

# Visalia City Council Action Agenda

For the special meeting of: MONDAY, December 14, 2009

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

Mayor: Bob Link - *present*  
Vice Mayor: Amy Shuklian - *present*  
Council Member: Warren Gubler - *present*  
Council Member: Mike Lane - *present*  
Council Member: Steve Nelsen - *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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4:00 p.m.  
Track 1

**BADGE PINNING CEREMONY** - newly promoted Police Sergeants: James Andrews, Damon Maurice, Chris McLain, Amy Watkins

Police Chief Mestas conducted the Badge Pinning Ceremony.

4:05 p.m.  
Track 2

**WORK SESSION AND ACTION ITEMS (as described)**

**4:05 p.m.**

**Public Comment on Work Session and Closed Session Items**

Dan Maxey, E. Sycamore, requested the Council to look in to the special assessment district in the NE Section of Visalia and what the funds collected are used for. Mayor Link referred Mr. Maxey to speak with Administrative Services Director Eric Frost.

Track 3  
WG/AS 5-0  
Item 1  
approved as  
submitted

1. Authorization for City Manager to sign a joint letter with Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) and any other documents as needed to request and acquire funding from State Route 198 Widening Tulare/Kings project savings. **Receive public comment.**

Chris Young, Assistant Community Development Director, and Ted Smalley, TCAG Executive Director, presented the request and answered Council questions.

Track 4  
AS/SN 5-0  
Item 2  
approved as  
submitted

2. Authorize the City Manager to approve a one-year Professional Services Agreement with Van Scoyoc Associates in the amount of \$89,000 for federal legislative services, effective January 1, 2010. **Receive public comment.**

Mike Olmos, Assistant City Manager, presented the background and process of selection of the federal legislative services and responded to Council questions.

*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 - none**

Adjourn to  
closed session  
4:45 p.m.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

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

3. Public Employee Release/Discipline/Dismissal (G.C. 54961)
4. Public Employee Appointment (G.C. Section 54957)  
Title: Police Chief
5. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation  
Initiation of litigation pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 54956.9: two potential cases

### **REPORT ON ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

Track 5

Alex Peltzer, City Attorney, reported the following actions taken in closed session:

Item 3 – unanimous decision to approve an Industrial Disability Retirement for Police Officer Mike Grotto. (Resolution 2009-61 adopted)

Item 4 – unanimous decision to appoint Colleen Mestas as Police Chief.

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

6:05 p.m.  
Meeting  
Adjourned

#### **Upcoming Council Meetings**

- Monday, December 21, 2009, 4:00 p.m. Work Session; Regular Session 7:00 p.m., Council Chambers 707 W. Acequia
- Monday, January 11, 2010, 4:00 p.m. Work Session; Special Meeting 7:00 p.m., Convention Center, 303 E. Acequia
- Tuesday, January 19, 2010, 4:00 p.m. Work Session; Regular Session 7:00 p.m., Council Chambers, 707 W.. Acequia

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Submitted by Donjia Huffmon, CMC, Chief Deputy City Clerk