

Visalia City Council Agenda

For the regular meeting of: MONDAY, August 3, 2009

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.

4:00 p.m.

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SWEARING IN CEREMONY

Assistant Chief Mestas will administer the Oath of Office to Julia Jiminez, Police Officer.

4:05 p.m.

WORK SESSION AND ACTION ITEMS (as described)

4:05 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON WORK SESSION AND CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

4:20 p.m.

1. Update regarding East Tulare County Short Line Railroad
2. Update on Mooney Boulevard improvements including Cal Trans Project, City Intersections (Walnut and Whitendale) and Street Tree Project by CSET and the Urban Tree Foundation.
3. Update on Rule 20A Utility Undergrounding Districts

4:45 p.m.

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. Public Employee Appointment (GC Section 54957)
Title: Interim Police Chief
5. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation – Potential initiation of litigation pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 54956.9) – one potential case
6. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of GC Section 54956.9)
Name of case: Solis v. City of Visalia (TCSC 09-232070)
7. Conference with Real Property Negotiators (GC 54956.8)
Property: 16 acres on the south side of Hillsdale Avenue at Tommy Street east of Akers Street (APN 085-010-096)
Under Negotiation: Terms and conditions of potential lease agreement
Negotiating parties for City: Steve Salomon, Mike Olmos, Chris Tavares
Negotiating Parties for Lessee: Sam Sciacca

REGULAR SESSION

7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION – Pastor Mark DiGiralamo, Visalia 1st Assembly of God

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 street name and city.

8. INFORMATION ITEMS – (No action required)
 - a) Receive Planning Commission Action Agenda for the meeting of July 27, 2009.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA/ITEMS TO BE PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

9. 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) Approval of Mutual Aid Agreement between the College of the Sequoias Community College District Police Department and the Visalia Police Department
- c) Request authorization to file a Notice of Completion for the Acequia Avenue Two Way Traffic Conversion Project, Project No. 3011-00000-720000-0-8056 (Final Cost \$556,097.49).
- d) Approve the Cooperative Agreement between the City of Visalia and the Visalia Parks and Recreation Foundation.
- e) Award a construction contract and authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement for RFB No. 08-09-62 Houston Avenue Widening Project, Santa Fe / Ben Maddox Way - Project No. 9026 in the amount of \$1,833,013.00, to the low bidder, Jim Crawford Construction Company, Inc.
- f) Authorization to expand the current project scope for the Village Park - Wittman Center Renovation Project (3011-0-72-0-9865) by a final additional amount of \$56,500, using State Park Bond Act monies and CDBG funds.
- g) Authorization for the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant award for \$351,363 for the FY 09 Recovery Act Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG).
- h) Authorize the City Manager to execute a Project Improvement Agreement and Reimbursement Agreement with the Diocese of Fresno Education Corporation for the necessary street and other related improvements located at the southeast corner of Akers Street and Caldwell Avenue. APN 119-070-071.
- i) Authorization to file a Notice of Completion for Parking Lot No. 45 at 409 E. Murray Avenue located generally between Bridge Street and Santa Fe Street. (Project, No. 6111-00000-720000-0-9695)

REPORT ON ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION MATTERS FINALIZED BETWEEN COUNCIL MEETINGS

- 10. Adjourn to Parking Lot No. 45 located at 409 E. Murray to view pervious pavement and solar street lighting.

Upcoming Council Meetings

- Monday, August 17, 2009, 4:00 p.m. Work Session; Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m., Council Chambers 707 W. Acequia
- Tuesday, September 8, 2009, 4:00 p.m. Work Session; Special Meeting 7:00 p.m., Council Chambers 707 W. Acequia
- Monday, September 21, 2009, 4:00 p.m. Work Session; Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m., Council Chambers 707 W. Acequia

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