



# City of Fresno

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## Meeting Minutes City Council

***President - Mike Karbassi***

***Vice President - Miguel Angel Arias***

***Councilmembers:***

***Annalisa Perea, Tyler Maxwell, Brandon Vang,***

***Nick Richardson, Nelson Esparza***

***City Manager - Georgeanne A. White***

***City Attorney - Andrew Janz***

***City Clerk - Todd Stermer, MMC***

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**Thursday, September 25, 2025**

**9:00 AM**

**Council Chambers**

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### **Regular Meeting**

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

9:15 A.M. ROLL CALL

*Councilmember Vang joined the meeting at 12:22 P.M.*

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

Invocation by Pastor Monsignor Robert D. Wenzinger from Saint Anthony of Padua - Fresno

*Pastor Monsignor Robert D. Wenzinger gave the invocation.*

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

*Councilmember Perea led the Pledge of Allegiance.*

### **APPROVE AGENDA**

*THE AGENDA WAS APPROVED WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES*

*Ceremonial Presentation (ID 25-1006) regarding the proclamation of “Ronny Jungk Day”- is being co-sponsored by Councilmember Maxwell with Council President Karbassi.*

*At the request of the Council President the meeting will be adjourned in memory of former Fresno County Sheriff, Steven Magarian.*

**THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA**

*9:15 A.M. (ID 25-664) regarding the hearing to consider adoption of the Vehicle Miles Traveled Reduction Program and Nexus Study and Vehicle Miles Traveled Mitigation Fee – was continued to October 16th, 2025, at 9:15 A.M. per Staff.*

*2-H (ID 25-1236) regarding the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding to Southwest Fresno Development Corporation – was tabled to October 16, 2025, by Vice President Arias.*

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

*2-C (ID 25-1203) regarding the first amendment to the consultant services agreement with Michael K. Nunley and Associates, Inc. - was moved to contested consent by Councilmember Richardson.*

*2-N ID (25-1219) regarding the award of a cooperative purchase agreement to Granicus, Inc., in the amount of \$262,458.80, for a three-year renewal of their digital software subscription - was moved to contested consent by Councilmember Richardson.*

*2-X (ID 25-1245) regarding the 2026 Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) grant - was moved to contested consent by Council President Karbassi.*

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

**Aye:** 6 - Karbassi, Arias, Perea, Maxwell, Richardson and Esparza

**Absent:** 1 - Vang

## **CEREMONIAL PRESENTATIONS**

### **Morning Ceremonials**

[ID 25-816](#) Fresno Animal Center presents “Pet of the Month”

*PRESENTED*

[ID 25-1006](#) Proclamation of “Ronny Jungk Day”

*During approval of the agenda, City Clerk Stermer announced this proclamation is being co-sponsored by Councilmember Maxwell, and Council President Karbassi.*

*PRESENTED*

[ID 25-1164](#) Proclamation of “Khalsa Mental Health and Cultural Center”

*PRESENTED*

[ID 25-1165](#) Proclamation of “Oaxaqueño Heritage Month”

*PRESENTED*

### **Afternoon Ceremonials**

[ID 25-1262](#) Proclamation of “Dr. Sudarshan Kapoor”

*PRESENTED*

## **COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

*Councilmember Perea Reports and Comments. Extended gratitude to Supervisor Chavez for the invitation to be a guest at the recent County-City Town Hall. Acknowledged the dedicated School Area Team for hosting families and answering questions about code violations in neighborhoods. Reported that the District 1 team attended "Dining in the Dark", a fundraiser supporting the Valley Center for the Blind. Thanked Councilmember Maxwell for presenting a proclamation at Fresno High School to "The Outsiders", noting the event was a great success. Expressed appreciation to Dailey Elementary for the invitation to speak with students in a “Councilmember for a Day” activity to share ideas for their City. Shared the*

*team had been actively visiting local businesses that received either the Facade Improvement Grant or the Energy Efficiency Grant. Noted that grant funds are still available and encouraged interested restaurants to contact the District 1 office for assistance. Gave a special shout-out to Janay Conley for her excellent customer service, as recognized by a local restaurant that appreciated her support throughout the grant process. Invited seniors to a "Senior Dance Party" at Trolley Park.*

*Councilmember Richardson Reports and Comments. Congratulated all who attended the "Economic Empowerment Summit" held at Clovis Community College, noting it was inspiring to see attendees exploring ways to invest in themselves and pursue their goals. Shared he was honored to be a guest speaker at the "Republican Women Federated" lunch event with engaging conversation and good food. Expressed appreciation to everyone who participated in the Fresno State blood drive, highlighting the strong turnout and enthusiasm from the community. Congratulated Central Valley Veterans for organizing a successful "Veterans Stand Down" event, which was ongoing through the end of the week. The event was recognized for providing vital resources to veterans, including outreach for the homeless, support for veteran-owned businesses, and assistance navigating government bureaucracy. Expressed gratitude for the work being done to support veterans. Announced that Senate Bill 707, an update to the Brown Act, passed both the Senate and Assembly. The bill includes provisions allowing Reservists and National Guardsmen to serve in elected roles and participate remotely during their annual service obligations.*

*Councilmember Esparza Reports and Comments. Reported attending the Maddy Institute's 25th Anniversary Celebration, where Congressman Jim Costa was honored for his decades of public service. The event was a meaningful recognition of both the Institute's legacy in shaping future leaders and the Congressman's contributions to the Central Valley. Noted that District 7 hosts a Maddy intern nearly every semester and expressed appreciation for the Institute's work. Attended the "Greek Fest" in District 7 over the weekend, briefly helped behind the grill, and appreciated the warm reception from the church community. Congratulated the Better Business Bureau serving Central California on their 75th anniversary. Attended the celebration and acknowledged the BBB's long-standing commitment to*

*ethical business practices and consumer trust. Thanked everyone who participated in the 'Mexican Flag Raising Ceremony' at City Hall, which marked the beginning of Latino Heritage Month. A special welcome was extended to the new Mexican Consulate who joined the event.*

*Vice President Arias Reports and Comments. Inquired about the status of the mural policy, and emphasized the importance of finalizing the policy before Measure "P" awards are distributed and mural projects begin. Thanked all who attended "Fiestas Patrias", noting that approximately 12,000 attendees were tracked through cell phone usage, not including children without phones. Expressed appreciation to the Mayor and PARCS Director for their efforts in completing two new multi-purpose courts for futsal, basketball, and tennis at Roeding Park. Raised a concern regarding parking fee structures at regional parks, particularly in light of Measure "P" funding, and noted inconsistencies in how parking fees are applied during special events and questioned whether the cost of collecting parking revenue outweighs the benefits. Requested that this issue be revisited during the upcoming budget process. Announced that on October 9, 2025, Fresno Unified School District would host award-winning author Edward Dennis at San Pablo Park for a family-friendly book signing event featuring his book "The Boy from Mexico". Expressed satisfaction that the park's murals and open space were being used for such community events. Congratulated City Manager White's husband for receiving an award. Thanked Councilmember Richardson and Council President Karbassi for holding a press conference related to ongoing litigation, commending their clear and direct messaging. Emphasized that the City would not be intimidated by federal threats to withhold funds and would continue to advocate for its residents' rights.*

*Council President Karbassi Reports and Comments. Reported attending the Women's Conference the previous week and praised City Manager White for doing an excellent job as a panelist during the morning session. Appreciation was extended to Public Works, Capital Projects, and Assistant City Manager Nick Mascia for their prompt response to traffic issues on Herndon Avenue, which were resolved quickly after being reported, and noted the project was nearly complete. Thanked Director Scott Mozier and the Public Works team for their continued efforts in the district and*

*complimented Scott's extensive knowledge of local streets and infrastructure. Attended the 25th Anniversary Celebration of the Maddy Institute, where Congressman Jim Costa received the Legacy Award. Congratulated the congressman and thanked Blake Zante for his leadership at the Institute. Announced a press conference was held with Councilmember Perea and the Mayor to launch the "Pave Now, Pay Later" initiative, which began in District 1 on Shields Avenue near Dailey Elementary School. Highlighted the emotional impact of Councilmember Perea's remarks and noted that the initiative would fund improvements in areas such as Northwest Fresno, Fig Garden Loop, and West Shaw Avenue. Joined Fire Chief Alcorn, Police Chief Casto, Mayor Dyer, and Councilmember Perea in unveiling a new public safety initiative to equip all firefighters, including their trucks, medical squad vehicles, engines, and battalion chiefs, with ballistic vests and helmets. The proactive measure was implemented in response to increasing risks faced by first responders, referencing past incidents in Idaho and Stockton. Mentioned watching a PRAC meeting and receiving constituent concerns about the service group involved. Requested that the administration investigate the complaints and report back to the Council on whether any of the concerns were valid or required corrective action.*

## **MAYOR/MANAGER REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

*City Manager White Reports and Comments. Informed the Council that the Mayor was in route to the "U.S. Conference of Mayors" and was not present at the meeting. Acknowledged the many exciting events mentioned by Councilmembers, including the Pave Now initiative, Roeding Park multi-sport courts, and the Fresno Fire Department's ballistic vest program. Regarding recent litigation involving federal funding, clarified that the administration's position was based solely on financial necessity. The City already expended funds and needed to ensure reimbursement from the federal government. The litigation was not intended as an indictment of the federal administration but rather a measure to protect the City's finances. Shared that her husband was being honored as Alumnus of the Year by U.C. Law School in San Francisco (formerly Hastings). Expressed pride in his over 30 years of legal service to the community and appreciation to Councilmember Arias for his recognition.*

## **1. SCHEDULED COUNCIL HEARINGS AND MATTERS**

**9:05 A.M. JOINT MEETING WITH THE FRESNO JOINT POWERS  
FINANCING AUTHORITY (JPFA). MEMBERS OF JPFA BOARD:  
MAYOR JERRY DYER, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MIKE KARBASSI,  
AND COUNCILMEMBER NELSON ESPARZA**

**JPFA ACTION**

- A. [ID 25-1266](#) HEARING designating and authorizing certain Finance Officers of the City of Fresno (City) to sign various investment and commercial banking documents, and to provide verbal instruction required for prudent financial administration and safekeeping of Fresno Joint Powers Finance Authority (JPFA) funds and property.

*The above item was called to order at 10:05 A.M. and there was no presentation to Council. Upon call, no members of the public addressed Council. Public comment closed at 10:06 A.M.*

*There was no Council discussion.*

**RESOLUTION JPFA-62 ADOPTED**

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

*Aye: 2 - Karbassi, Esparza*

*Absent: 1 - Dyer*

- B. [ID 25-1267](#) HEARING consenting to and authorizing investment monies in the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) in the custody of the State Treasurer for purposes of prudent financial administration and safekeeping of Fresno Joint Powers Finance Authority (JPFA) funds, and authorizing certain Finance Officers of the City of Fresno (City) in connection therewith.

*The above item was called to order at 10:06 A.M. and there was no presentation to Council. Upon call, no members of the public addressed Council. Public comment closed at 10:06 A.M.*

*There was no Council discussion.*

*RESOLUTION JPFA-63 ADOPTED*

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

*Aye: 2 - Karbassi, Esparza*

*Absent: 1 - Dyer*

**CITY ACTION**

- C. [ID 25-1268](#) RESOLUTION - Appoint and authorize certain Finance Officers of the City of Fresno (City) to sign City checks and various investment and commercial banking documents, and to provide verbal instruction required for the prudent financial administration and safekeeping of City funds.

*The above item was called to order at 10:07 A.M. and there was no presentation to Council. Upon call, no members of the public addressed Council. Public comment closed at 10:07 A.M.*

*There was no Council discussion.*

*RESOLUTION 2025-266 ADOPTED*

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

**Aye: 6 - Karbassi, Arias, Perea, Maxwell, Richardson and Esparza**

**Absent: 1 - Vang**

- D. [ID 25-1269](#) RESOLUTION - Consenting to and authorizing investment of monies in the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) in the custody of the State Treasurer for purposes of investment, and authorizing certain Finance Officers in connection therewith

*The above item was called to order at 10:08 A.M. and there was no presentation to Council. Upon call, no members of the public addressed Council. Public comment closed at 10:08 A.M.*



*There was no Council discussion.*

**RESOLUTION 2025-267 ADOPTED**

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

**Aye:** 6 - Karbassi, Arias, Perea, Maxwell, Richardson and Esparza

**Absent:** 1 - Vang

**9:10 A.M.**

[ID 25-1048](#) Actions pertaining to the Program Year (PY) 2024 Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) for U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Planning and Development (CPD) programs:

1. HEARING to obtain public comments regarding the PY 2024 CAPER; and
2. Adopt PY 2024 CAPER and authorize submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

*The above item was called to order at 10:08 A.M. and there was no presentation to Council. Upon call, no members of the public addressed Council. Public comment closed at 10:09 A.M.*

*There was no Council discussion.*

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

**Aye:** 6 - Karbassi, Arias, Perea, Maxwell, Richardson and Esparza

**Absent:** 1 - Vang

**9:15 A.M.**

[ID 25-664](#) HEARING to Consider adoption of the Vehicle Miles Traveled Reduction Program and Nexus Study and Vehicle Miles Traveled Mitigation Fee; and related Environmental Impact Report SCH No. 2024091129.

1. RESOLUTION - Certifying Environmental Impact Report SCH No. 2024091129, adopting Findings of Fact as required by Public Resources Code Section 21081(A) and CEQA Guidelines, Section 15091, Approving a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program

as Required by Public Resources Code Section 21081.6 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15097, Adopting the Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations as Required by Public Resources Code Section 21081(B) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15093, as Related to the Adoption of the Vehicle Miles Traveled Reduction Program and Nexus Study.

- a. ADOPT the Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15091; and
  - b. ADOPT the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15097; and
2. \*\*\*RESOLUTION - Adopting a Vehicle Miles Traveled Nexus Study, Reduction Program, and Capital Improvement Plan as described in the Vehicle Miles Traveled Reduction Program and Nexus Study document dated September 2025, prepared pursuant to the requirements of California Public Resources Code Section 21099, CEQA Guidelines Sections 15064.3(B), 15064.7, and 15126.4, and the Mitigation Fee Act (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
  - a. ADOPT the Nexus Study based on the Council's determination that the Vehicle Miles Reduction Program and Nexus Study was prepared in compliance with the Mitigation Fee Act and meets all requirements for a nexus study
  - b. ADOPT the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) based on the Council's determination that the CIP was prepared pursuant to the requirements of the Mitigation Fee Act.
  - c. ADOPT the Program inclusive of the VMT Mitigation Fee based on the Council's determination that the public facilities, services, and amenities contemplated are individually and collectively necessary to contribute to the reduction of VMT Citywide, and that the VMT Mitigation Fee is in compliance with the Mitigation Fee Act and is supported by the Nexus Study.
3. BILL (for introduction) - Adding Article 4.17 to Chapter 12 of the Fresno Municipal Code, relating to the Vehicle Miles Traveled Mitigation Fee
4. \*\*\*RESOLUTION - Adopting the 593rd Amendment to the Master Fee Schedule Resolution No. 80-420 to add a Vehicle Miles Traveled Mitigation Fee in the Planning Section for Planning and Development Department (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

*During approval of the agenda, City Clerk Stermer announced this item was continued to October 16th, 2025, at 9:15 A.M. per Staff.*

**TABLED**

**9:20 A.M. (CONTINUED TO OCTOBER 16, 2025, AT 9:20 A.M.)**

[ID 25-1150](#) HEARING to Consider Annexation Application No. P21-05778; Pre-zone Application No. P21-05870; Development Permit Application No. P23-00149; and related Environmental Assessment No. P21-05778/P21-05870/P23-00149 for ±80.91 acres of property located on the west side of South Cherry Avenue between East North and East Central Avenues (Council District 3)

1. ADOPT - Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared for Environmental Assessment No. P21-05778/P21-05870/P23-00149 dated May 22, 2025, for the proposed project pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.
2. RESOLUTION - Approving Annexation Application No. P21-05778 (for the North-Cherry No. 3b Reorganization) proposing detachment from the Kings River Conservation District and Fresno County Fire Protection District and annexation to the City of Fresno.
3. BILL - (for Introduction and Adoption) - Approving Pre-zone Application No. P21-05870, requesting authorization to amend the Official Zoning Map of the City of Fresno to pre-zone the subject property from the Fresno County AL 20 (*Limited Agricultural*) zone district (±51.72 acres) to the City of Fresno IH (*Heavy Industrial*) zone district ( ±15.95 acres) and ; and City of Fresno IH/ANX (*Heavy Industrial/Annexed Rural Residential Transitional Overlay*) zone district (±35.77 acres).
4. APPROVE - Development Permit Application No. P23-00149, requesting authorization to construct a long-term regional facility for the purpose of providing less-than-truckload freight services, subject to compliance with the Conditions of Approval dated June 18, 2025, and contingent upon approval of Annexation No. P21-05778, Pre-zone Application No. P21-05870 and the related environmental assessment.

*CONTINUED AS NOTED*

**11:00 A.M.**

[ID 25-1276](#) Appearance by Rebecca Rangel regarding “Homelessness in Fresno” (District 1 Resident)

*APPEARED*

**2. CONSENT CALENDAR**

*Upon call, for public comment on all Consent, Contested Consent and Closed Session items, no members of the public addressed Council.*

*During approval of the Consent Calendar, Council President Karbassi reregistered a NO vote for item 2-S (ID 25-1201).*

#### APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

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

**Aye:** 6 - Karbassi, Arias, Perea, Maxwell, Richardson and Esparza

**Absent:** 1 - Vang

- 2.-A.** [ID 25-1255](#) Approval of the Regular and Special Meeting Minutes for September 11, 2025

#### APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-B.** [ID 25-1237](#) Approve the appointment of Terry Burns as a Park Resident-Alternate to the MobileHome Park Rent Review and Stabilization Commission to a term ending June 30, 2028.

#### APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-D.** [ID 25-1204](#) Actions pertaining to the Butler and Eighth Trunk Sewer Repair Project (Bid File No. 12600025) (Council District 5):
1. Adopt a finding of Categorical Exemption per staff's determination, pursuant to Section 15301/Class 1 and Section 15302/Class 2 of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines for the Butler and Eighth Sewer Trunk Sewer Repair Project;
  2. Award a construction contract in the amount of \$974,912.00 to Dawson-Mauldin LLC of Selma, California, as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the Butler and Eighth Trunk Sewer Repair Project.

#### APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-E.** [ID 25-1215](#) Approve the Second Amendment to the Consultant Services Agreement with AECOM Technical Services, Inc., of Fresno, California, to increase the total contract by an amount not to exceed \$32,463.00, paid on a time and materials basis, for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$265,663.00, with a remaining contingency amount not to exceed \$20,000.00, and extend the term of the Agreement to December 31, 2028, for the engineering design services related to the Wellhead Treatment Improvements at Pump Station 101A Project. (Council District 7)

#### APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2.-F. [ID 25-1238](#) Approve for the substitution of listed Subcontractor, Safety Network Incorporated of Fresno, California, for traffic control with KRC Safety Company Incorporated of Visalia, California for the Rebid Requirements Contract to Furnish and Install Polyethylene Water Service Replacements - Year No. 2, - Project ID WC00095. (Bid File 12300617) (City Wide)

**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.-G. [ID 25-1225](#) \*\*\*RESOLUTION - Adopt the 14th Amendment to the Annual Appropriation Resolution (AAR) No. 2025-179 to appropriate \$2,465,200 in FY 2025 City Council Department operating and capital carryover and trueing up the Department of Public Works Council Infrastructure Capital Project budgeted carryover totals (Requires Five Affirmative Votes) (Subject to Mayor's Veto).

*RESOLUTION 2025-268 ADOPTED*

**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.-H. [ID 25-1236](#) Actions pertaining to American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding to Southwest Fresno Development Corporation (SWFDC)
1. Approve the Second Amendment to the Grant Agreement with SWFDC modifying the scope of services for the No Place Like Home Initiative

*During approval of the Agenda City Clerk Stermer announced this item was tabled to October 16, 2025, by Vice President Arias.*

- 2.-I. [ID 25-1251](#) Actions pertaining to Repealing the 2022 California Fire Code and Adopting of the 2025 California Fire Code with local amendments:
1. \*\*\*BILL B-39 (Introduced September 11, 2025)(For Adoption) - Adopting express findings of necessity related to local climatic, topographical, and geological conditions, which make the City's amendments to the California Fire Code reasonably necessary, repealing Article 10 of Chapter 5, and adding Article 10 to Chapter 5 of the Fresno Municipal Code relating to fire and life safety regulations (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

*ORDINANCE 2025-39 ADOPTED*

**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.-J. [ID 25-1217](#)

**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.-K. [ID 25-1241](#) Actions pertaining to the award of a Sole Source Purchase Agreement with Beam Global regarding EV ARC charging systems:
1. \*\*\*RESOLUTION - Adopt a Resolution authorizing an exception to formal bidding procedures and award of the Sole Source Purchase of seven EV ARC charging systems from Beam Global in the amount of \$638,209 (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
  2. Approve the award of a Sole Source Product Purchase Agreement to Beam Global of San Diego, California for the purchase of seven EV ARC charging systems in the amount of \$638,209 for the General Services Department
  3. Authorize the General Services Department Director or designee to execute the agreement and all related documents

*RESOLUTION 2025-264 ADOPTED*

**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.-L. [ID 25-1242](#) Approve the award of a Cooperative Purchase Agreement to Gordian Group, Inc. of Greenville, South Carolina through January 7, 2026, plus five optional one-year extensions for the continued implementation of a Job Order Contracting (JOC) program for facility repairs and maintenance, infrastructure improvements, emergency or time-sensitive work, and small and medium capital projects for Airports Department, Capital Projects Department, and the General Services Department (Bid File 9696)

**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.-M. [ID 25-1244](#) \*\*\*RESOLUTION - Adopting the 592nd Amendment to the Master Fee Schedule (MFS) Resolution No. 80-420 to add and revise Trolley Rental Fees for the General Government Section for the General Services Department (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

*RESOLUTION 2025-269 ADOPTED*

**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.-O. [ID 25-1233](#) Affirm the City Manager's finding that Support Revolution Inc. is Uniquely Qualified and approve the Third-Party Support Services Agreement with Support Revolution for PeopleSoft HRMS support for an amount not to exceed \$757,284.42

**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.-P. [ID 25-1234](#) Approve the First Amendment to the Requirements Contract with UBEO (formerly Ray Morgan Company) to extend citywide copier lease and maintenance services Contract No. 9592 through July 1, 2029, and increase the annual contract amount to \$512,600 to include additional equipment and services, for a total contract amount not to exceed

\$3,209,900.

**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.-Q. [ID 25-1094](#) Approve a Local Housing Trust Fund Assignment and Assumption Agreement between the City of Fresno, Self-Help Enterprises, and La Hacienda Mobile, LLC, for the purchase of the La Hacienda Mobile Home Park located at 104 East Sierra Avenue, Fresno, California 93710 (Council District 6)

**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.-R. [ID 25-1158](#) Approve the Fourth Amendment to the Service Agreement with Poverello House to operate Clarion Pointe as an emergency shelter for individuals experiencing homelessness. The Fourth Amendment will extend the current emergency shelter operations to December 31, 2025, in a total amount of \$562,500. This will be funded using \$536,500 from Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) program fund and \$26,000 of unexpended funds from the Encampment Resolution Fund Round 2 (ERF-2)-Village of Hope Project. (Council District 4)

**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.-S. [ID 25-1201](#) \*\*\*RESOLUTION - Amending Resolution Number 2021-201 to Update the Local Housing Trust Fund Program Guidelines (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

*During approval of the Consent Calendar, Council President Karbasi reregistered a NO vote for the above item. As such, this item was approved 5-1 by the following vote:*

*Aye: 6 - Perea, Arias, Maxwell, Richardson, Esparza*

*No: 1 - Karbassi*

*Absent: 1 - Vang*

*RESOLUTION 2025-270 ADOPTED*

**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.-T. [ID 25-1224](#) \*\*\*RESOLUTION - Repealing and Replacing Resolution 2025-70 and authorizing joint application to and participation in the Homekey+ Program with Self-Help Enterprises and La Hacienda Mobile, LLC for the La Hacienda Mobile Estates project and authorizing the City Manager or designee to sign all required implementing documents (Council District 6) (Subject to Mayors Veto)

*RESOLUTION 2025-271 ADOPTED*

**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.-U. [ID 25-1272](#) Approve a Consultant Services Agreement with LSA Associates, Inc. for environmental consulting services for the General Plan Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) in an amount not to exceed \$450,000, for a term through December 31, 2026, with two optional one-year extensions (Bid File 12600114)

**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.-V. [ID 25-1252](#) Actions relating to repealing and adding Building Regulations in the Fresno Municipal Code
1. \*\*\*BILL B-40 (Introduced September 11, 2025)(For Adoption) Repealing and Replacing Sections 11-101 Through 11-109 of Article 1, Chapter 11 of the Fresno Municipal Code, relating to the Adoption and Amendment of the 2025 Edition of the California Building Standards Code (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

**ORDINANCE 2025-40 ADOPTED****APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.-W. [ID 25-1253](#) Actions relating to repealing and reenacting Building Regulations in the Fresno Municipal Code
1. \*\*\*BILL B-41 (Introduced September 11, 2025)(For Adoption) Related to Local Climatic Topographical and Geological Conditions Repealing Article 6 Section 11-627 and Reenacting Article 6 Section 11-627 of the Fresno Municipal Code (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

**ORDINANCE 2025-41 ADOPTED****APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.-Y. [ID 25-978](#) Action pertaining to Senate Bill 1383 - California's Short-Lived Climate Pollutant Reduction Strategy (SB 1383) Local Assistance Grant Program funds:
1. Adopt a finding of Categorical Exemption pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines;
  2. Affirm the City Manager's finding that Central California Food Bank is Uniquely Qualified to perform the services outlined in the agreement; and,
  3. Approve a Service Agreement with Central California Food Bank for edible food recovery services in the amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 using Senate Bill 1383 Local Assistance Grant Program Fiscal Year 2022-23 Organic Waste Recycling funds supporting organic waste recovery. (Citywide)



**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.-Z. [ID 25-1205](#) RESOLUTION - Of Intention to Annex Final Tract Map No. 6466 as Annexation No. 159 to the City of Fresno Community Facilities District No. 11 and to Authorize the Levy of Special Taxes; and setting the public hearing for Thursday, October 30, 2025, at 9:10 am (Northeast corner of South Fordham Avenue and East Church Avenue). (Council District 5)

*RESOLUTION 2025-273 ADOPTED*

**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.-AA. [ID 25-1235](#) Approve the reappointment of Sean Zweifler to the Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC) for a term ending October 1, 2028

**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR****CONTESTED CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.-C. [ID 25-1203](#) Approve the First Amendment to the Consultant Services Agreement with Michael K. Nunley and Associates, Inc., of Fresno, California, to increase the total contract by an amount not to exceed \$158,154.00, paid on a time and materials basis, for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$467,199.00 with a remaining contingency in the amount of \$30,000.00, for the Wellhead Treatment Improvements at Pump Stations 177 and 185 Project. (Council District 6)

*Councilmember Richardson moved the above item to Contested Consent to get clarification on the cost increase.*

*Council discussion included: difference between the original \$2.89 million estimate and the revised total of \$467,199, and clarification on whether certain phases or costs were excluded; clarification that Exhibit "A" refers specifically to a carbon dioxide removal device; and, whether any of the listed pump stations have received resident complaints regarding manganese in their water pipes.*

**APPROVED**

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

**Aye:** 6 - Karbassi, Arias, Perea, Maxwell, Richardson and Esparza

**Absent:** 1 - Vang

- 2.-N.** [ID 25-1219](#) Approve the award of a Cooperative Purchase Agreement to Granicus, Inc., in the amount of \$262,458.80, for a three-year renewal of their digital software subscription used in the management of City meetings

*Councilmember Richardson Councilmember Richardson moved the above item to Contested Consent to confirm questions were answered.*

*Council discussion included: confirmation previous questions were answered and noted that any remaining discussion would take place outside the meeting.*

**APPROVED**

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

**Aye:** 6 - Karbassi, Arias, Perea, Maxwell, Richardson and Esparza

**Absent:** 1 - Vang

- 2.-X.** [ID 25-1245](#) Actions pertaining to the 2026 Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) grant:
1. Authorize the Chief of Police, or designee, to accept \$635,000 in grant funding for the 2026 STEP grant awarded to the Fresno Police Department from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) through the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS)
  2. Authorize the Chief of Police or designee to execute the agreement and all related documentation applicable to the 2026 STEP grant
  3. \*\*\*RESOLUTION - Adopting the 13th Amendment to the Annual Appropriation Resolution (AAR) No. 2025-179 to appropriate \$476,300 from the California Office of Traffic Safety for the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) (Requires Five Affirmative Votes) (Subject to Mayor's Veto).

*Council President Karbassi moved the above item to Contested Consent to discuss traffic enforcement.*

*Council discussion included: department was commended for its proactive efforts in addressing distracted driving, DUI, speeding, and street racing, particularly in Northwest Fresno; although street racing has decreased,*

*chronic speeding remains a frequent complaint; whether current operational funds, not training funds, can be used for targeted speed enforcement operations in specific corridors; and, residents often do not report speeding incidents despite frequent complaints on platforms like Nextdoor, making it difficult to collect actionable data.*

**RESOLUTION 2025-272 ADOPTED**

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

**Aye:** 6 - Karbassi, Arias, Perea, Maxwell, Richardson and Esparza

**Absent:** 1 - Vang

### **3. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**

#### **UNSCHEDULED COMMUNICATION**

*Upon call, the following members of the public addressed the Council with unscheduled communication: Pieter Friedrich, Nathan Squire, Frederick Mark Leisidsa, Danielle Vu, and Stephen Quick.*

[ID 25-1336](#) Unscheduled Communication Public Comment Received - Accepted by Council President

### **4. CITY COUNCIL**

**4.-A. [ID 25-1062](#) WORKSHOP - Presentation of Public Bank**

*The above item was presented to Council by Central Valley Urban Institute Executive Director Eric Payne, California Public Banking Alliance Executive Director Trinity Tran, and Rick Gerling.*

*There was no Council discussion.*

*Presented*

**4.-B. [ID 25-1301](#) RESOLUTION - Amending Rule 4 and 14 of the Council Rules of Procedure Related to Recess and Adjournment**

*The above item did not have a presentation to Council. Upon call, no members of the public addressed Council.*

*Council discussion included: proposed rule change would allow the presiding officer to call a recess without requiring a council vote each time, streamlining meeting operations; change would also cover unplanned recesses due to technical issues, such as audio or video feed failures; Council retains the ability to override any unilateral action by the presiding officer through a majority vote; and, in the event of a tie vote on a motion to adjourn or recess, the motion fails and the meeting continues.*

**RESOLUTION 2025-265 ADOPTED**

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

**Aye:** 6 - Karbassi, Arias, Perea, Maxwell, Richardson and Esparza

**Absent:** 1 - Vang

**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 10:36 A.M., and again at 2:08 P.M.*

**5.-A. [ID 25-1265](#)**

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS - Government Code Section 54957.6

City Negotiators: Anthony Garcia; 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, 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 Karbassi), City Attorney Investigator, City Clerk (City Negotiator, Council President Karbassi), 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, Supervising Deputy City Attorney, Veterinarian

*During open session, City Attorney Janz reported. The Fresno City Council directed the City Attorney to initiate litigation by a 4–2 vote, authorizing the filing of an unfair bargaining claim before the Public Employment Relations Board against Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1027 (ATU); Councilmembers Karbassi, Arias, Vang, and Richardson voted in favor, Councilmembers Perea and Esparza opposed, and Councilmember Maxwell was absent.*

#### *DISCUSSED*

#### **5.-B. [ID 25-1147](#)**

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - DECIDING WHETHER TO INITIATE LITIGATION

Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(4): 1 potential case

*During open session, City Attorney Janz reported. The Fresno City Council authorized litigation against the Ford Motor Vehicle Corporation by a vote of*

6–0, with Councilmembers Perea, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Richardson, and Esparza voting in favor; Councilmember Vang was absent.

*DISCUSSED*

**5.-C. [ID 25-1275](#)**

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION  
Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(1)  
Case Name: Michelle Quintero vs. City of Fresno et al.; Fresno Superior  
Court Case No. 24CECG02800

*DISCUSSED*

**5.-D. [ID 25-1298](#)**

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION  
Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(1)  
Park 7, LLC., and LandValue Management LLC., v. City of Fresno; Fresno  
Superior Court Case No. 24CECG04298

*DISCUSSED*

**5.-E. [ID 25-1304](#)**

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION -  
Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(1)  
City of Fresno v. County of Fresno; Fresno Superior Court; Case No.:  
24CECG01199

*DISCUSSED*

**5.-F. [ID 25-1287](#)**

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 Mike Karbassi.  
Unrepresented Employee: City Clerk

*DISCUSSED*

**5.-G. [ID 25-1288](#)**

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 Mike Karbassi.  
Unrepresented Employee: City Attorney

*DISCUSSED*

**ADJOURNMENT**

*The Council meeting adjourned from closed session at 2:45 P.M. in memory of former Fresno County Sheriff, Steven Magarian.*