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Fresno City Councilmember **District 1**

*****MEDIA ADVISORY*****

City of Fresno Announces \$467,374.35 In Unclaimed Utility Account Customer Refunds. Does the City of Fresno Owe You Money?

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FRESNO, CA – On Thurs, September 17, 2020, Councilmember Soria questioned staff's recommendation at Council to move \$467,374.35 worth of uncashed check's to the Utilities operating fund. The uncashed checks represent excess city utilities customer fees and deposits during the period of December 28, 2000 through December 30, 2016.

City of Fresno recently published notification of unclaimed funds in local Fresno newspapers. As a further outreach, Councilmember Soria has asked that the City make a last effort to reach customers that have outstanding check to claim their funds.

City of Fresno residents and organizations can visit www.fresno.gov/finance/#tab-2 for more information and a full list of unclaimed checks. If residents or organizations are listed below and would like to request a new check they may contact (559) 621-7037 or email Finance@fresno.gov to request a Stop Payment Form. Once approved a new check will be mailed within three weeks.

The following link shows a full list of unclaimed checks older than 3 years:

<https://www.fresno.gov/finance/wp-content/uploads/sites/11/2020/02/Escheat-Post-thru-063019.pdf>

List of Outstanding Checks as of 08/31/2020:

<https://www.fresno.gov/finance/wp-content/uploads/sites/11/2016/08/OutstandingChecks.pdf>