Department

10:10 A.M.#1

[ID 24-09](#)

HEARING to consider Text Amendment Application No. P23-02443 and related Environmental Finding for Environmental Assessment No. P23-02443 amending Subsection U to Section 3804 of Chapter 15 of the Fresno Municipal Code pertaining to the deferral of certain subdivision improvements (all Council Districts):

1. ADOPT a finding set forth in Environmental Assessment No. P23-02443, dated July 26, 2023, that Text Amendment Application No. P23-02443 is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to the commonsense exemption that it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility of significant adverse effect on the environment pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 1506(b) (3).
2. BILL (for Introduction) Text Amendment Application No. P23-02443 adding Subsection U to Section 3804 of Chapter 15 of the Fresno Municipal Code relating to the deferral of certain sidewalk construction, driveway approaches and street trees in subdivisions until prior to occupancy of single-family homes.

Sponsors: Public Works Department

10:10 A.M. #2

[ID 24-17](#)

HEARING to consider Text Amendment Application No. P23-02808 and related Environmental Finding For Environmental Assessment No. P23-02808 amending Subsection E of Section 3314 of Chapter 15 of the Fresno Municipal Code related to tentative map appeal hearings - Planning & Development Department.

1. ADOPT a finding set forth in Environmental Assessment No. P23-02808 dated September 13, 2023, that Text Amendment Application No. P23-02808 is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to the commonsense exemption that it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility of significant adverse effect on the environment pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b) (3)
2. BILL (for introduction) Approve Amending Subsection E to Section 3314 of Chapter 15 of the Fresno Municipal Code relating to the language of the required tentative map appeal hearing date from 30 days to 45 days.

Sponsors: Planning and Development Department

10:20 A.M.

[ID 24-05](#)

Appearance by Jorge Zavala to discuss City of Fresno failure to support, assist, and accommodate disability rights (District 4 Resident)

Sponsors: Office of the City Clerk

10:25 A.M.

[ID 24-59](#)

Appearance by Ana Rodriguez to discuss mail and identity theft in the City of Fresno (District 5 Resident)

Sponsors: Office of the City Clerk

3. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

4. CITY COUNCIL

5. CLOSED SESSION**5.-A. [ID 24-75](#)****PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**

1. Government Code Section 54957(b): consider the appointment, employment, evaluation of performance, discipline, or dismissal of a public employee.

Title: City Attorney

2. Government Code Section 54957.6: conference with labor negotiator. City Negotiator: Council President Tyler Maxwell.

Unrepresented Employee: City Attorney

Sponsors:

Council President Maxwell

5.-B. [ID 24-76](#)**PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**

1. Government Code Section 54957(b): consider the appointment, employment, evaluation of performance, discipline, or dismissal of a public employee.

Title: City Clerk

2. Government Code Section 54957.6: conference with labor negotiator. City Negotiator: Council President Tyler Maxwell.

Unrepresented Employee: City Clerk

Sponsors:

Council President Maxwell

ADJOURNMENT**UPCOMING SCHEDULED COUNCIL HEARINGS AND MATTERS****UPCOMING EMPLOYEE CEREMONIES*****EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER - 10:00 A.M***

- *January 17, 2024 (Wednesday) - Employee of the Winter Quarter*
- *April 10, 2024 (Wednesday) - Employee of the Spring Quarter*
- *July 17, 2024 (Wednesday) - Employee of the Summer Quarter*
- *October 16, 2024 (Wednesday) - Employee of the Fall Quarter*

EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS - 10:00 A.M.

- *April 17, 2024 (Wednesday) - Employee Service Awards*
- *November 20, 2024 (Wednesday) - Employee Service Awards*

2024 CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

January 18, 2024 - 9:00 A.M.

February 1, 2024 - 9:00 A.M.

February 22, 2024 - 9:00 A.M.

March 7, 2024 - 9:00 A.M.

March 21, 2024 - 9:00 A.M.