

ACTION AGENDA SPECIAL MEETING
Joint Work Session Visalia City Council & Planning Commission
Visalia Convention Center, 303 E. Acequia, Visalia, CA
Monday, March 26, 2007, 4:00 p.m.

City Council

Mayor: Jesus J. Gamboa
Vice Mayor: Greg Kirkpatrick
Council Member: Greg Collins
Council Member: Donald K. Landers
Council Member: Bob Link

Planning Commission

Chairperson: Vincent Salinas
Vice-Chair: Lawrence Segrue
Commissioner: Victor M. Perez
Commissioner: Sam Logan
Commissioner: Adam Peck

4:00 p.m. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

CITIZENS REQUESTS - This is the time for members of the public to comment on any matter within the jurisdiction of the Visalia City Council/Planning Commission. The Council and Commissioners ask that you keep your comments brief and positive. Creative criticism, presented with appropriate courtesy, is welcome. The Council/Commissioners cannot legally discuss or take official action on citizen request items that are introduced today. In fairness to all who wish to speak, each speaker from the public will be allowed three minutes. Please begin your comments by stating and spelling your name and providing your address.

INTRODUCTIONS

WORK SESSION

1. Review of the Southeast Area Specific Plan 100% Administrative Draft and approval to begin work on the Environmental Impact Report

Track 1 - Fred Brusuelas gave an overview of the Southeast Area Plan, an 850 acre area that the Council has expressed intentions to prepare a land use and street circulation alternative to conventional development. Andy Chamberlain gave a review of comments of the task force. Consultants David Thurman, John Dutton, David Bergman, Stefanos Polyzoides reviewed specific components of the plan. Council and Planning Commission discussed and gave their input. GC/GK (5-0) to adopt the Action Item for March 26, 2007, accepting the 100% Administrative Draft of the Southeast Area Specific Plan with modifications and directing preparation of the Environmental Impact Report.

6:30 p.m. **Break** - Adjourn Joint Session of City Council and Planning Commission

7:00 p.m. **Closed Session** (Visalia City Council only)

Conference with Labor Negotiators (54957.6a)

Agency Designated Representatives: Eric Frost, Jim Harbottle, Janice Avila

Employee organization: All

7:30 p.m. **Open Session** (Reconvene - Joint Session Visalia City Council and Planning Commission)

WORK SESSION (continued)

2. Form Based Code Outreach Program

Track 2 - The City Council and Planning Commission reviewed the suggested

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education/transition plan for the implementation of form-based zoning in designated areas of Visalia and gave their consensus to staff to move forward with the program as recommended.

3. Downtown Parking Task Force and Work Program Track 3 - City Council and Planning Commission authorized the formation of a Downtown Parking Committee and appointed Sam Logan, Bob Link and Jesus Gamboa to the committee. Nominations for other members of the 9 member committee will be forwarded to the City Manager. The Committee will report back to the Council in six months.

4. Discussion of Smart Growth Standards Task Force and Work Program

Track 4 - GK/DL 5-0 to initiate a Smart Growth Standards Task Force and appointed Greg Kirkpatrick, Greg Collins, Larry Segue and Vincent Salinas to the Task Force and that the Work program be accepted as recommended by staff.

5. Future Joint Meeting Schedule

Track 4 - Proposed dates for future joint meetings of the City Council and Planning Commission were reviewed. The April 23 proposed date will not work for both dates and it was asked to find an alternate date for this meeting. The other proposed dates, (June 11 and July 23, 2007) will be scheduled for joint meetings to be held at the Convention Center.

Upcoming Council Meetings

Monday, April 2, 2007, 4:00 p.m. - City Hall Council Chambers, 707 W. Acequia

Monday, April 16, 2007, 4:00 p.m. - City Hall Council Chambers, 707 W. Acequia

Tuesday, May 1, 2007, 6:00 p.m. - Joint COV/VUSD, VUSD District Office, 5000 W. Cypress

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