RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, DIRECTING CITY STAFF TO STUDY AND ANALYZE FORMATION OF A PARKING AUTHORITY AND SUSPENDING NEGOTIATIONS OF ANY SALES OF PARKING ASSETS

WHEREAS, the City owns a number of downtown parking garages and lots; and

WHEREAS, adequate and efficiently managed parking is critical to the success of downtown businesses and residents; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated single purpose parking authority, which may assume ownership and control of downtown parking assets, may provide better management of parking resources and modernize operations; and

WHEREAS, the City recently sold the spiral-parking garage based on its inability

to appropriately maintain it; and

WHEREAS, the City continues to rely on antiquated coin meters that do not meet

the modern needs of our customers or utilization of available technology; and

WHEREAS, a parking authority may reduce the City's general fund obligation,

allowing said resources to be invested in improving public safety and neighborhoods;

and

WHEREAS, the City recently undertook an audit of the parking operations, identifying improvements that need to be addressed; and

WHEREAS, the Council now desires to direct City Staff to utilize the audit findings and to contract with a consultant to thoroughly study and analyze the feasibility and desirability of a parking authority. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Fresno as follows:

1. City Staff is directed to study and prepare a thorough analysis of the feasibility of a parking authority, as set forth in California Streets and Highways Code section 32650, et seq., to own, control, and manage all City parking assets and resources, and to provide a written report to Council within 180 days of the effective date of this Resolution.

2. City Staff will shall notify and collaborate with downtown stakeholders, including business and property associations, property owners, and tenants, on the development of the analysis.

3. Until the report is presented to Council and pending further action of the Council, all negotiations to sell City parking assets, except those subject to an existing written agreement, shall be suspended.

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

I, YVONNE SPENCE, 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 _____ 2019.

AYES : NOES : ABSENT : **ABSTAIN** :

> YVONNE SPENCE, MMC CRM City Clerk

By: _____ Deputy

Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM: DOUGLAS T. SLOAN City Attorney

By:

Laurie Avedisian-Favini Date Assistant City Attorney

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