

# Visalia City Council Action Agenda

For the regular meeting of: Monday, January 7, 2008

Location: City Hall Council Chambers, 707 W. Acequia, Visalia CA 93291

Mayor: Jesus J. Gamboa - present  
Vice Mayor: Bob Link - present  
Council Member: Greg Collins - present  
Council Member: Donald K. Landers - present  
Council Member: Amy Shuklian - present

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All items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. If anyone desires discussion on any item on the Consent Calendar, please contact the City Clerk who will then request that Council make the item part of the regular agenda.

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## WORK SESSION AND ACTION ITEMS (as described)

4:00 p.m.

### Public Comment on Work Session and Closed Session Items -

4:00 p.m.  
Track 1

1. Presentation by the Environmental Committee and recommendation to endorse the 25x25 initiative promoting twenty-five percent renewable energy by the year 2025. **Resolution 2008-01 required.**

DL/GC 5-0  
item 1  
approved as  
amended

Shawn Ogletree introduced Brian Rowe and Dr. Dean Mann and other members of the Environmental Committee. Council had questions regarding the measurement of results of the initiative. Council Member Landers motioned to replace the word "vision" with "goals" in the Resolution.

4:30 p.m.  
Track 2

2. Presentation by Keith Bergthold, City of Fresno Assistant Planning Director, on the Rural Metro Loop, a multi-county transportation system being considered for implementation in 2110 that could include portions of Tulare County.

Leslie Caviglia introduced Keith Bergthold, City of Fresno and John Wright, City of Clovis who gave the Council a presentation on the Rural Metro Loop a regional cooperation. The Council gave their informal show of support for the Rural Metro Loop planning process, including the inclusion of Tulare County in the planned route.

5:10 p.m.  
Track 3 & 4

3. Accept Fiscal Year 2006-07 Measure T Audit Report, as recommended by the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC).

DL/AS 5-0  
Item 3  
Approved as  
recommended

Ken White and Nicole Centrofanti from M. Green and Co. were present to answer any questions. Brian Summers, former CAC president was also present. Gus Aiello gave the presentation and asked the Council to accept the 2006-07 Measure T Audit as recommended.

### ITEMS OF INTEREST

Council Member Shuklian commented on the Emergency Operation Center that was held in preparation for the storm and commended everyone who was involved.

Council Member Shuklian commented on a recent Fire Department rescue of a woman and her animals in a fire.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

**6:00 p.m. (Or, immediately following Work Session)**

4. Conference With Real Property Negotiators (G.C. §54956.8)  
Property: APN: 078-120-011  
Under Negotiation: Consideration and approval of appraisal; and price, terms and conditions of purchase contract  
Negotiating Parties: Steve Salomon, Andrew Benelli, Colleen Carlson, Visalia Shannon Land Development Co., Inc.
5. Conference With Real Property Negotiators (G.C. §54956.8)  
Property: APN: 095-134-046, 095-134-045, 096-291-024  
Under Negotiation: Consideration and approval of appraisals; Authority to negotiate price, terms and conditions of potential purchase  
Negotiating Parties: Steve Salomon, Andrew Benelli, Colleen Carlson, John Hunter - Visalia Properties, Flyers, LLC

### **Convene jointly as the Redevelopment Agency and the Visalia City Council**

6. Conference with Real Property Negotiators (G.C. §54956.8)  
Property: 819 W. Acequia APN: 093-201-004  
Under Negotiation: Price, terms and conditions of purchase and sale agreement  
Negotiators: Steve Salomon, Ricardo Noguera
7. Conference with Real Property Negotiators (G.C. §54956.8)  
Property: APN 094-221-010; 401 E. Acequia (AKA 210 S. Santa Fe)  
Under Negotiation: Status report; negotiations of price, terms, conditions of disposition and development  
Negotiators: Steve Salomon, Michael Olmos, Ricardo Noguera, (for seller)  
Jeffrey Roberts (Granville Homes, Inc), Reza Assemi (Pyramid Homes) (for buyer)

### **Adjourn as the Redevelopment Agency as remain seated as the Visalia City Council**

Track 5

## **REGULAR SESSION**

**7:00 p.m.**

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**INVOCATION** – Paul Gendron, Senior Chaplain, Workforce Chaplaincy, Inc

### **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITION**

**CITIZENS REQUESTS** - This is the time for members of the public to comment on any matter within the jurisdiction of the Visalia City Council. This is also the public's opportunity to request that a Consent Calendar item be removed from that section and made a regular agenda item for

discussion purposes. Comments related to Regular or Public Hearing Items listed on this agenda will be heard at the time the item is discussed or at the time the Public Hearing is opened for comment. The Council Members ask that you keep your comments brief and positive. Creative criticism, presented with appropriate courtesy, is welcome. The Council cannot legally discuss or take official action on citizen request items that are introduced tonight. In fairness to all who wish to speak tonight, each speaker from the public will be allowed three minutes (speaker timing lights mounted on the lectern will notify you with a flashing red light when your time has expired). Please begin your comments by stating and spelling your name and providing your address.

None

## CHANGES TO THE AGENDA/ITEMS TO BE PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

Track 5

DL/BL 5-0

Approve  
balance of  
consent items

Council Member Collins asked that Item 8c be pulled for discussion. Council Member Landers asked that item 8e be pulled for discussion.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR - Consent Calendar items are considered routine and will be enacted by a single vote of the Council with no discussion. For a Consent Calendar item to be discussed, or voted upon individually, it must be removed at the request of the Council.

a) Authorization to read ordinances by title only.

b) Authorization for the City Manager to execute a Professional Service Agreement with Community Services and Employment Training (CSET) to provide labor for various City grant funded projects where CSET is a partner in the grant application.

c) Receive, review, and file the 2006-07 Impact Fee Report as required by State law.

GC/AS 5-0

Item 8c  
approved

Council Member Collins commented that the Council needs to have a joint meeting with the Parks and Recreation Commission to discuss upcoming projects.

d) Authorization for staff to apply for a Transportation Enhancement (TE) grant in the amount of \$656,000 for trail sections along Packwood and Mill Creeks.

AS/BL 4-1

Landers = No  
Item 8e  
approved

e) Authorize \$5,000 from the general fund to defray the cost for up to 10 students to participate in the 2008 Sister City exchange with Miki City, Japan, and to carry over the \$5,000 appropriated in 2006/2007 to assist with chaperone expenses.

Council Member Landers indicated he is not supportive for budgetary reasons.

f) Approval of the appointment of City Council Representatives to various boards and committees for the 2007-2009 Council term as recommended by Mayor Gamboa.

g) *Item removed at the request of staff*

h) Request authorization to file a Notice of Completion for Sterling Oaks Unit 1 containing 91 single family lots (71 gated and 20 non-gated) located at the southeast corner of Riggin and Demaree.

i) Request authorization to file a Notice of Completion for Sterling Oaks Unit #2 containing 117 lots located west of County Center between Riggin and Modoc.

Track 6,7,8

DL/BL 5-0  
Approve  
Resolution  
2008-02

DL/BL 5-0  
Approve  
Resolution  
2008-03

BL/AS 5-0  
Introduce  
Ordinance  
2008-01

9. **PUBLIC HEARING:**

1. Consideration of Negative Declaration No. 2007-87 prepared for General Plan Amendment No. 2007-07 and Change of Zone No. 2007-08. **Resolution 2008-02 required.**
2. General Plan Amendment No. 2007-07, a request by Fairway Properties (Quad Knopf, agent) to change the General Plan land use designation from High Density Residential to Medium Density Residential on approximately 7.9 acres, located at the southeast corner of Ferguson Avenue and Conyer Street (APN: 090-280-004). **Resolution 2008-03 required.**
3. Change of Zone No. 2007-08, a request by Fairway Properties (Quad Knopf, agent) to change the zoning designation from R-M-3 (Multi-family Residential, 1,500 square foot minimum/unit) to R-M-2 (Multi-family Residential, 3,000 square foot minimum/unit) on approximately 7.9 acres, located at the southeast corner of Ferguson Avenue and Conyer Street (APN: 090-280-004). **Introduction of Ordinance 2008-01 required.**

Paul Scheibel presented the staff report. The public hearing was opened at 7:40 p.m. Steve Brandt, Quad Knopf, representing the applicant spoke in favor of approval. The public hearing was closed at 7:45 p.m.

Mayor Gamboa commended Mr. Gong on being a pioneer on N. Dinuba Boulevard and the development he has completed in that area.

Track 9

DL/AS 5-0  
Item 10  
approved as  
recommended

10. **PUBLIC HEARING** - Authorize the formation of Underground Utility District No. 19 along Walnut Avenue from the east right of way line of Mooney Boulevard (State Route 63) to approximately one hundred eighty feet (180') east of Central Avenue. **Resolution 2008-04 required**

Adam Ennis presented the staff recommendation. The public hearing was opened at 7:55 p.m. There were no public comments.

**REPORT ON ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION - none**

**REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION MATTERS FINALIZED BETWEEN COUNCIL MEETINGS**

8:00 p.m.  
Meeting  
Adjourned

**Upcoming Council Meetings**

- Tuesday, January 22, 2008, Work Session 4:00/Regular Session 7:00 p.m. – City Council Chambers 707 W. Acequia
- Friday/Saturday, January 25-26, 2008; City Council Strategic Planning; Fri 12-9 p.m. Sat 8-3 p.m. – Convention Center
- Tuesday, January 29, 2008 Special Session 4:00 p.m. – City Council Chambers 707 W. Acequia
- Tuesday, January 29, 2008; 6:00 p.m. - Joint Meeting with Visalia Unified School District -.5000 West Cypress Avenue, VUSD Board Room

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*Submitted by Donjia Huffmon, Chief Deputy City Clerk*