



City of Fresno

Meeting Minutes

City Council

2600 Fresno Street

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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

Interim City Clerk - Amy K. Aller

Thursday, December 18, 2025

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.

9:42 A.M. ROLL CALL

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 Very Reverend Father Ashod Khachadourian from Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Church

Very Reverend Father Ashod Khachadourian gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Councilmember Richardson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE AGENDA

THE AGENDA WAS APPROVED WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES

9:25 A.M. (ID 25-1708) regarding to declare the results of majority protest proceedings and approve the resolution for the renewal of the

Fresno-Clovis Tourism Business Improvement District – we need to modify the language to state Approve a 5 year term beginning January 1, 2026, also modify the language to state modifying the management District plan in the accordance with a 5 year term with two optional one-year extensions. The request was made by Vice president Arias

2-Y (ID 25-1715) regarding the eighteenth amendment to the FY 2026 Salary Resolution No. 2025-177 - the staff report, resolution, and salary table will all reflect the sixteenth amendment.

2-E (ID 25-1682) regarding the Fresno Convention and Entertainment Center management services contract - the language of the sentence beginning with modify the VenuWorks agreements effective date top January 11, 2026 to remove the remainder of the sentence reading "and to request VenuWorks". Also, modify the sentence reading "modify the Legends Global Merchandise third amendment's term to end on January 10, 2026". The request was made by Vice president Arias.

3-A (ID 25-1686) regarding the award of a requirements contract to California Wood Recycling, Inc – on the staff report under the background section, the third paragraph should read: "The Department of Public Utilities Solid Waste Management Division conducted a competitive process for selecting a provider for this project. On November 12, 2025, a formal bid for product requirements contract was published and advertised on the City's PlanetBids website. On November 21, 2025, seven proposals were received. California Wood Recycling, Inc. dba Agromin was the lowest responsive and responsible bidder". Also, replacing Local preference to read: "Local preference was applicable but did not change the outcome of the bid".

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA

9:20 A.M. (ID 25-1641) regarding the Southeast Development Area (SEDA) – tabled with no return by Councilmember Vang

2-MM (ID 25-1719) regarding amending the Transparency Act relating to Charter Officials appointed by the Mayor and City Council – tabled to

January 15th, 2026, by Council President Karbassi

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

2-C (ID 25-1700) regarding the amendment of various ordinances – was moved to contested consent by Councilmember Richardson

2-E (ID 25-1682) regarding the Fresno Convention and Entertainment Center Management Services contract - was moved to contested consent by Councilmember Richardson

2-Q (ID 25-1671) regarding an increase to the citywide security services Requirements Contract with Universal Protection Services – was moved to the contested consent by Councilmember Perea and Council President Karbassi

2-U (ID 25-1680) regarding authorizing the City Manager or designee to apply for and accept up to \$500,000 from Fresno Unified School District to Fund Blue Space Aquatics Programming - was moved to contested consent by Councilmember Richardson

2-Y (ID 25-1517) regarding the eighteenth amendment to the FY 2026 Salary Resolution No. 2025-177, amending Exhibit 8, Unit 8 – was moved to contested consent by Council President Karbassi

2-BB (ID 25-1677) regarding the Fresno Police Department's technology contract with Axon Enterprises, Inc.- was moved to contested consent by Councilmember Richardson

2-CC (ID 25-1685) regarding repealing Section 10-812 of the Fresno Municipal Code, relating to conditions on Police Response to Public Safety alarm systems – was moved to contested consent by Vice President Arias and Councilmember Richardson

2-DD (ID 25-1690) regarding the Fresno Police Department Air Support Unit “Skywatch” - was moved to contested consent by Councilmember

Richardson

On motion of Council President Karbassi to keep the 9:20 A.M. (ID 25-1641) item on the agenda, seconded by Councilmember Maxwell, the above item was Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Perea, Karbassi, Maxwell, Richardson, Esparza

No: 2 - Arias, Vang

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

No: 1 - Vang

CEREMONIAL PRESENTATIONS

ID 25-819 Fresno Animal Center presents "Pet of the Month"

PRESENTED

ID 25-1621 Proclamation of "International Migrants Day"

PRESENTED

ID 25-1716 Proclamation of "The Hmong Inc."

PRESENTED

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Councilmember Maxwell Reports and Comments. Reported a busy two week period that included multiple tours and community events. Casita Feliz, a new Tower District nonprofit serving LGBTQ residents, was highlighted for its programs and recent grant support. Attended a ribbon cutting for the new Hyatt House at Campus Point, noted as an economic asset and new lodging option near Fresno State. Hosted a Block Captain Appreciation event at City Hall with approximately 40 block captains and their families. Noted the growing popularity of pickleball, including the construction of a new court at Vinland Park and a donation of equipment to the Fresno Area Pickleball group. Toured the Historical Society archives, now relocating downtown, and noted an upcoming press conference

regarding newly unearthed historical artifacts. The Fresno Yosemite International Airport terminal expansion was announced, adding two new gates as part of the largest Public Works investment of the century and is already accommodating flights. Hosted a holiday book drive at Club One Casino, collecting nearly 1,000 books to support early grade literacy efforts connected to the Dolly Parton Imagination Library initiative. Gave holiday well wishes.

Councilmember Vang Reports and Comments. Thanked Familias En Acción for the invitation to the Posada event, where approximately 200 toys were distributed to children in Southeast Fresno. Attended the annual Fire Department luncheon and expressed appreciation to the firefighters and personnel who organized it. Announced the Southeast Policing District's "Christmas at the Southeast Pole" event was scheduled for that evening at the Farber Education Campus. Reported that the new traffic signal at the Farber Education Center intersection had been activated within the past 24 hours through coordination among the District 5 Council office, Public Works, Fresno Unified, and PG&E. Announce the upcoming Hmong New Year celebration scheduled for December 26–29, 2025 at the Fresno Fairgrounds, where District 5 will host a booth. Concluded by noting this was the final council meeting of the year and offered holiday greetings.

Councilmember Perea Reports and Comments. Reported that partnerships with Guadalajara Restaurant and Casa de Tamales had enabled the distribution of more than 5,000 tamales to families throughout Fresno. Noted a collaboration with Shine 4 Education, where over 500 pairs of shoes were provided to children at Lowell Elementary School. Expressed appreciation for local organizational partners and community members whose contributions of time and resources made these efforts possible.

Councilmember Richardson Reports and Comments. Reported the fourth quarterly Town Hall was held on December 8, 2025, and was well attended. Recognition was given to veteran David Fusinato, who served in the final battle of World War II on Okinawa and was turning 100 while continuing to volunteer at the Veterans Memorial Auditorium. Announced the Northeast Policing District's Christmas party had significantly expanded from the prior year, growing from about 14 families to lines out the door and provided

socks, toys, wheel lock devices, and other resources to local families.

Reported participating the previous morning in an early morning event at Target with police and first responders to purchase Christmas gifts, which were later wrapped by Minarets High School students and delivered to pre kindergarten classes in the southern part of the district. Concluded with holiday acknowledgments.

Councilmember Esparza Reports and Comments. Reported that a groundbreaking had taken place the previous week for the revitalization of Radio Park, a \$10.6 million project funded in part by a Prop 68 grant and supported through collaboration among the PARCS Department, the administration, the state, and local residents. Planned improvements included a splash pad, amphitheater, new play structures, and major infrastructure upgrades such as improved sidewalks and bus stops.

Reported attending the annual Ramona Block Party, noting strong neighborhood participation, seasonal activities, and gifts for children.

Attended the ribbon cutting for the new airport terminal expansion, which had remained on schedule since breaking ground in fall 2023 and opened before the end of 2025. An invitation was extended for the upcoming Central Policing District "Christmas is Coming Community Event" at Manchester Center, which includes resource booths and photos with Santa. Concluded with holiday well wishes.

Vice President Arias Reports and Comments. Reported that approximately 25,000 people had attended this year's Christmas parade, the first held in the evening in generations, and noted strong positive feedback from local businesses and residents regarding its organization. Announced the ice rink at Mariposa Village would remain open until January 9, 2025, and the annual Posada would be held there the following night. Thanked the City Manager and the PARCS Department for enabling children from a local center to visit the ice rink, with additional free access planned for families throughout the week. Upcoming downtown projects were referenced. Noted significant year end agenda items, including efforts related to Measure "C", and expressed appreciation for staff and department heads for their work and responsiveness. Concluded with holiday well wishes.

Council President Karbassi Reports and Comments. Reported giving

recognition to Captain Jordan Beckford and Northwest Fresno Police staff for decorating the Northwest Police Station, and noted participation in the “Shop with a Cop” event, where officers and chaplaincy partners used donated funds to purchase gifts for children, including students at Pinedale Elementary. Announced two community meetings held in recent weeks: one with residents concerned about planned improvements at the Milburn Overlook, a project scheduled for completion in May, and another with residents near Tatarian Elementary to discuss traffic mitigation efforts, resulting in a resident supported pilot program. Announced the retirement of longtime City employee Lupe Perez after more than 25 years of service. The passing of Vinnie Giannetta, previously recognized as District Two’s “Dog of the Year,” was also reported, with condolences extended to the Giannetta family. Acknowledged a recent attack at Bondi Beach in Australia in which ten people celebrating Hanukkah were killed and requested that the meeting be adjourned in their memory. Concluded with holiday greetings to the community.

MAYOR/MANAGER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Mayor Dyer Reports and Comments. Reported that the downtown ice rink adjacent to Mariposa Plaza had continued to draw hundreds of visitors daily and that more than \$250,000 in donations, including \$45,000 from the city, to support the event. Noted participation with Councilmember Arias in the groundbreaking of a new eight story parking garage funded through a \$43.7 million state IIGC grant and a \$250 million state award, with the design modeled after the historic Carnegie Library. Reported attending the ribbon cutting for the new airport terminal expansion, which included two dual use gates, new restaurants, murals created in partnership with the Cultural Arts District, and preparations for a future dedication honoring former Airports Director Henry Thompson. The recent Christmas parade was highlighted as a major success, drawing approximately 25,000 attendees. Participated with Councilmember Perea in Amazon’s “Proud of My Parents” tour. Noted that the Fresno Council of Governments (Fresno COG) meeting scheduled for that evening would address the final phase of Measure “C” renewal implementation guidelines, a step toward placing the measure on the November 2026 ballot, with projected revenues of \$7.3–\$7.4 billion over 30 years for transportation and infrastructure needs. Concluded with holiday greetings.

City Manager White Reports and Comments. Reported that the City partnered with the Fresno Area Hispanic Foundation to take youth from all City centers to the Mariposa Winter Village ice rink. Children from centers including Mosqueda, Inspiration, Fink White, Cap Center, El Dorado, Romain, Holmes, Quigley, Sunset, Einstein, Lafayette, Melody, Highway City, Pinedale, Frank H. Ball, Maxie Parks, Mary Ella Brown, Dicky, and Ted C. Wills participated. Each child had a one-hour skating session with skating guides and were provided gloves and socks. This partnership allowed youth who might not otherwise have had the opportunity to enjoy the event. Congratulations were extended to Lupe Perez, known as "Downtown Lupe," for her years of service and commitment to downtown Fresno. Appreciation expressed for the hard work and dedication of city employees, including those in Police, Fire, Solid Waste, Public Works, Public Utilities, and Transportation, who continued working through the holidays. A Merry Christmas greeting was offered to all, with a note that the Council would reconvene in the new year.

1. SCHEDULED COUNCIL HEARINGS AND MATTERS

9:10 A.M.

[ID 25-1672](#) HEARING to Vacate two portions of City-owned right of way located at the eastern intersection of Tuolumne Street and Fulton Street, and the southern intersection of Tuolumne Street and Van Ness Avenue (Council District 3):

1. ***RESOLUTION - Vacate two portions of City-owned right of way located at the eastern intersection of Tuolumne Street and Fulton Street, and the southern intersection of Tuolumne Street and Van Ness Avenue. (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

The above item was called to order at 11:12 A.M. and there was no presentation to Council. Upon call, no members of the public addressed Council. Public comment closed at 11:13 A.M.

There was no Council Discussion.

RESOLUTION 2025-350 ADOPTED

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

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

9:15 A.M.

ID 25-1577 HEARING to consider Annexation Application No. P23-00446, Pre-zone Application No. P23-00449, Development Permit No. P23-00702 and the related Environmental Assessment No. P23-00446/P23-00449/P23-00702 for approximately 10.55 acres of property generally located on the southwest corner of East Nees and North Willow Avenues (Council District 6)

1. ADOPT Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared for Environmental Assessment No. P23-00446/P23 00449/P23-00702 dated October 31, 2025 for the proposed project pursuant to Sections 15070 and 15074 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.
2. RESOLUTION - Authorizing the City Manager or his/her designee to initiate the Annexation of the "Nees-Willow No. 3b Reorganization" with the Fresno Local Agency Formation Commission ("LAFCo").
3. BILL - (for Introduction and Adoption) - Amending the official zoning map as described by Section 15-108 of the Fresno Municipal Code, and pursuant to the procedures set forth in Article 58, Chapter 15 of the Fresno Municipal Code.
4. APPROVE - Development Permit No. P23-00702 which proposes to construct two (2) ±11,160 square-foot buildings and one (1) ± 11,780 square-foot building to be utilized for medical, dental, and/or professional offices.

The above item was called to order at 11:14 A.M. and there was no presentation to Council. Upon call, no members of the public addressed Council. Public comment closed at 11:16 A.M.

Council discussion was held.

RESOLUTION 2025-351 ADOPTED

BILL B-62 INTRODUCED / ORDINANCE 2025-62 ADOPTED

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

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

9:20 A.M. (TO BE HEARD AT 4:30 P.M.)**ID 25-1641**

Actions pertaining to the Southeast Development Area (SEDA):

HEARING to consider the adoption of the Southeast Development Area Specific Plan and related Final Environmental Impact Report, State Clearinghouse (SCH No. 2022020486). The following applications have been filed by the City of Fresno and pertain to approximately 9,000 acres in the Development Area-3 Southeast and Development Area-4 East:

1. RESOLUTION - Certifying Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR SCH No. 2022020486), for the Southeast Development Area Specific Plan.
 - a. ADOPT Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations prepared pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15091; and
 - b. APPROVE a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) as required by Public Resources Code Section 21081.6 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15097 (See Exhibit S).
2. ***RESOLUTION - to Adopt the Southeast Development Area Specific Plan and accompanying Proposed Land Use Map (see Exhibits J and K) (Plan Amendment Application No. P23-03090) (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
3. RESOLUTION - Updating the Land Use Map (Figure LU-1), the Dual Designation Map (Figure LU-2) and text of the Fresno General Plan to incorporate the Southeast Development Area Specific Plan (see Exhibits I and N) (Plan Amendment Application No. P23-03091).
4. RESOLUTION - Authorizing the Planning and Development Department Director or their designee to update the text, policies, maps, tables, and exhibits contained in the Southeast Development Area Specific Plan document to reflect final action taken by Council, to the extent that such updates are necessary to maintain consistency. (see Exhibit G).
5. Select an alternative described in the EIR and direct staff to: a) prepare an updated SEDA land use map reflecting the selected alternative; b) confirm that the selected alternative is within the scope of the EIR; c) prepare a financial analysis for the plan; d) make any other minor updates to the plan necessary to accommodate the selected alternative; and e) return to Council for consideration.

The above item was called to order at 5:29 PM and was presented to

Council by Mayor Dyer, and Planning and Development Director Clark.

Upon call, the following members of the public addressed Council: Lilia

Becerril, Fernanda Tortoledo, Mark Reitz, Chris Rocha, Esther Carver, Keith Bergthold, Dee Barnes, Daniel Moreno, Von Grazier Balanon, Rhonda Dueck, Brett Thompson, Steve Sacks, Michael Matthew, Sandy Sandberg, Dr. Carol Bloesser, Reverend Tim Kutzmark, Daniel O'connell, Nathaniel Garza, Roberto Figureoa Novo, Lyle Nelson, David Ramming, Helen Ramming, Kellen Habib, Will Youpel, Alfred Aldrete, Cheng Yang, Manuel Bonilla, Cathye Estes, Naindeep Singh, Jose Leon Barraza, Antonio Lopez, Jon Bath, Jessie Kanter, Nicholas Andritch, Jim Marshall, Dillon Savory, Betty jo Giocalone, Marisa Rodriguez, Robert L., Simon Biasell, Aaron Hightower, Gabriel Lozano, Debbie Nard, Jackie Holmes, Brandi N., Luke Pretz, Daniel Brannick, Aisha Allen, Christina Soto, Patience Milrod, Dez Martinez, Rick Cummings, Nikki Real, Jennifer Waite, and Shelly Spencer. Public comment closed at 10:09 P.M.

Council discussion was held.

During approval of the agenda, Interim City Clerk Aller announced the 9:20 A.M. (ID 25-1641) item regarding the Southeast Development Area (SEDA) – was tabled with no return by Councilmember Vang

On motion of Council President Karbassi to keep the 9:20 A.M. (ID 25-1641) item on the agenda, seconded by Councilmember Maxwell. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Perea, Karbassi, Maxwell, Richardson, Esparza

No: 2 - Arias, Vang

Council President Karbassi motioned to follow staff's recommendation not to approve items 1 through 4, and send them back to staff, not certifying any EIR, and adopt the staff recommendation, provide direction to conduct a fiscal analysis and other appropriate analysis, and support the consolidated business park alternative that was presented. The motion FAILED due to no second.

Council President Karbassi motioned to refer Items 1 through 4 back to staff and to direct staff to conduct a fiscal and other needed analyses for the Consolidated Business Park Alternative with the additional amendments by

Councilmember Esparza:

- *Environmentally superior, consolidated business park alternative.*
- *Buffering Lone Star elementary with public institution zoning*
- *Bifurcated cost estimates for 1S South SEDA & the residential portion of 1N*
- *Variety of financing options for 1S*
- *Financing options for residential that include absolutely zero city funding, including no bonding.*
- *Pursue adding policy language to the specific plan that allows ministerial approval for the use in South SEDA 1S only, which is all flexible research & development.*
- *Creation of CFD(s) so that development is self-supporting*
- *Exploration of creating a new EIFD or amending the current Fresno EIFD, to include 1S ONLY. So that the value of the property taxes created in this jobs district will directly feed dollars into downtown and the Blackstone corridor.*
- *Explore BOTH the farmland conservation overlay for the balance that isn't 1S and residential, and a 3-pronged requirement phasing option that looks like:*
 - *Requirement 1: 75% of the residential land is developed before the city could permit the next phase; AND*
 - *Requirement 2: A provision that establishes a reasonable net jobs/housing ratio that must be met before the city could permit the next phase, AND*
 - *Requirement 3: Property tax revenue requirements that could cover a to-be-determined percentage of the infrastructure costs associated with the next phase. Even though we will not have the legal ability to finance the infrastructure.*
- *Language for a ballot measure codifies these requirements & that prohibits financing of ANY kind, meaning no city dollars can be spent including bonding, anywhere outside of South SEDA 1S.*

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

Aye: 5 - Karbassi, Perea, Maxwell, Richardson and Esparza

No: 2 - Arias and Vang

9:25 A.M.

[ID 25-1708](#) HEARING to declare the results of majority protest proceedings and approve the Resolution for the renewal of the Fresno-Clovis Tourism Business Improvement District.

1. ***RESOLUTION - Declaring results of the majority protest proceedings and renewing the Fresno Clovis Tourism Business District (FCTBID). (Subject to Mayors Veto)

During approval of the agenda, Interim City Clerk Aller announced we need to modify the language to state approve a 5 year term beginning January 1, 2026 – also modify the language to state modifying the management District plan in the accordance with a 5 year term with two optional one-year extensions - these requests was made by Vice president Arias

The above item was called to order at 2:07 P.M. and was presented to Council by Controller Danisi. Upon call, the following members of the public addressed Council: Pal Leffler, Brandy Ramos Nakito, Cody Johnson, Vicky Calderon, and Terry Skoda. Public comment closed at 2:20 P.M.

Council discussion was held.

RESOLUTION 2025-352 ADOPTED

Vice President Arias motioned to amend the original motion to (1) renew the term for ten years, (2) modify the management plan to require the Bureau to include the activities listed in Government Code Section 36606, and (3) direct city staff to work with the district to bring back an agreement that includes a provision stating that if the bylaws of the entity change such that the City of Fresno is not represented on the governing body, the agreement shall be void.

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

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

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: Zara Marin (2-C), Brandi N. (2-C), Bob McCloskey (2-C), Pedro Martinez (2-C), Dee Barns (2-CC), Nikki Real (2-C), and Brunette (2-K, 2-AA, 2-GG).

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

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

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

2.-A. [ID 25-1703](#) Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes for December 4, 2025.

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-B. [ID 25-1659](#) Approval of City Council Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2026.

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-D. [ID 25-1679](#) Actions pertaining to the expansion of the Criminal and Special Prosecutions Unit in the City Attorney's Office:

***RESOLUTION - Adopt the Second Amendment to the Position Authorization Resolution ("PAR") No. 2025-178, adding one full-time Senior Paralegal and one full-time City Attorney Investigator positions in the City Attorney's Office. (Subject to Mayor's Veto).

RESOLUTION 2025-353 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-F. [ID 25-1725](#) Actions pertaining to the Fresno Yosemite International Airport Air Traffic Control Placement Project

1. RESOLUTION - Certifying Final Environmental Impact Report (SCH No. 2024030739), as related to the Airport Air Traffic Control Tower Replacement at Fresno Yosemite International Airport

- a. ADOPT Findings of Facts as required by Public Resources Code Section 21081(A) and CEQA Guidelines, Section 15091; and
- b. APPROVE a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program as required by Public Resources Code Section 21081.6 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15097; and
- c. ADOPT the Findings and Fact and Statement of Overriding

Considerations as required by Public Resources Code Section 21081(B) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15093.

2. ***RESOLUTION - Authorizing the Director of Aviation or other authorized representative to execute all implicated documentation for pre-application and application to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for Airport Terminal Program (ATP) for Federal Fiscal Year 2026 for the Fresno Yosemite International Airport (FAT) to upgrade, modernize, and rebuild the Air Traffic Control Tower. (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

RESOLUTION 2025-349 ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2025-348 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-G. [ID 25-1664](#) Actions pertaining to Job Order Contracting for the Airports Department projects for a term of three years with two one-year optional extensions (Bid File 12600201) (District 4, District 3):

1. Award a Job Order Contracting contract for general engineering with Yarbs Grading & Paving Inc. of Fowler, California in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 for a period of three years;
2. Award a Job Order Contracting contract for general engineering with Terra West Construction, Inc. of Clovis, California in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 for a period of three years;
3. Award a Job Order Contracting contract for general building construction with Puma Construction of Fresno, California in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 for a period of three years;
4. Award a Job Order Contracting contract for general building construction with Ardent General, Inc. of Fresno, California in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 for a period of three years;
5. Award a Job Order Contracting contract for Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning (HVAC) Construction with ACCO Engineered Systems, Inc. of Fresno, California in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 for a period of three years;
6. Award a Job Order Contracting contract for Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning (HVAC) Construction with Strategic Mechanical Inc. of Fresno, California in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 for a period of three years;
7. Award a Job Order Contracting contract for Electrical Construction with A-C Electric Company of Fresno, California in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 for a period of three years; and
8. Award a Job Order Contracting contract for Low Voltage Systems with Alpha Omega Data Solutions, Inc. of Los Banos, California in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 for a period of three years.

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-H. ID 25-1655 Actions pertaining to the Infill Infrastructure Grant Catalytic Downtown Water and Sewer Improvements Project (Bid File 12600298) (Council District 3):

1. Adopt an Initial Study - Mitigated Negative Declaration as prepared for SCH 2025100590 dated October 14, 2025, for the Infill Infrastructure Grant Catalytic Downtown Water and Sewer Improvements Project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines;
2. ***RESOLUTION - Adopting the 23rd Amendment to the Annual Appropriation Resolution No. 2025-179 appropriating \$2,770,200.00 for the Infill Infrastructure Grant Catalytic Downtown Water and Sewer Improvements Project (Requires 5 Affirmative Votes) (Subject to Mayor's Veto);
3. Award a construction contract in the amount of \$23,550,277.49, for the Base Bid plus all four (4) Add Alternates, to Katch Environmental, Inc. dba Katch General of Fresno, California as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the Infill Infrastructure Grant Catalytic Downtown Water and Sewer Improvements Project.

RESOLUTION 2025-354 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-I. ID 25-1661 Actions pertaining to the Parking Automation and Video Surveillance Project (Council District 3):

1. Adopt a finding of Categorical Exemption per staff's determinations, pursuant to Section 15301/Class 1 of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Environmental Assessment No. PS00012, for the Convention Center Garage project location;
2. Adopt a finding of Categorical Exemption per staff's determinations, pursuant to Section 15301/Class 1 of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Environmental Assessment No. PS00012, for the Underground Garage project location;
3. Adopt a finding of Categorical Exemption per staff's determinations, pursuant to Section 15301/Class 1 of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Environmental Assessment No. PS00012, for the Spiral Garage project location;
4. ***RESOLUTION - Adopt the 12th Amendment to the Annual Appropriation Resolution No. 2025-179 appropriating \$1,980,000.00 for the Parking Automation and Video Surveillance Project (Requires 5 Affirmative Votes) (Subject to Mayor's Veto);
5. Approve Design-Build Contract Amendment No.1 for Phase Two of a Progressive Design-Build Agreement with Swinerton Builders of Sacramento, California, to provide design and construction services related to the Parking Automation and Video Surveillance Project in an amount not to exceed \$2,287,859.00, bringing the total contract

amount to \$2,889,380.00.

RESOLUTION 2025-355 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-J. [ID 25-1600](#) Actions pertaining to the Police Department Headquarters Renovation Project (Council District 3):

1. ***RESOLUTION - Adopting the 30th Amendment to the Annual Appropriations Resolution No. 2025-179 appropriating \$12,000,000 for the Police Department Headquarters Renovation Project (Requires 5 Affirmative Votes) (Subject to Mayor's Veto);
2. Approve a Consultant Services Agreement with LPAS, Inc. of Sacramento, California in the amount of \$1,250,000.00, with a contingency amount not to exceed \$100,000.00, for the design and preparation of construction documents for the Police Department Headquarters Renovation Project.

RESOLUTION 2025-356 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-K. [ID 25-1627](#) Approve the Third Amendment to the Consultant Services Agreement with Ericsson-Grant, Inc., of Fresno, California, to increase the total contract by an amount not to exceed \$27,395.00, paid on a time and materials basis and add an additional contingency amount not to exceed \$5,000.00, for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$61,665.00 paid on a time and materials basis, and a revised contingency amount not to exceed \$20,000.00, and extend the term of the agreement to December 31, 2027, for the California Environmental Quality Act Environmental Assessment for the Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility Natural Gas Pipeline Project. (Council District 3)

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-L. [ID 25-1643](#) Approve Contract Change Order No. 02 with Emmett's Excavation Incorporated of Clovis, California in the amount of \$0.00 with one hundred twenty-three (123) additional working days for the Sewer Rehab Improvements in the Area Bound by Shields, Dakota, Fruit, and Palm Avenues Project - Bid File No. 12302877. (Council District 1)

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-M. [ID 25-1619](#) Approve a Treasury Investment Management Software Service Contract with Emphasys Computer Solutions, Inc. for a four-year term in an amount not to exceed \$163,165, with three (3) optional one (1) year extensions each not to exceed \$48,500 annually (Bid File No. 12501002)

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-N. [ID 25-1681](#) Submission and Acceptance of the City of Fresno Clean and Safe Neighborhood Parks Tax (Measure P) Report for Fiscal Year 2025.

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-O. [ID 25-1610](#)

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-P. [ID 25-1624](#)

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-R. [ID 25-1675](#)

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-S. [ID 25-1676](#) Approve the award of a Cooperative Purchase Agreement to Mythics, LLC., in the amount of \$6,383,482.16, for an upgrade of existing PeopleSoft HCM (HR and Payroll) software which includes upgrade services, cloud application hosting, software licensing, and support for five years

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-T. [ID 25-1673](#) ***RESOLUTION - Authorizing the City Manager or Designee to Apply for and Accept a Grant of up to \$450,000 from the State of California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) to Fund Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Programming (Citywide) (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

RESOLUTION 2025-357 ADOPTED**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

2.-V. [ID 25-1687](#) ***RESOLUTION - Authorizing the City Manager or Designee to Apply for and Accept a Grant of up to \$100,000 from the Trust for Public Land to Fund Movies in the Park Events in Summer 2026 and to Support Community Gardens (Citywide) (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

RESOLUTION 2025-359 ADOPTED**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

2.-W. [ID 25-1709](#) Actions Pertaining to a Grant Agreement with Storyland and Playland, Inc. for the Fresno Storyland Improvements Project (District 3):

1. Adopt a finding of Categorical Exemption pursuant to Section 15301/Class 1 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

Guidelines.

2. Approve a two-year Grant Agreement for \$1,000,000 to Storyland and Playland, Inc. for improvements.

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-X. [ID 25-1678](#) ***RESOLUTION - Adopt the Seventeenth Amendment to the FY 2026 Salary Resolution No. 2025-177 amending Exhibit 3, Unit 3, Non-Supervisory White Collar (FCEA), by adding the new classification of Airports Systems Technician and the respective salary step plan range of \$5,677 - \$6,897 monthly, and adding the new classification of Transit Scheduler Technician and the respective salary step plan range of \$5,718 - \$6,876, effective December 22, 2025 (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

RESOLUTION 2025-360 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-Z. [ID 25-1486](#) Actions pertaining to Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Non-Profit Public Services activities in accordance with the 2025-2026 Annual Action Plan

1. Approve the agreement between the City of Fresno and Poverello House in the amount of \$163,000 for the Culinary Workforce Development Program through June 30, 2026.
2. Approve the agreement between the City of Fresno and Boys and Girls Clubs of Fresno County in the amount of \$37,000 for the Educate and Inspire Fresno Youth Program through June 30, 2026.

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-AA. [ID 25-1713](#) ***RESOLUTION - Adopting the 29th Amendment to the Annual Appropriations Resolution (AAR) No. 2025-179 to appropriate \$5,000,000 in Downtown Fresno and Chinatown Infrastructure Grant funding (Requires 5 Affirmative Votes) (Subject to Mayor's Veto).

RESOLUTION 2025-362 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-EE. [ID 25-1674](#) Actions pertaining to receiving Unreleased Restoration Flows from Millerton Lake:

1. Adopt a finding of statutory exemption pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15282(u).
2. ***RESOLUTION - Authorizing the Director of Public Utilities to Execute a Sales Agreement for the future Sale of Unreleased Restoration Flows with the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, and to Purchase Unreleased Restoration Flows from Millerton Lake through February 29, 2028, at Prices to

be Determined by the Bureau of Reclamation in Accordance with the Sales Agreement. (Citywide) (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

RESOLUTION 2025-365 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-FF. [ID 25-1584](#) Annual Review and Acceptance of the FY 2025 Summary of Impact Fee Waivers.

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-GG. [ID 25-1701](#) ***BILL B-61 (Introduced December 4, 2025) (For Adoption) Amending Fresno Municipal Code Sections 14-310 through 14-312, 14-811, 14-812, 14-1706, and 14-1707, related to bikeways and bicycle regulations (Citywide). (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

ORDINANCE 2025-61 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-HH. [ID 25-1662](#) Actions pertaining to the widening of South Temperance Avenue:

1. Adoption of Environmental Assessment No. 11072 dated December 18, 2025, an Addendum to Environmental Assessment No. R-05-84/T-5531/C-05-218, in accordance with Sections 15162 and 15164 of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines; and
2. Approval of Engineering Cost Reimbursement Agreement with San Joaquin Valley Railroad Company in the amount of \$147,449.00 (Council District 5)

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-II. [ID 25-1667](#) RESOLUTION - Adopting the 28th Amendment to the Annual Appropriation Resolution No. 2025-179 to appropriate \$674,200 for new capital improvement projects in the Public Works Department (Council Districts 2, 4, 6, 7). (Requires 5 Affirmative Votes) (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

RESOLUTION 2025-366 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-JJ. [ID 25-1668](#) RESOLUTION - Approving the Final Map of Tract No. 6437, and accepting dedicated public uses offered therein except for dedications offered subject to City acceptance of developer installed required improvements - located on the west side of North Portofino Drive between East Copper Avenue and North Alicante Drive. (Council District 6)

RESOLUTION 2025-367 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-KK. [ID 25-1689](#) RESOLUTION - Dedicating a portion of City-owned property for public utility purposes to accommodate the construction of an underground utility within Roeding Park adjacent to State Route 99. (Council District 3)

RESOLUTION 2025-368 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-LL. [ID 25-1658](#) RESOLUTION - Dedicating portions of City-owned property for public utility purposes on the north side of West Dakota Avenue for the new Dolores Huerta Park (Council District 1)

RESOLUTION 2025-369 ADOPTED

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

2. [ID 25-1719](#) ***RESOLUTION - Amending the Transparency Act relating to Charter Officials appointed by the Mayor and City Council. (Subject to Veto)

During approval of the agenda, Interim City Clerk Aller announced this item was tabled to January 15, 2026, by Council President Karbassi.

TABLED

CONTESTED CONSENT CALENDAR

2.-C. [ID 25-1700](#) Actions pertaining to the amendment of various ordinances:

1. ***BILL B-56 (Introduced December 4, 2025) (For Adoption) - Amending Chapter 9 Article 31 Section 9-3104 of the Fresno Municipal Code, relating unlawful possession and abandonment of carts (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
2. ***BILL B-57 (Introduced December 4, 2025) (For Adoption) - Amending Chapter 9 Article 25 Section 9-2507 of the Fresno Municipal Code relating to exposure of minors to tobacco products (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
3. ***BILL B-58 (Introduced December 4, 2025) (For Adoption) - Amending Sections 10-2101 of the Fresno Municipal Code relating to the prohibition of camping in public places (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
4. ***BILL B-59 (Introduced December 4, 2025) (For Adoption) -Adding Chapter 9, Article 37 of the Fresno Municipal Code, Relating to unauthorized possession and use of a City, an Authorized Cart/Bin Collection Agent, or Authorized Roll-Off Collector owned trash containers (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
5. ***BILL B-60 (Introduced December 4, 2025) (For Adoption) - Adding Chapter 9, Article 38 of the Fresno Municipal Code, Relating to criminal

prosecution of wage theft (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

Councilmember Richardson moved the above item to Contested Consent to discuss the proposed changes.

Council discussion was held.

ORDINANCE 2025-56 ADOPTED

ORDINANCE 2025-57 ADOPTED

ORDINANCE 2025-58 ADOPTED

ORDINANCE 2025-59 ADOPTED

ORDINANCE 2025-60 ADOPTED

On motion of Councilmember Richardson to approve all parts of the item except number 3, number 3 would return January 29, 2026, seconded by Council President Karbassi, that the above Action Item be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

On motion of Vice President Arias to reconsider the item, seconded by Councilmember Maxwell. As such, this action was approved 7-0 by the following vote:

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

On motion of Vice President Arias to approve Bill B-58 / Ordinance 2025-58 with a revision that eliminates from subsection "C" sit, lie, sleep, or.

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

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

No: 1 - Richardson

2.-E. ID 25-1682 Actions Pertaining to the Fresno Convention and Entertainment Center Management Services Contract:

1. Approve a three-year contract with two optional one-year extensions for Management Services of the Fresno Convention and

Entertainment Center with VenuWorks of Fresno LLC., for an annual Base Management Fee of \$180,000, subject to annual CPI increases not-to-exceed 2.8%, plus a Variable Management Fee of 3% of Net Revenues estimated annually at \$137,324, subject to a limited financial performance guarantee, for total annual estimated contract value of \$317,324 (Bid File 12600327) (Council District 3)

2. Approve the Third Amendment to the 2020 Convention Center Management Agreement between the City and ASM Global Fresno, LLC., now known as Legends Global Merchandise LLC., extending the contract term to January 31, 2026.
3. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to Sign the Contracts on Behalf of the City of Fresno (City)

During approval of the agenda, Interim City Clerk Aller announced the language of the sentence beginning with modify the VenuWorks agreements effective date top January 11, 2026 to remove the remainder of the sentence reading “and to request VenuWorks. Also, modify the sentence reading modify the Legends Global Merchandise third amendment’s term to end on January 10, 2026. These requests were made by Vice president Arias.

Councilmember Richardson moved the above item to Contested Consent to make a motion to approve the item.

Council discussion was held.

APPROVED

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

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

2.-Q. ID 25-1671 Approve an increase to the citywide security services Requirements Contract with Universal Protection Services, LP dba Allied Universal Services of Fresno, California in the total amount of \$2,095,000 per year, for a revised total annual amount not-to-exceed \$5,595,000 for the remainder of the contract term plus annual CPI adjustments, to provide security for the Sequoia Brewery property through the close of escrow, provide security services of parking facilities beginning January 2026 for the Planning and Development Department and provide security services for the Department of Transportation/FAX (Bid File 9686)

Councilmember Perea and Council President Karbassi moved the above item to Contested Consent to discuss the changes in the contract.

Council discussion was held.

APPROVED

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

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

Absent: 1 - Richardson

2.-U. ID 25-1680 ***RESOLUTION - Authorizing the City Manager or Designee to Apply for and Accept up to \$500,000 from Fresno Unified School District to Fund Blue Space Aquatics Programming at up to Seven High Schools and up to Four City of Fresno Pool Locations During Summer 2026 (Citywide) (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

Councilmember Richardson moved the above item to Contested Consent to discuss fee on subsequent swimming classes for kids.

Council discussion was held.

RESOLUTION 2025-358 ADOPTED

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

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

2.-Y. ID 25-1715 ***RESOLUTION - Adopt the Eighteenth Amendment to the FY 2026 Salary Resolution No. 2025-177, amending Exhibit 8, Unit 8, Non-Represented to increase the salary range for impacted classifications in accordance with the increase in California minimum wage, effective January 1, 2026 (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

During approval of the agenda, Interim City Clerk Aller announced the staff report, resolution, and salary table will all reflect the sixteenth amendment.

Council President Karbassi moved the above item to Contested Consent,

but got his questions answered prior to the item being heard.

There was no Council Discussion.

RESOLUTION 2025-361 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, Vang and Esparza

Absent: 1 - Richardson

2.-BB. ID 25-1677

Actions pertaining to the Fresno Police Department's technology contract with Axon Enterprises, Inc.

1. Award a sole source agreement between the City of Fresno Police Department and Axon Enterprises, Inc., in the amount of \$234,470.77 for the purchase of two (2) Drones as First Responder (DFR) units with Axon Air software and service support for a total of twelve (12) months and for the purchase of the third DFR unit from Axon Services, Inc. with Axon Air software and service support for a total period of four (4) years, in the amount of \$149,588.62;
2. ***RESOLUTION - Adopt a Resolution authorizing the establishment of a contract for the purchase of two (2) drones with Axon Air software and service support for a total of twelve (12) months, along with the purchase of one (1) additional drone with Axon Air software and service support for a period of four (4) years, as a first responder with Axon Enterprises, Inc. without advertised competitive bidding (Subject to Mayor's Veto);
3. Approve acceptance of donated funds for the purchase of the third DFR unit from Axon Services, Inc., to be dispensed in the amount of \$50,000 each year for a total of four-years from the Fresno Police Chief's Foundation, a third party, in an amount not to exceed \$205,000;
4. Approve the purchase of the three (3) DFR units in compliance with California Government Codes (GC) 7070-7075 which require the governing body's approval to purchase Military Equipment as defined by the government code.

Councilmember Richardson moved the above item to Contested Consent, but got his questions answered prior to the item be heard.

Council discussion was held.

RESOLUTION 2025-363 ADOPTED

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

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

2.-CC. [ID 25-1685](#) BILL (for Introduction) - Repealing Section 10-812 of the Fresno Municipal Code, Relating to Conditions on Police Response to Public Safety Alarm Systems

Vice President Arias and Councilmember Richardson moved the above item to Contested Consent to discuss the changes to the municipal code.

Council discussion was held.

BILL B-63 INTRODUCED AND LAID OVER

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

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

2.-DD. [ID 25-1690](#)

Actions pertaining to the Fresno Police Department Air Support Unit "Skywatch"

1. Award a Sole Source Agreement with Airbus Helicopters, Inc. for the purchase of an overhauled main rotor gearbox main module for Airbus EC120 helicopter N524MW in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.
2. ***RESOLUTION: Adopt a Resolution authorizing an exception to formal bidding procedures and approving the sole source purchase and installation of a main rotor gearbox overhaul for N524MW Airbus EC120 Helicopter for the Fresno Police Department. (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

Councilmember Richardson moved the above item to Contested Consent but got all his questions answered prior to the item being heard.

Council discussion was held.

RESOLUTION 2025-364 ADOPTED

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

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

3. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

3.-A. [ID 25-1686](#) Approve the award of a Requirements Contract to California Wood Recycling, Inc. of Oxnard, CA through December 4, 2026 with three optional one-year extensions for the purchase of recycled mulch as required by California State Senate Bill 1383 procurement requirement for recovered organic waste products in an amount not to exceed \$329,926.00 per year, and authorize the Director of Public Utilities, or designee, to sign the contract on behalf of the City of Fresno (Bid File 12600921). (Citywide)

During approval of the agenda, Interim City Clerk Aller announced on the staff report under the background section, the third paragraph should read:

The Department of Public Utilities Solid Waste Management Division conducted a competitive process for selecting a provider for this project. On November 12, 2025, a formal bid for product requirements contract was published and advertised on the City's PlanetBids website. On November 21, 2025, seven proposals were received. California Wood Recycling, Inc. dba Agromin was the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. Also, replacing Local preference to read: Local preference was applicable but did not change the outcome of the bid.

The above item was presented to Council by Public Utilities Director Amico. Upon call, the following members of the public addressed Council: David Balakian.

Council discussion was held.

Councilmember Perea motioned to table this items to the January 15, 2026 meeting, with direction to the administration to come back with a item to reject all bids.

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

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

UNSCHEDULED COMMUNICATION

Upon call, the following members of the public addressed the Council with unscheduled communication: Elijah, Nikki Real, Isabel Vela, and Jenna Williams.

4. CITY COUNCIL

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 11:14 A.M. and again at 3:43 P.M.

5.-A. ID 25-1704

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, 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

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

DISCUSSED

5.-B. ID 25-1628

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(1)
Case Name: Titus Clark v. City of Fresno; Nathan Underwood
Fresno Superior Court Case No. 24CECG03116

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

DISCUSSED

5.-C. ID 25-1629

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(1)
Case Name: Rodolfo Valdez Guzman v. City of Fresno, et al.
Fresno Superior Court Case No. 24CECG02984

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

session announcements for this item.

DISCUSSED

5.-D. ID 25-1692

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 25-1693

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(1)
South Fresno Community Alliance v. City of Fresno, et al.
Fresno Superior Court Case No.: 21CECG03237

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

DISCUSSED

5.-F. ID 25-1695

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(1)
Case Name: *Megan Gonzales GAL for Victor Cardenas, III a minor v. City of Fresno, et al;*
Fresno Superior Court Case No. 23CECG05172

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

DISCUSSED

5.-G. ID 25-1694

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 25-1720](#)**

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - DECIDING WHETHER TO
INITIATE LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(4)
Case Name: *City of Fresno v. Deping Huang*
(5158 W. Weathermaker Avenue; Code Enforcement Case Number
E25-12804)

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

DISCUSSED**ADJOURNMENT**

The Council meeting adjourned from open session at 11:53 P.M. in memory of the ten victims of the Australian Bondi Beach attack.

The above minutes were approved by unanimous vote of the City Council during the January 15, 2026, regular meeting.