

ACTION AGENDA SPECIAL MEETING
Joint Special Work Session Visalia City Council & Planning Commission
and Special Meeting of the Visalia City Council
Visalia Convention Center, 303 E. Acequia, Visalia, CA
Monday, June 11, 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 Segreue
 Commissioner: Victor M. Perez
 Commissioner: Sam Logan
 Commissioner: Adam Peck

4:10 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Landers and Commissioner Perez were not present at the start of the meeting.

Track 1

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.

Brian Newton, 1407 W. Laurel, thanked Council for opening the Sequoia Shuttle.

INTRODUCTIONS

WORK SESSION (*Visalia City Council and Planning Commission*)

1. Acknowledge creation of Downtown Parking Committee

Track 2

GK/BL 4-0 to approve per staff recommendations. Committee task force is made up of the following: Jesus Gamboa, Bob Link, Sam Logan, Mike Fistolera, Barbara Hood, William Martin, Harvey May, Cliff Dunbar, Steven Peck. The first meeting of the committee will be July 10th at 4:00 p.m.

2. Urban Development Boundary (UDB) Strategy and Policy Direction for Future Annexations

Track 3
& 4

Paul Scheibel reviewed six department recommendations and asked for Council/Commission direction.

GK/GC 3-0, Link abstain - to approve per staff recommendation #A as presented.

GC/GK 4-0 - to approve per staff recommendation #B as presented.

GK/GC 4-0 - to approve per staff recommendation #C as presented.

GK/BL 3-1, Collins No - Council not create restrictions on annexations but create criteria for orderly growth that would include a process whereby annexations within the 129,000 boundaries be master planned and phasing plans be subject to development agreements; a process to revise the criteria to move to 165,000 boundaries should include reviewing the flexibility factors and the population build out thresholds; to include an aggressive infill program that would try to acquire as much development within the city limits and within the existing 98,000 boundary to be able to achieve a higher population build-out in the 129,000 and eventually in the 165,000 boundary.

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CouncilMember Collins asked Council to consider incentives for housing affordability.

3. Residential Infill Development Review

GC/BL 4-0 - to continue Item 3 to the next joint meeting.

Adjourn Joint Session of Visalia City Council and Planning Commission

CLOSED SESSION (*Visalia City Council only*)

4. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation (54956.9 GC) Significant Exposure to Litigation pursuant to subdivision (b): one potential case
5. Conference with Labor Negotiators (G.C. §54957.6a)
Agency Designated Representatives: Eric Frost, Jim Harbottle, Janice Avila
Employee organization: Bargaining units Groups E, G, M

WORK SESSION (*Visalia City Council*)

6. East Downtown Form Based Code – presentation, review and comment

Track 5

Tony Perez and Aseem Inam from Moule & Polyzoides presented a plan drafted by Paul Crawford on Form Based Code for the East Downtown. The interim zoning plan for the East Downtown expires in April 2008. Council was asked to look over the list of permitted, un-permitted, and conditional use permits and respond back to staff with any recommendations. Sharon Shelter will prepare a second draft, distribute and begin the public hearing process.

Steven Peck commented on the draft plan.

Submitted by Donjia Huffmon, Chief Deputy City Clerk

Upcoming Council Meetings

Monday, June 18, 2007, 4:00 p.m. – City Council Chambers, 707 W. Acequia
Monday, June 25, 2007, 4:00 p.m. Convention Center, 303 E. Acequia
Monday, July 16, 2007, 4:00 p.m. – City Council Chambers, 707 W. Acequia