City of Fresno

City Hall Council Chambers 2600 Fresno Street



Meeting Agenda - Final-revised

Wednesday, October 1, 2025

6:00 PM

Regular Meeting

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Planning Commission

Chairperson – Peter Vang
Vice Chair - Kathy Bray
Commissioner – David Criner
Commissioner – Monica Diaz
Commissioner – Jacqueline Lyday
Commissioner - Linda M Calandra
Commissioner – Gurdeep Singh Shergill

THE PLANNING COMMISSION WELCOMES YOU TO COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LOCATED AT CITY HALL, 2600 FRESNO STREET, FRESNO, CALIFORNIA 93721.

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All public speakers will have up to 3 minutes to address the Commission pursuant to Rule No. 13 of the Planning Commission Bylaws of the City of Fresno (available in the City Clerk's Office).

SUBMIT DOCUMENTS / WRITTEN COMMENTS -

- 1. E-mail Agenda related documents and comments can be e-mailed to the Planning & Development Department. Unless otherwise required by law to be accepted by the City at or prior to a Commission meeting or hearing, no documents shall be accepted for Commission review unless they are submitted to the Planning and Development Department at least 24 hours prior to the commencement of the Commission meeting at which the associated agenda item is to be heard. All comments received at least 24 hours prior will be distributed to the Planning Commission prior and during the meeting and will be a part of the official record, pursuant to Article 4 (3).
 - a. Email comments to PublicCommentsPlanning@fresno.gov.
- b. Emails should include the agenda date and item number you wish to speak on in the subject line of your email. Include your name and address for the record, at the top of the body of your email.

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https://fresno.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_JRC95sl1SW6vrTmNwLLrPw

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I. ROLL CALL

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. PROCEDURES

For each matter considered by the Commission, there will first be a staff presentation, followed by a presentation from the project applicant. Testimony from supporters of the project will then be taken, followed by testimony from those in opposition. The applicant will have the right to a final rebuttal presentation prior to closing the public hearing.

In accordance with section 13 of Article 2 of the Planning Commission Rules and Regulations governing length of public debate, all public testimony from those in support and in opposition of the project will be limited to three minutes per person. The three lights on the podium next to the microphone will indicate the amount of time remaining for the speaker. The green light will be turned on when the speaker begins. The yellow light will come on with a soft bell ring when one minute is remaining. The speaker should be completing the testimony by the time the red light comes on with a final bell indicating time has expired. All public testimony must be presented to the Commission at the podium. Any testimony that references race, religion, ethnicity, economic status, national origin, or any other classification protected under state or federal law in a derogatory manner shall be deemed irrelevant and will not be considered by the Commission in making its land use determinations.

If you challenge these land use matters in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised in oral or written testimony or before the close of the hearing.

IV. AGENDA APPROVAL

V. CONSENT CALENDAR

V-A ID 25-1232 September 3, 2025 Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes

Sponsors: Planning and Development Department

<u>Attachments:</u> Exhibit A - September 3, 2025 DRAFT Planning Commission

V-B ID 25-1311 Consideration of an Update to Planning Commission Rules and

Regulations (Bylaws) Regarding Submission of Documents

Sponsors: Planning and Development Department

<u>Attachments:</u> Exhibit A - Draft Planning Commission Rules and Regulation

VI. REPORTS BY COMMISSIONERS

VII. CONTINUED MATTERS

VIII. NEW MATTERS

VIII-A ID 25-1216

Public hearing to consider the adoption of the West Area Neighborhoods Specific Plan and related Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR), State Clearinghouse (SCH No. 2019069117). The following applications have been filed and pertain to approximately 7,077 acres in the Development Area - 1 North Development Area:

- RECOMMEND APPROVAL (to the City Council), of the findings set forth in the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR SCH No. 2019069117) (see Exhibits H, I, and J).
 - a. RECOMMEND ADOPTION (to the City Council) of an appropriate Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) as required by Public Resources Code Section 21081.6 and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15097; and,
 - b. RECOMMEND ADOPTION (to the City Council) of findings based upon testimony presented by Staff that there are significant, unavoidable, environmental impacts which have not been mitigated to a level below significant. Therefore, the City Council should adopt the findings of fact and consider an appropriate statement of overriding considerations.
- 2. RECOMMEND APPROVAL (to the City Council) of Plan Amendment Application P22-01351 which proposes to repeal the West Area Community Plan, pertaining to approximately 12,341 acres located in the Development Area 1 North Development Area, and the portion of the Highway City Neighborhood Specific Plan that overlaps the West Area Neighborhoods Specific Plan Boundary, approximately 455 acres (see Exhibit B).
- 3. **RECOMMEND APPROVAL** (to the City Council) of Plan Amendment Application P22-01352, which proposes to adopt the West Area Neighborhoods Specific Plan and accompanying Planned Land Use Map (see Exhibits C and F).
- 4. RECOMMEND APPROVAL (to the City Council) of Plan Amendment Application P22-01353, which proposes to update the Planned Land Use Map (Figure LU-1) and Dual Designation Map (LU-2) of the Fresno General Plan to incorporate the land use changes proposed in the West Area Neighborhoods Specific Plan (see Exhibit D).
- 5. RECOMMEND APPROVAL (to the City Council) of Rezone Application P22-01353 which proposes to rezone approximately 958 acres of property within the West Area Neighborhoods Specific Plan area to be consistent with the planned land uses proposed in the Plan (see Exhibit E).

Planning and Development Department Sponsors:

Exhibit A - West Area Neighborhoods Specific Plan Vicinity Attachments:

Exhibit B - Plan Amendment P22-01351 West Area Comm

Exhibit C - Plan Amendment P22-01352 West Area Neight

Exhibit D - Plan Amendment P22-01353 Proposed Change

Exhibit E - Rezone P22-01353 Proposed Changes to the Z

Exhibit F - WANSP Planning Commission Draft [Septembe

Exhibit G - 2022 Comment Summary Matrix & Comment Le

Exhibit H - Recirculated Draft Program Environmental Impa

Exhibit I - Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR)

Exhibit J - Findings of Fact & Statement of Overriding Cons

Exhibit K - Fresno Municipal Code Findings

Exhibit L - Housing Element Findings

Exhibit M - Fresno Bee Notice [09-10-25]

Exhibit N - Workshop Presentation [09-17-25]

Exhibit O - Carried Policies from HCNSP & WACP

Exhibit P - WANSP Regional Park Location Scoring

Exhibit Q - Presentation

Supplemental Exhibit R - Public Comments Received

Supplemental Exhibit S - Land Use Change Requests

IX. REPORT BY SECRETARY

X. SCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

XI. UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

You may address the Planning Commission at the conclusion of the Commission meeting regarding matters of public interest that are not listed on the agenda and that are within the Commission's jurisdiction. Please be present at the conclusion of the meeting if you wish to be heard. Anyone wishing to be placed on the Planning Commission Agenda should contact the Planning and Development Department (telephone: 559-621-8277) at least 10 days before the desired appearance date.

XII. ADJOURNMENT