

# **City of Fresno**

*City Hall Council Chambers  
2600 Fresno Street*



## **Meeting Minutes - Draft**

**Wednesday, January 21, 2026**

**6:00 PM**

**Regular Meeting**

**City Hall Council Chambers  
2600 Fresno Street**

## **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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**I. ROLL CALL**

*Chair Vang called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.*

*Also present were Jennifer Clark, Ashley Atkinson, Phillip Siegrist, Israel Trejo, Sophia Pagoulatos, Robert Holt, Juan Lara, Valeria Ramirez, Kari Camino, Heather Thomas (CAO), and Dejan Pavic (DPU).*

**Present** 5 - Peter Vang  
Kathy Bray  
Monica Diaz  
Jacqueline Lyday  
Gurdeep Singh Shergill

**Absent** 2 - David Criner  
Linda Calandra

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*6:01 p.m.*

**III. PROCEDURES**

*6:01 p.m.*

*Chair Vang read the procedures aloud.*

**IV. AGENDA APPROVAL**

*6:02 p.m.*

*Trejo reported no changes to the agenda.*

**On motion of Commissioner Lyday, seconded by Chair Vang, the AGENDA was APPROVED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Vang, Bray, Diaz, Lyday, and Shergill

**Absent:** 2 - Criner , and Calandra

**V. CONSENT CALENDAR**

*None*

**VI. REPORTS BY COMMISSIONERS**

6:03 p.m.

*Commissioner Shergill recognized the recent celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day and highlighted an article noting Dr. King’s 1964 visit to Fresno, where he advocated for housing equality and equity. He also reflected on the importance of the Commission’s work in reviewing, questioning, and approving items that impact the community, and emphasized that housing remains a critical issue. He concluded by expressing appreciation for the efforts of Mayor Dyer, the City Council, and the Planning Commission in advancing this work.*

**VII. CONTINUED MATTERS**

*None*

**VIII. NEW MATTERS**

VIII-A [ID 26-77](#)

Consideration of Rezone Application No. P25-01778; Development Permit Application No. P25-01774; and related Environmental Assessment No. P25-01774/P25-01778 for ±3.96 acres of property located on the southeast corner of North Cedar Avenue and East Hampton Way (Council District 4) - Planning and Development Department.

**1. RECOMMEND ADOPTION** (to the City Council) of the Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared for Environmental Assessment No. P25-01774/P25-01778, dated December 18, 2025, for the proposed project pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines; and,

**2. RECOMMEND APPROVAL** (to the City Council) of Rezone Application No. P25-01778, proposing to remove one (1) of the three (3) existing conditions of zoning on ±3.96 acres of property; and,

**3. RECOMMEND APPROVAL** (to the City Council) of Development Permit Application No. P25-01774, proposing to construct a senior healthcare facility on ±1.17 acres of property, subject to compliance with the Conditions of Approval dated January 21, 2026, and contingent upon approval of Rezone Application No. P25-01778 and the related environmental assessment.

6:04 p.m.

*Ramirez began her presentation on the project.*

6:06 p.m.

*Due to an unexpected power outage at City Hall, the Planning Commission recessed briefly to allow time for power restoration. When it became clear that power would not be restored promptly, Chair Vang moved to continue the item to a special meeting scheduled for January 28, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.*

**On motion of Chair Vang, seconded by Vice Chair Bray, that the above Action Item be CONTINUED TO JANUARY 28, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Vang, Bray, Diaz, Lyday, and Shergill

**Absent:** 2 - Criner , and Calandra

VIII-B [ID 26-40](#)

HEARING to consider the adoption of the Central Southeast Area Specific Plan and related Environmental Assessment. The following applications have been filed by the Fresno City Council and pertain to approximately 2,067 acres in the Southeast area of the City of Fresno:

1. **RECOMMEND ADOPTION** (to the City Council), of a finding set forth in Environmental Assessment No. P23-00400 dated December 19, 2025, of a Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15168(d) (see Exhibit H).
2. **RECOMMEND APPROVAL** (to the City Council) of Plan Amendment Application P23-00400 which proposes to:
  - a. **Repeal** the Roosevelt Community Plan, pertaining to approximately 15,721 acres, and the Butler/Willow Specific Plan, pertaining to approximately 563 acres (see Exhibit B).
  - b. **Adopt** the Central Southeast Area Specific Plan and accompanying Planned Land Use Map (see Exhibits A, B and C).
  - c. **Amend** the Planned Land Use Map (Figure LU-1) of the Fresno General Plan to incorporate the land use changes proposed in the Central Southeast Area Specific Plan (see Exhibit D).
  - d. **Rezone** approximately 119 acres of property within the Central Southeast Area Specific Plan area to be consistent with the planned land uses proposed in the Plan (see Exhibit E).

*Item continued to February 3, 2026.*

**On motion of Chair Vang, seconded by Vice Chair Bray, that the above Action Item be CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 3, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Vang, Bray, Diaz, Lyday, and Shergill

**Absent:** 2 - Criner , and Calandra

**IX. REPORT BY SECRETARY**

*None*

**X. SCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

*None*

**XI. UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

*None*

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

*Chair Vang adjourned the meeting at 6:21 p.m.*