

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING A LAND BANK
FOR THE CITY OF FRESNO

WHEREAS, the City Council finds and declares that it is the intent of this resolution to protect the public health, safety and general welfare of the City of Fresno, specifically by improving the City's ability to create affordable housing, community use green space, and to reduce incidence of property vacancy, blight, and detrimental speculation; and

WHEREAS, the City's affordable housing production goals would benefit from an increase in infill development sites owned and controlled by the City; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to encourage infill development, where possible, as an efficient use of public and private resources; and

WHEREAS, there are or may be privately-owned parcels that are under-utilized, under-developed, distressed, and/or blighted in the City; and

WHEREAS, there are and will continue to be privately-owned potential infill sites of various sizes and characteristics, some of which might be obtainable through the exercise of the City's existing municipal powers; and

WHEREAS, the City lacks a Single Purpose Coordinating Entity (SPE) within the City who is responsible for coordinating acquisitions and dispositions of potential infill development sites; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that the lack of a coordinating entity may limit the City's ability to strategically acquire property that can be put into service for creating more affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the creation of a land bank is an important step in supporting the existing affordable housing infrastructure and fostering an increased stock of affordable housing, especially in underserved communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Fresno, as follows:

1. The City Council hereby establishes a City land bank for the purpose of coordinating acquisitions and dispositions of potential infill development sites with individuals and developers interested in developing vacant and abandoned land within the City of Fresno.

2. The City Council directs the Administration to develop the necessary steps to create the land bank within the City to address affordable housing infrastructure, for Council approval within 90 days from adoption of this resolution.

3. This resolution shall be effective upon final approval.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF FRESNO) ss.
CITY OF FRESNO)

I, TODD STERMER, City Clerk of the City of Fresno, certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Fresno, at a regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____ 2024.

AYES :
NOES :
ABSENT :
ABSTAIN :

Mayor Approval: _____, 2024
Mayor Approval/No Return: _____, 2024
Mayor Veto: _____, 2024
Council Override Vote: _____, 2024

TODD STERMER, CMC
City Clerk

By: _____
Deputy Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
ANDREW JANZ
City Attorney

By: _____
Angela M. Karst Date
Senior Deputy City Attorney