

Visalia City Council Action Agenda

For the regular meeting of: MONDAY, May 5, 2008

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

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

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.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITION

Track 1

- Proclamation declaring the week of May 10-18 National Tourism Week

Council Member Landers presented the proclamation to Erin Cappuchino

WORK SESSION AND ACTION ITEMS (as described)

5:05 p.m.

Public Comment on Work Session and Closed Session Items

Track 2

AS/GC 4-0
Item 1
approved

1. Authorization to begin a pilot program to recycle bicycles and use them for a public transportation program in downtown Visalia through a new program called Visalia Vi-cycles.

Shawn Ogletree presented a Powerpoint presentation regarding a new program to refurbish re-claimed bicycles for use in the downtown area. Council Members gave positive comments.

Convene jointly as the Visalia City Council and the Community Redevelopment Agency

Track 3

DL/GC 4-0
Item 2
approved

2. Review, discuss and direct staff on the Implementation of the Lincoln Oval and Washington School Neighborhood Homeownership (LOWSNH) Program; use of Redevelopment Funds for down payment assistance.

Tim Burns, Rhonda Haynes, and Ricardo Noguera gave the staff report and Powerpoint presentation reviewing the program for down-payment assistance available for families above 80% of the median income. Council Members gave positive comments and discussed ways to get this information to the public and how to measure the success of the program.

Adjourn as the joint Visalia City Council and Community Redevelopment Agency and remain seated as the Visalia City Council

3. *Item removed at the request of staff*

The time listed for each work session item is an estimate of the time the Council will address that portion of the agenda. Members of the public should be aware that the estimated times may vary. Any items not completed prior to Closed Session may be continued to the evening session at the discretion of the Council.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

CLOSED SESSION

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

4. *Item removed at the request of staff*
5. Conference with Real Property Negotiators (G.C.§54956.8)
Property: 404 E. Center Street (APN: 094-285-008)
Under Negotiation: Authority to negotiate
Negotiating Parties for City: Steve Salomon, Leslie Caviglia, Colleen Carlson
Negotiating Parties for Seller: Tim Razzari

REGULAR SESSION

7:00 p.m.

Track 4

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION - Pastor Harry Wood, Methodist Church

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITION

- Proclamation declaring the month of May as Motorcycle Awareness Month
- Proclamation declaring May 10 Stamp Out Hunger Day

Council Member Shuklian presented a proclamation to Tom Swanson for Motorcycle Awareness Month.

Council Member Collins presented a proclamation to John Raycraft for Stamp Out Hunger Day.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW FIRE CHIEF - Mark Nelson

Interim Fire Chief Greg Glass introduced the new Fire Chief Mark Nelson and his wife Mary Kay. Chief Nelson will begin employment with the City of Visalia on June 16, 2008.

The Council expressed their thanks to Chief Glass for a fine job as Interim Fire Chief.

Track 5

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 street name and city.

None

6. Receive Planning Commission Action Agenda for the meeting of April 24, 2008.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA/ITEMS TO BE PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

No items pulled

GC/DL 4-0
All consent
items
approved

- 7. 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) Request for additional funds for The Loop, Visalia’s Youth Transportation System.
 - c) Authorize the re-structure of the Visalia Youth Committee from a formal City committee to an advisory group that will continue to support Recreation division staff.
 - d) Authorize the City Manager to execute a purchase and sale agreement with American Legion Board-Sierra Post #785, in the amount of \$23,250 for the purpose of acquiring a Public Utility Easement.
 - e) Award contract for the Visalia Police Department 9-1-1 upgrade to AT&T in the amount of \$213,542.32.
 - f) Request authorization to file a Notice of Completion for Park Place, Unit No. 3, containing 54 lots, located at the Westside of Lovers Lane between K Road and Caldwell Avenue.
 - g) Authorize the Recordation of the Final Map for Tentative Parcel Map 2008-03, located at the NE corner of Crowley Avenue and Neeley Street (1 Lot), authorize the City Manager to execute the Reimbursement Agreement, subject to City Attorney approval as to form, for Conditional Use Permit No. 2007-36, and authorize the formation of Landscape and Lighting District No. 08-04 for Conditional Use Permit No. 2007-39. APN 081-020-067. **Resolution Nos. 2008-23 and 2008-24 required.**

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DL/AS 4-0
Item 8
approved

8. PUBLIC HEARING (continued from April 21, 2008)

Authorize the City Manager to execute the following Affordable Housing Agreements:

- 1) Between the City of Visalia and Visalians Interested In Affordable Housing (VIAH)
- 2) Between the Visalia Redevelopment Agency & Kaweah Management Company;
- 3) Between the City of Visalia; Kaweah Management Company and VIAH

Property Location: located at the north corner of South Court Street and East Paradise Avenue. 1526 -1536 South Court Street, APN:097-261-022; 1544 S Court Street and 110 -148 East Paradise; APN’s 097-261-037, 038, 039 and 040.

Ricardo Noguera presented the information to Council and introduced one of the developers Ken Kugler. Mr. Kugler answered some of the Council’s specific questions about the proposal. Council discussed energy conservation measure to be taken.

Mayor Gamboa opened the public hearing at 7:30 p.m. There were no public comments.

Adjourn as the joint Visalia City Council and Community Redevelopment Agency and remain seated as the Visalia City Council

Track 9

9. Continued review of select FY 2008-09 & 2009-10 Capital Improvement budgets and future Capital Improvement Program (CIP) requests.

No action taken

Melody Murch reviewed the proposed CIP budgets and requests for 08-09 and 09-10. Departments were available to answer council questions. No action was requested or taken.

REPORT ON ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Track 10

City Attorney, Alex Peltzer, announced the appointment of the new Fire Chief Mark Nelson and reported the following real property acquisitions:

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION MATTERS FINALIZED BETWEEN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Buyer	Seller	APN Number	Address	Purpose	Closing Date	Project Manager
City of Visalia	Visalia Shannon Land Development Co	Portion of APN 078-120-011 .090 ac.	West side of Dinuba Blvd. between Shannon Ave. and Sedona Ave.	Orchard Walk Right of Way	4/25/08	Andrew Benelli
City of Visalia	DBO Development	APN 126-062-092 & 094 Outlot A & C of Parcel Map 4843	Along Packwood Creek/south of Stonebrook, north of Cameron and south of James	Future development of a trail along Packwood Creek	4/29/08	Don Stone

8:10 p.m. Meeting adjourned

Upcoming Council Meetings

- Monday, May 12, 2008, Special Council Meeting/Planning Commission interviews – 4:00 p.m. Convention Center, 303 E. Acequia
- Monday, May 12, 2008, Joint Meeting City Council and Visalia Unified School District – 6:00 p.m. - Convention Center, 303 E. Acequia
- Monday, May 19, 2008, Work Session 4:00 p.m. Regular Session 7:00 p.m. – City Council Chambers, 707 W. Acequia

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