

PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA

CHAIRPERSON:

Marvin Hansen



VICE CHAIRPERSON:

Adam Peck

COMMISSIONERS: Mary Beatie, Chris Gomez, Chris Tavarez, Adam Peck, Marvin Hansen

MONDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2021, 7:00 P.M.

VISALIA COUNCIL CHAMBERS

LOCATED AT 707 W. ACEQUIA AVENUE, VISALIA, CA

Citizens may appear at the Planning Commission meeting in person and will be asked to maintain appropriate, physical distancing from others and wear a mask or face shield pursuant to the Governor's Executive Orders and public health guidance during the COVID-19 situation.

1. CALL TO ORDER –
2. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE –
3. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS – This is the time for citizens to comment on subject matters that are not on the agenda but are within the jurisdiction of the Visalia Planning Commission. You may provide comments to the Planning Commission at this time, but the Planning Commission may only legally discuss those items already on tonight's agenda.

The Commission requests that a five (5) minute time limit be observed for Citizen Comments. You will be notified when your five minutes have expired.
4. CHANGES OR COMMENTS TO THE AGENDA –
5. CONSENT CALENDAR – All items under the consent calendar are to be considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. For any discussion of an item on the consent calendar, it will be removed at the request of the Commission and made a part of the regular agenda.
 - a. No Items on Consent Calendar
6. REGULAR ITEM – Leslie Caviglia, City Manager
City Council Redistricting Process 2021-2022
7. STUDY SESSION – Brandon Smith, Principal Planner / Josh Dan, Associate Planner
Discussion regarding Senate Bill 8, Housing Crisis Act of 2019, Senate Bill 9, Housing Development Approvals, and Senate Bill 10 Planning and Zoning: Housing Development: Density.

8. CITY PLANNER / PLANNING COMMISSION DISCUSSION –
 - a. Draft Planning Commission Guidelines
 - b. Next Planning Commission Meeting is Monday, October 25, 2021.
 - c. Appeal of Duplex CUP withdrawn.

The Planning Commission meeting may end no later than 11:00 P.M. Any unfinished business may be continued to a future date and time to be determined by the Commission at this meeting. The Planning Commission routinely visits the project sites listed on the agenda.

For Hearing Impaired – Call (559) 713-4900 (TTY) 48-hours in advance of the scheduled meeting time to request signing services.

Any written materials relating to an item on this agenda submitted to the Planning Commission after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection in the City Office, 315 E. Acequia Ave. Visalia, CA 93291, during normal business hours.

APPEAL PROCEDURE

THE LAST DAY TO FILE AN APPEAL IS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2021, BEFORE 5 PM

According to the City of Visalia Zoning Ordinance Section 17.02.145 and Subdivision Ordinance Section 16.04.040, an appeal to the City Council may be submitted within ten days following the date of a decision by the Planning Commission. An appeal form with applicable fees shall be filed with the City Clerk at 220 N. Santa Fe, Visalia, CA 93292. The appeal shall specify errors or abuses of discretion by the Planning Commission, or decisions not supported by the evidence in the record. The appeal form can be found on the city's website www.visalia.city or from the City Clerk.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2021

City of Visalia Redistricting Mapping Workshops

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We want to know Visalia, what do you consider the boundaries of your neighborhood?

Tell us and share your thoughts on the City Council redistricting process at one of our upcoming mapping workshops.

MAPPING WORKSHOP #1
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 13 @ 6 P.M.
WHITENDALE COMMUNITY CENTER

MAPPING WORKSHOP #2
SATURDAY, OCT. 23 @ 10 A.M.
ANTHONY COMMUNITY CENTER

Spanish language interpretation will be provided, all ages welcome. Questions? Call City of Visalia Administration at (559) 713-4535.

www.visalia.city/drawvisalia



Talleres de mapeo de redistribución de distritos de la ciudad de Visalia

Queremos saber Visalia, ¿que consideras que son los límites de su vecindad?

Cuéntenos y comparta sus ideas sobre el proceso de redistribución de distritos del Consejo Municipal en uno de nuestros próximos talleres de mapeo.

TALLER DE MAPEO # 1
MIÉRCOLES OCT. 13 A LAS 6 P.M.
CENTRO COMUNITARIO WHITENDALE

TALLER DE MAPEO # 2
SÁBADO OCT. 23 A LAS 10 A.M.
CENTRO COMUNITARIO ANTHONY

Habrá intérprete de español, todas las edades son bienvenidas. ¿Preguntas? Llame a la Administración de la Ciudad de Visalia al (559) 713-4535.

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City of Visalia Redistricting Process

Every ten years, local governments use new census data to redraw their district lines to reflect how local populations have changed. Assembly Bill 849 (2019) requires cities and counties to engage communities in the redistricting process.

What is redistricting?

Every ten years, districts must be redrawn so that each district is substantially equal in population. This process, called redistricting, is important in ensuring that each city councilmember represents about the same number of constituents. In Visalia, the City Council is responsible for drawing council districts. Redistricting is done using U.S. Census data and all district lines must be reviewed to meet strict requirements for population equality, voting rights protections, and in accordance with the California FAIR MAPS Act.

Why does redistricting matter to me?

Redistricting determines which neighborhoods and communities are grouped together into a district for purposes of electing a councilmember. The City Council will seek input in selecting the next district map for our City. You have an opportunity to share with the City Council how you think district boundaries should be drawn to best represent your community. You can contact City of Visalia Communications Manager Allison Mackey at (559) 713-4535 or allison.mackey@visalia.city to find out more about the process.

What do the existing council districts look like?

You can find a map of the City's current council districts at www.visalia.city.

What criteria will our City Council use when drawing district lines?

To the extent practicable, district lines will be adopted using the following criteria: (1) geographically contiguous districts (each city council district should share a common border with the next), (2) the geographic integrity of local neighborhoods or communities shall be respected in a manner that minimizes its division, (3) geographic integrity of a city shall be respected in a manner that minimizes its division, (4) easily identifiable boundaries that follow natural or artificial barriers (rivers, streets, highways, rail lines, etc.), and (5) lines shall be drawn to encourage geographic compactness. In addition, boundaries shall not be drawn for purposes of favoring or discriminating against a political party.

How will our City Council notify the public about redistricting?

All information is posted online at www.visalia.city/drawvisalia. Here you can find mapping tools, the meeting schedule, FAQs and more. Information is hosted on our social media channels @cityofvisalia and we will continue to post notices on hearings and workshops and post maps online before adoption.

How can I get involved?

Join us at our upcoming mapping workshops as we receive public input on where district lines should be drawn. Mapping Workshops will be held on Wednesday, 10/13/21 and Saturday, 10/23/21. Draft Map Hearings will be held on Monday, 12/6/21 and Monday, 1/10/22. You can also submit public comments, including suggested draft maps, by emailing communityfeedback@visalia.city.

Where can I find out more?

The City maintains a webpage on the city's redistricting process at www.visalia.city/drawvisalia.