

Visalia City Action Council Agenda

For the regular meeting of: MONDAY, June 16, 2008

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

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

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.

Track 1

SWEARING IN CEREMONY

- **Fire Chief Mark Nelson**

Fire Chief Mark Nelson was sworn into office by Chief Deputy City Clerk Donjia Huffmon. Chief Nelson's family pinned the badge. Councilmembers welcomed the new Fire Chief.

Track 2

WORK SESSION AND ACTION ITEMS (as described)

5:00 p.m.

Public Comment on Work Session and Closed Session Items -

1. Accept the Final Parks & Infrastructure Master Plan for East Downtown.

DL/BL 5-0
Item #1
approved

Ricardo Noguera, Housing and Economic Development Director, and Alma Du Solier, EDAW, shared a summary and highlights of the components of the Final Parks and Infrastructure Master Plan for East Downtown. The plan was distributed at the meeting and will be available on the City's web site. Noguera and Du Solier responded to Council questions and observations. A Programmatic EIR will need to be completed and will take approximately 12-18 months to complete.

Track 3

BL/AS 5-0
Item #2
approved

2. Receive recommendations for response for proposals submitted to the Federal Department of Transportation for Commercial Essential Air Service in Visalia (proposals received in Washington D.C. on June 13, 2008 with comments due by June 20, 2008.) *(No written materials to be distributed in advance of meeting. Staff report will be made available at the meeting)*

Mario Cifuentez, Airport Manager, distributed the staff report and indicated that proposals for Essential Air Service closed on Friday. Great Lakes submitted the only proposal. Cifuentez addressed Council questions regarding the proposal.

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.

Track #4

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Mayor Gamboa presented to Councilmembers Landers and Collins, tokens of appreciation that

were given to all Councilmembers from the Mayor of Miki City when he visited Visalia last month.

CLOSED SESSION

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

- 3. Conference With Real Property Negotiators (G.C. §54956.8)
 Property: 404 E. Center Street (APN: 094-285-008)
 Under Negotiation: Authority to negotiate terms and conditions
 Negotiating Parties for City: Steve Salomon, Leslie Caviglia, Monty Cox
 Negotiating Parties for Lessees: Hammad Taha and Ohammad Taha
- 4. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of 54956.9 GC)
 Name of Case: Elliot Farms LTD v. City of Visalia TCSC No. 08-228038

Track 5

REGULAR SESSION

7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION - Pastor Randy Janzen, Neighborhood Church

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITION

Track 6

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 street name and city.

None

Track 7 & 9
(results)

- 5. **PUBLIC HEARING** - Proposed funding changes, amendment, and assessment increases of balloted Landscape and Lighting Maintenance Assessment Districts. *(Upon completion of the public hearing, staff will open and tabulate the ballots. The results will be reported at the end of the meeting).*

Jason Montgomery, Financial Analyst, responded to questions of the Council on the four balloted districts. The public hearing was opened at 7:15 p.m. No members of the public spoke. Staff was excused to open and tabulate the ballots and report back at the end of the meeting.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Donjia Huffmon reported the results of the ballots at the end of the meeting. Results are as follows:

- Lisendra Heights - 104 Yes/45 No/3 unmarked - passes
- Los Rios/Casablanca - 62 Yes/ 39 No/1 unmarked - passes

- Country Akers III - 1 Yes/ 3 No - fails
- District #05-06 - 23 Yes/0 No - passes

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA/ITEMS TO BE PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

Councilmember Collins asked that item 6f be discussed separately.

DL/AS 5-0
balance of
consent
calendar
approved

6. 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.
- Authorization to read ordinances by title only.
 - Receive Planning Commission Action Agenda for the meeting of June 9, 2008,
 - Acknowledge receipt of letter dated June 3, 2008, from Wilson F. Wendt, attorney with Miller Starr Regalia representing the Imperial Group. This is a request for continuance on the appeal filed for CUP 2007-50; Social Security Administration's proposed relocation to 1337 S. Lovers Lane to Monday, August 18, 2008.
 - Authorization to file a Notice of Completion for Parcel Map 2006-22 (PM 4849), located at the Northeast corner of Demaree Street and Riggin Avenue.
 - Authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with the College of Sequoias that provides for the City's participation in the Federal Work Study Program for the 2008/2009 fiscal year.
 - Authorization for the City Manager to execute an FAA Grant Agreement in the amount of \$938,771 to fund the Marking of Runway 12/30 and add lighting for Declared Distances; installation of a security access gate; and design for connecting taxiway construction at the Visalia Municipal Airport.

GC/DL 5-0
Item 6f
approved

Mario Cifuentes responded to Councilmember Collins questions regarding the runway on the west side.

7. PUBLIC HEARING

GC/DL 5-0
Item 7a
approved

a) **General Plan Amendment No. 2007-09:** A request by Jeff Manquen (Jesus Gutierrez, agent) to change the General Plan land use designation from RLD (Residential Low Density) to PA (Professional Administrative Office) on 0.21 acres. The site is located at 501 South Court Street, on the southwest corner of Court Street and Olive Avenue. APN: 097-033-002 **Resolution 2008-33 required.**

GC/DL 5-0
Item 7b
approved

b) **Introduction of Ordinance for First Reading of Change of Zone No. 2007-10:** A request by Jeff Manquen (Jesus Gutierrez, agent) to change the zoning from R-1-6 (Single-Family Residential, 6,000 sq. ft. minimum lot size) to PA (Professional Administrative/Office) and inclusion in Design District C on 0.21 acres. The site is located at 501 South Court Street, on the southwest corner of Court Street and Olive Avenue. APN: 097-033-002. **Ordinance 2008-05 required.**

Paul Scheibel, Planning Department, presented the staff report. The public hearing was opened by Mayor Gamboa. The following persons spoke in favor of the project during the public hearing: Jesus Gutierrez, agent for owner; Jeff Manquen, business owner.

Council asked questions relating to property use and parking. The Council also asked questions regarding the future of this area and the possibility of additional commercial conversions keeping in mind the integrity of the neighborhood. The Council asked staff to look at this area further

8. **PUBLIC HEARING** and Overview of the 2008/09-2009/10 budget

- Analysis of the General Fund and Enterprises

Track 8

Item 8 – No action taken. Continued to 6/23/08

Administrative Services Manager, Eric Frost, provided a verbal overview of the 2008-2009 and 2009-2010 budget and responded to Council comments. The public hearing was opened at 8:45 p.m. Bill Huott thanked the Council for their work and gave an update on happenings at the Oval Park. There were no other public comments and the public hearing was closed. Council commended Finance staff for a tremendous job.

Track 9

BL/AS 5 -0 meeting adjourned to 6/23/08 as recommended

9. Adjourn regular meeting to Monday, June 23, 2008, 7:00 p.m. at the Visalia Convention Center, 303 E. Acequia for the following items: *(Motion required)*

- Measure T recertification
- Proposition 4 Expenditure Limit Report
- Redevelopment Budget
- Continued PUBLIC HEARING Budget 2008/09-2009/10 and potential adoption
- Award bid #07-08-23 “Cape Seal Various City Streets” and negotiated additions

REPORT ON ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION MATTERS FINALIZED BETWEEN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Buyer	Seller	APN Number	Address	Purpose	Closing Date	Project Manager
City of Visalia	Razzari, Timothy and Billie	APN 094-285-008	404 E. Center	Close proximity to Transit Center	6/6/08	Monty Cox

Meeting adjourned 9:00 p.m.

Upcoming Council Meetings

- Monday, June 23, 2008, Special Session 5:30 p.m., Joint City Council and Kaweah Delta District Hospital Board – 400 W. Mineral King, Blue Room (Basement Conference Room)
- Monday, June 23, 2008, Adjourned Regular Meeting from June 16, 2008, 7:10 p.m. Convention Center, 303 E. Acequia.
- Monday, June 23, 2008, Special Meeting (immediately following adjourned Regular Meeting) Convention Center, 303 E. Acequia.
- Monday, July 14, 2008, Work Session 4:00 p.m. Special Session 7:00 p.m. – Convention Center 303 E. Acequia

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Any written materials relating to an item on this agenda submitted to the Council after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk, 425 E. Oak Street, Visalia, CA 93291, during normal business hours.

Submitted by Donjia Huffmon, Chief Deputy City Clerk