

# **City of Fresno**

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## **Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, September 29, 2022**

**12:00 PM**

**Special Closed Session Meeting**

**Council Chambers (In Person and/or Electronic)**

## **City Council**

***President - Nelson Esparza***

***Vice President - Tyler Maxwell***

***Councilmembers:***

***Esmeralda Z. Soria, Mike Karbassi, Miguel Angel Arias, Luis Chavez,***

***Garry Bredefeld***

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

***Interim City Attorney - Rina Gonzales***

***City Clerk - Todd Stermer, CMC***

The City Council for the City of Fresno convened in special session on September 29, 2022, at 12:00 P.M. concurrently with a separately noticed regular meeting.

#### ROLL CALL

**Present:** 7 - Council President Nelson Esparza  
Vice President Tyler Maxwell  
Councilmember Esmeralda Z. Soria  
Councilmember Mike Karbassi  
Councilmember Miguel Angel Arias  
Councilmember Luis Chavez  
Councilmember Garry Bredefeld

#### **APPROVE AGENDA**

On motion of Councilmember Soria, seconded by Vice President Maxwell, the agenda was **APPROVED**. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 6 - Esparza, Maxwell, Soria, Arias, Chavez and Bredefeld

**Absent:** 1 - Karbassi

[ID 22-1537](#) Notice of Special Closed Session Meeting - Signed

#### **1. CLOSED SESSION**

*During open session, Council President Esparza opened the floor for public comment on the closed session matters. Chief Assistant City Attorney Badhesha read the list of closed session cases to be discussed and announced there could be a report of action in relation to the City Controller performance evaluation (ID 22-1536).*

- 1-.A.** [ID 22-1536](#) PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION, Government Code Section 54957(b): consider the appointment, employment, evaluation of performance, discipline, or dismissal of a public employee.

Title: City Controller

*The above item was discussed in closed session. Following the closed session, Chief Assistant City Attorney Griffin reported the following in open session:*

*By a unanimous 7-0 vote, Council approved the City Manager's decision to terminate City Controller Lima and appoint Assistant City Manager Qunito, as*

*the interim City Controller. The vote authorized the Council President to sign the termination notice on behalf of the Council and directed the administration to proceed with an external audit of the City's Finances within the next sixty days.*

## **ADJOURNMENT**

*Adjourned from open session at 11:53 P.M.*

**The above minutes were approved by unanimous vote of the City Council during the November 3, 2022, regular meeting with Councilmember Karbassi absent.**