# City of Fresno

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# Meeting Minutes - Final

Thursday, August 19, 2021

9:00 AM

**Regular Meeting** 

**Electronic Only** 

City Council

President – Luis Chavez
Vice President – Nelson Esparza
Councilmembers:
Esmeralda Z. Soria, Mike Karbassi, Miguel Angel Arias, Tyler Maxwell, Garry
Bredefeld

City Manager – Thomas Esqueda City Attorney – Douglas T. Sloan Interim City Clerk – Briana Parra, CMC

#### 9:00 A.M. ROLL CALL

Council President Chavez called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M.

**Present: 7** Council President Luis Chavez

Council Vice President Nelson Esparza
Councilmember Esmeralda Soria
Councilmember Mike Karbassi
Councilmember Miguel Arias
Councilmember Tyler Maxwell

Councilmember Garry Bredefeld

Absent: 0

**ID 21-23002** Invocation

Invocation was provided by Reverend Robin Mathews-Johnson from Wesley Unitied Methodist Church

ID 21-23003 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

#### APPROVE AGENDA

Interim City Clerk Parra announced the following changes to the agenda:

The following items were numbered incorrectly: 1:30 P.M. timed item should read 2-I, not 2-F and the 6:00 P.M. timed item should read 2-J. not 2-I.

Special meeting notice was posted for:

1. Closed Session

File ID 21-23269 - Conference with Real Property Negotiator -Government Code Section 54956. Property: UMC Campus; Negotiating Parties: City Manager, County of Fresno; Under Negotiations: Price and terms of sale

Sponsors: Council Vice President Esparza

2. Consent Calendar

File ID 21-23270 - Approve Resolution Exercising City's Rights under the Surplus Land Act regarding the UMC Campus owned by the County of Fresno

Sponsors: Council Vice President Esparza

Council President Chavez recused himself from the special meeting Closed Session and Consent Calendar Items.

The following items were requested to be removed from the agenda with no return date:

1-W File ID 21-23203 – Approve an agreement with MLA Green Inc., DBA Studio MLA, in the amount of \$781,195 plus a contingency not to exceed \$34,500 for the design and preparation of construction documents for the Transformative Climate Communities #13 Park at MLK Magnet Core Project (Council District 3) was removed from the agenda with no return date by Director Mozier.

Councilmember Arias directed staff to provide Council with a memo on the above item.

- 2-C File ID 21-23176 Public hearing to consider the adoption of Plan Amendment Application No. P19-04226 and related Final Program Environmental Impact Report (FPEIR), State Clearinghouse (SCH) # 2019050005. The following applications have been filed by the Planning and Development Department Director and pertain to the Planning Area of the City of Fresno:
- 1. REVIEW AND CONSIDER Final Program Environmental Impact Report (Draft PEIR SCH No. 2019050005, Response to Comments Document, Recirculated Draft PEIR and Response to Comments Document), apply the Council's independent judgment and analyses to the review, and then certify the FPEIR including the Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Reduction Plan set forth in Appendix G of the FPEIR, as having been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), based on the Commission's recommendations on the proposed Final Program EIR and comments thereon.
- a. ADOPT an appropriate Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) as required by Public Resources Code Section 21081.6 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15097;
- b. FIND that based upon testimony presented by staff, there are significant, unavoidable, environmental impacts which have not been mitigated to a level below significant. Therefore, the City Council should adopt the findings of fact and consider an appropriate statement of overriding considerations pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081 and CEQA Guidelines Sections 15091 and 15093; and
- c. ADOPT the GHG Reduction Plan Update set forth in Appendix G, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.5(b).
- 2. APPROVE Plan Amendment Application No P19-04226 which requests authorization to amend the text of the Fresno General Plan Mobility and Transportation Element to add a Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) policy consistent with California Senate Bill (SB) 743 and to revise policies and text relating to Level of Service (LOS) metrics to update applicability was removed from the agenda by Councilmember Arias.

The following items were requested to be removed from the agenda and continued to the

#### following date:

- 1-E File ID 21-23157 Actions related to the purchase of Emission Reduction Credits for the ongoing operation of the Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility, as required by the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (Council District 3):
- 1. Adopt Environmental Assessment No. P20-00072, dated May 25, 2021, a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility Waste Gas Flare Project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA);
- 2. Approve a Consultant Services Agreement with AQC Environmental Brokerage Services, Inc. of Huntington Beach, California, to broker the purchase of Sulfur Oxide (SOx) and Nitrogen Oxide (NOx) Emission Reduction Credits, in an amount not to exceed 0.05% of the total purchase price of the Emission Reduction Credits; and
- 3. Authorize the Director of Public Utilities, or designee, to execute an Emission Reduction Credit Purchase and Sale Agreement, for the purchase of 62,042 pounds of SOx Emission Reduction Credits and 3,219 pounds of NOx Emission Reduction Credits, in an amount not to exceed \$327,000 was removed from the agenda by Councilmember Arias and continued to September 2, 2021.

1-L File ID 21-23112-02 – Approve the reappointment of Paul Halajian, and Jason Hatwig to the Historic Preservation Commission, and approve the re-appointment of Michael McDonald to the Civil Service Board was removed from the agenda by Councilmember Karbassi and Councilmember Arias and continued to September 2, 2021.

The following items were requested to be pulled from the Consent Calendar and moved to Contested Consent for further discussion.

- 1. File ID 21-23162 (1-F) Actions pertaining to a solar and energy storage project at the Southeast Surface Water Treatment Facility (Council District 4):
  - 1. Adopt the Addendum to Mitigated Negative Declaration SCH No. 2015081062, dated July 19, 2021, prepared for the Southeast Surface Water Treatment Facility Solar Power Project pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Sections 15162 and 15164.
  - 2. Approve an Amended and Restated cooperative purchase Energy Services Agreement-Solar with FFP BTM Solar, LLC, for the design, financing, construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of a 4,017.6 kW (DC) (estimated) solar photovoltaic system at the Southeast Surface Water Treatment Facility and the purchase of energy generated by the system.
  - 3. Approve an Amended and Restated cooperative purchase Energy Services Agreement-Energy Storage with FFP BTM Solar, LLC, for the design, financing, construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of a 1,000 kW / 1,914 kWh (estimated) energy storage system at the Southeast Surface Water Treatment

- Facility to obtain utility demand charge reductions was pulled by Councilmember Arias.
- 2. File ID 21-23186 (1-I) \*\*\*RESOLUTION Adopting the 2nd Amendment to the Annual Appropriation Resolution No. 2021-178 appropriating \$25,000 for administration of the Equitable Economic Mobility Initiative Grant (Requires 5 affirmative votes) (Subject to Mayor's Veto) was pulled by Councilmember Bredefeld.
- 3. File ID 21-23231 (1-J) RESOLUTION– Designating the City Manager as the signature authority for all City-owned properties to be included in the Downtown Fresno Property Business Improvement District was pulled by Councilmember Arias.
- 4. File ID 21-22541-01 (1-M) Approve the reappointment of Caine Christensen to the Fresno Housing Authority was pulled by Councilmember Arias.
- 5. File ID 21-23165 (1-N) Approve Project-Specific Tax Sharing Agreement Between the City of Fresno and the County of Fresno Regarding Dakota Hayes No. 4 Reorganization was pulled by Councilmember Arias.
- 6. File ID 21-23200 (1-P) Actions pertaining to the Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Mitigation Program:
  - 1. \*\*\*RESOLUTION Adopting the 3rd Amendment to the Annual Appropriation Resolution No. 2021-178 Appropriating \$150,000 for the City of Fresno Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Mitigation Program (Requires 5 affirmative votes) (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
  - 2. Approve a consultant services agreement with LSA Associates, Inc., for professional environmental planning and fiscal analysis services related to the development of a Vehicle Miles Traveled Mitigation Program in the amount of \$269,157.73 with a contingency in the amount of \$29,472.38 was pulled by Councilmember Karbassi.
- 7. File ID 21-23175 (1-S) Reject all proposals for annual tree trimming (Bid File 9534) (Citywide) was pulled by Councilmember Arias.
- 8. File ID 21-23166 (1-AA) Resolution Authorizing Submission of Applications for Grant Funds from the 2021/2022 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program and the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program Call for Projects from the Fresno Council of Governments and Authorizing the Execution of all Application related documents by the Public Works Director,

Director of Transportation, or designees (Citywide) was pulled by Councilmember Karbassi.

- 9. File ID 21-23214 (1-DD) \*\*\*RESOLUTION Allocating a portion of card room gross revenue permit fees for specific purposes (Subject to Mayor's Veto) was pulled by Councilmember Arias.
- File ID 21-23218 (1-FF) Award of Contract for Redistricting Outreach Services to one of the following: Imprenta Communications Group or Tripepi Smith was pulled by Councilmember Karbassi.

Councilmember Soria recused herself from the following items:

2-D File ID 21-23197 (10:00 A.M. #4) – Actions pertaining to Club One Casino, Inc. Card Room Permit Application:

- 1. CONTINUED HEARING to consider the Club One Casino, Inc. Card Room Permit Application on August 19, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.
- 2. RESOLUTION Granting a Card Room Permit to Club One Casino, Inc pursuant to the City of Fresno Card Room Ordinance

3-B File ID 21-23217 – JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL, SUCCESSOR AGENCY, AND THE CITY IN ITS CAPACITY AS HOUSING SUCCESSOR TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF FRESNO

Consider First Amendment to Amended and Restated Disposition and Development Agreement with Noyan Frazier Capital L.P. for the South Stadium project (City action)

5-G File ID 21-23216 – CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR - Government Code Section 54956.8

Property: APN 468-282-05T, 468-282-22T, 468-282-23T (South Stadium) Negotiating Parties: Executive Director Murphey, Noyan Frazier Capital, L.P.

Under Negotiations: Terms of sale

On motion of Councilmember Soria, seconded by Council Vice President Esparza, the above item be Adopted as Amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chavez, Esparza, Soria, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Bredefeld

Status: 7 - 0 – Pass

#### **CEREMONIAL PRESENTATIONS**

ID 21-23078 Proclamation for "Major Nhia Long Vang"

PRESENTED

ID 21-23156 Proclamation of American Muslim Appreciation and Awareness Month

PRESENTED

## **COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

Councilmember Soria and Councilmember Arias asked staff for an update on the EV stations at Inspiration Park and how many EV stations are currently down due to being vandalized. Councilmember Soria thanked City staff and PG&E for working on the Shields and Harrison traffic signal. On Tuesday, August 17, 2021, she toured the Link Apartments, one of the newest affordable housing complex on Blackstone and McKinley.

Councilmember Karbassi thanked District 2 staff for all their help the last two years. He thanked Police Chief Balderrama and Fresno Police Department for all their hard work as the crime continues to rise. He spoke regarding Major Nhia Long Vang and the America Muslim community proclamation and addressed the crisis that is occurring in Afghanistan.

Councilmember Arias spoke regarding the homeless individuals who have rejected the City of Fresno's help in housing and services. He spoke regarding his district being happy with all the tree trimming that has taken place in District 3. He asked if additional police patrols have been finalized in Motel Drive. He asked for the Administration to provide an update on commercial garbage compactors in downtown Chinatown.

Councilmember Maxwell thanked everyone involved with the cleanup event at El Dorado Park; he thanked Wesley United Methodist Church, El Dorado Park Community Development Corporation, Jackie Holmes, Alpha Gamma, and Tree Fresno. He thanked Chief Balderrama for providing him with a tour last week of the old CSI facility, dispatch facility, records management department, and real time crime center. He thanked Fresno State Associated Students Inc. (ASI), James Martinez, Director of Operations and President D'Aungillique Jackson. He thanked Trinity Lutheran Church for partnering up with District 4 to provide Covid testing and was able to get about 40 individuals vaccinated. He thanked Reverend Edward Thomas who worked with District 4 for assisting in the "Kick it" outreach program at Cary Park where he provided shoes for hundreds of families who are going back to school. He spoke regarding "Beat the Heat"

events at Melody Park and Robinson Park; and thanked and his staff for all their help on the outreach. He asked the Administration for an update on hiring a new PARKS director the status of Wi-Fi on the public transportation.

Councilmember Bredefeld spoke regarding the Medical Freedom Rally event and addressed some of the concerns from employees regarding the memo that was sent out by the City Manager's Office requiring employees to be vaccinated or participate in a weekly COVID testing.

Council Vice President Esparza spoke regarding "Beat the Heat" and the National Night Out event. He congratulated Deputy Chief Farrah and Central Commander Beckwith on their recent promotion. He asked the Administration for an update on the two-person cleanup crew that was budgeted for District 7. He spoke regarding the Manchester community cleanup. He spoke regarding the special meeting notice regarding UMC Campus property.

Council President Chavez thanked the Administration for working with District 5 on all their projects.

#### MAYOR/MANAGER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Mayor Dyer spoke regarding his participation with the President of the United States in discussing the bipartisan infrastructure package. He thanked the Council for participating in the citywide community cleanup. He spoke regarding the 5th kick off of the neighborhood blitz in District 1 between McKinley and Shields. He gave a special thanks to all the crews and those who were involved in the effort. He thanked Chief Balderrama and the Fresno Police Department on the Gang Operation in the City and the number of guns being removed from the City of Fresno.

Assistant City Manager White spoke regarding the tray memos that were sent to Council regarding Covid 19 transmission reduction plan, cannabis buffer map, community outreach summary on the Club One Casino application, and the operation cleanup schedule.

### UNSCHEDULED COMMUNICATION

City Council recessed into Closed Session at 10:47 A.M. and returned from Closed Session at 12:02 P.M. The following closed session items were discussed: 5-D, 5-E, and 5-G. There was no announcements after.

City Council recessed for lunch at 12:03 P.M. and returned from lunch at 1:31 P.M.

Upon call, the following members of the public addressed Council: Charles Alexanian, Vicki Westburg, Brandi Villegas, Christina Olague, Dez Martinez, Lisa Flores, Debbie Nard, Eric Payne, Karla Martinez, Eric Payne, and Karla Martinez.

## 1. CONSENT CALENDAR

On motion of Councilmember Arias, seconded by Councilmember Bredefeld, the below Consent Calendar items were approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chavez, Esparza, Soria, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Bredefeld Status: 7-0-Pass

- **1-A ID 21-23181** Approval of Minutes for July 29, 2021 Regular Meeting, July 29, 2021 Special Meeting, July 29, 2021 Special Emergency Closed Session Meeting, and August 5, 2021 Special Closed Session Meeting.
- **1-B ID 21-23108** Reject the sole bid received for the Requirements Contract to Rehabilitate Public Water Supply Wells and Reclamation Wells (Bid File 9604) (City Wide)
- **1-C ID 21-23109** Approve an Infrastructure Reimbursement Agreement with Fancher Creek Town Center, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$449,306.00, for the construction of certain sewer improvements associated with the Fancher Creek master-planned project (Council District 5).
- 1-D ID 21-23153 Approve a Consultant Services Agreement with Blair, Church & Flynn Consulting Engineers, Inc., to design a Water Transmission Grid Main in Van Ness Avenue from Divisadero Street to Merced Street, in an amount not to exceed \$287,700 (Council District 3)
- **1-E ID 21-23157** Actions related to the purchase of Emission Reduction Credits for the ongoing operation of the Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility, as required by the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (Council District 3):
  - 1. Adopt Environmental Assessment No. P20-00072, dated May 25, 2021, a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility Waste Gas Flare Project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA);
  - 2. Approve a Consultant Services Agreement with AQC Environmental Brokerage Services, Inc. of Huntington Beach, California, to broker the purchase of Sulfur Oxide (SOx) and Nitrogen Oxide (NOx) Emission Reduction Credits, in

an amount not to exceed 0.05% of the total purchase price of the Emission Reduction Credits; and

3. Authorize the Director of Public Utilities, or designee, to execute an Emission Reduction Credit Purchase and Sale Agreement, for the purchase of 62,042 pounds of SOx Emission Reduction Credits and 3,219 pounds of NOx Emission Reduction Credits, in an amount not to exceed \$327,000.

The above item was removed from the agenda and continued to September 2, 2021.

- **1-F ID 21-23162** Actions pertaining to a solar and energy storage project at the Southeast Surface Water Treatment Facility (Council District 4):
  - 1. Adopt the Addendum to Mitigated Negative Declaration SCH No. 2015081062, dated July 19, 2021, prepared for the Southeast Surface Water Treatment Facility Solar Power Project pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Sections 15162 and 15164.
  - 2. Approve an Amended and Restated cooperative purchase Energy Services Agreement-Solar with FFP BTM Solar, LLC, for the design, financing, construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of a 4,017.6 kW (DC) (estimated) solar photovoltaic system at the Southeast Surface Water Treatment Facility and the purchase of energy generated by the system.
  - 3. Approve an Amended and Restated cooperative purchase Energy Services Agreement-Energy Storage with FFP BTM Solar, LLC, for the design, financing, construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of a 1,000 kW / 1,914 kWh (estimated) energy storage system at the Southeast Surface Water Treatment Facility to obtain utility demand charge reductions.

The above item was pulled from the Consent Calendar by Councilmember Arias and moved to Contested Consent for further discussion.

The above item was introduced to Council by Director Carbajal, Department of Public Utilities.

CONTINUED

On motion of Councilmember Arias, seconded by Councilmember Karbassi, the above item be continued to September 2, 2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chavez, Esparza, Soria, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Bredefeld

Status: 7 - 0 - Pass

- **1-G ID 21-23101** Reject all bids received for the purchase of two Freightliner M2 106 cab and chassis trucks for the Department of Public Works, Street Maintenance Division (Bid File #3819)
- 1-H ID 21-23102 Approve the award of a cooperative purchase agreement to Aries Industries, Inc. of Waukesha, WI, for the purchase of one Wolverine 2.0 cutting system in the amount of \$180,425, procured by means of a cooperative purchase agreement with HGAC, for the Department of Public Utilities, Wastewater Management Division
- **1-I ID 21-23186** \*\*\*RESOLUTION Adopting the 2nd Amendment to the Annual Appropriation Resolution No. 2021-178 appropriating \$25,000 for administration of the Equitable Economic Mobility Initiative Grant (Requires 5 affirmative votes) (Subject to Mayor's Veto).

The above item was pulled from the Consent Calendar by Councilmember Bredefeld and moved to Contested Consent for further discussion.

The above item was introduced to council by FUSE Corps Executive, Clair Whitmer.

Councilmember Bredefeeld requested staff provide council with the business tax date in the future.

RESOLUTION 2021-206 ADOPTED

On motion of Councilmember Soria, seconded by Councilmember Bredefeld, the above item be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Chavez, Esparza, Soria, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Bredefeld **Status:** 7 – 0 – **Pass** 

**1-J ID 21-23231** RESOLUTION— Designating the City Manager as the signature authority for all City-owned properties to be included in the Downtown Fresno Property Business Improvement District..

The above item was pulled from the Consent Calendar by Councilmember Arias and moved to Contested Consent for further discussion.

Councilmember Arias motioned to adopt the item on the condition that the City Manager is allowed to correct the Assessors Parcel Number (APN) and assessment amounts as listed to make sure they are fully accurate to allow them to pursue their election. Council President

Chavez seconded the motion.

RESOLUTION 2021-207 ADOPTED AS AMENDED

On motion of Councilmember Arias, seconded by Council President Chavez, the above item be Adopted as Amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Chavez, Esparza, Soria, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Bredefeld **Status:** 7 – 0 – **Pass** 

- 1-K ID 21-23149 Approve the purchase from Kovarus, Inc., of Dell backup hardware and support in the amount of \$238,832.90. This purchase is to support the Information Services Department's (ISD) data backup and recovery processes. In accordance with Administrative Order 3-1, the hardware is being purchased through a competitive purchase agreement with the State of California Department of General Services (DGS) contract number 1-19-70-19D-2. This purchase is an enhancement to our CyberSecurity stance as it will increase backup data security.
- **1-L ID 21-23112-02** Approve the reappointment of Paul Halajian, and Jason Hatwig to the Historic Preservation Commission, and approve the reappointment of Michael McDonald to the Civil Service Board.

The above item was removed from the agenda and continued to September 2, 2021

**1-M ID 21-22541-01** Approve the reappointment of Caine Christensen to the Fresno Housing Authority.

The above item was pulled from the Consent Calendar by Councilmember Arias and moved to Contested Consent for further discussion.

There was no introduction to council and no council discussion.

CONTINUED

On motion of Councilmember Arias, seconded by Councilmember Karbassi, the above item be continued to September 2, 2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chavez, Esparza, Soria, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Bredefeld

Status: 7 - 0 - Pass

**1-N ID 21-23165** Approve Project-Specific Tax Sharing Agreement Between the City of Fresno and the County of Fresno Regarding Dakota Hayes No. 4 Reorganization

The above item was pulled from the Consent Calendar by Councilmember Arias and moved to Contested Consent for further discussion.

The item was introduced to Council by Mayor Dyer, Office of the Mayor and City Manager and Director Mozier, Public Works Department.

Councilmember Arias requested a information from the staff to better understand the invocations of a standalone agreement, the timeline for the infrastructure improvements, how it will be funded, and what the CFDs cover.

**APPROVED** 

On motion of Councilmember Soria, seconded by Councilmember Arias, the above item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chavez, Esparza, Soria, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Bredefeld

Status: 7 - 0 - Pass

## 1-O ID 21-23198 (CONTINUED TO SEPTEMBER 16, 2021)

\*\*\*RESOLUTION - Adopting submission of Substantial Amendment 2020-02 to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan and authorizing submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to program \$1,159,704.42 in program income from the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

The above item was continued to September 16, 2021

- **1-P ID 21-23200** Actions pertaining to the Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Mitigation Program:
  - 1. \*\*\*RESOLUTION Adopting the 3rd Amendment to the Annual Appropriation Resolution No. 2021-178 Appropriating \$150,000 for the City of Fresno Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Mitigation Program (Requires 5 affirmative votes) (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
  - 2. Approve a consultant services agreement with LSA Associates, Inc., for professional environmental planning and fiscal analysis services related to the

development of a Vehicle Miles Traveled Mitigation Program in the amount of \$269,157.73 with a contingency in the amount of \$29,472.38

The above item was pulled from the Consent Calendar by Councilmember Karbassi and moved to Contested Consent for further discussion

The item was introduced to Council by Planning Manager Pagoulatos, Planning and Development Department.

Councilmember Bredefeld spoke in opposition of the item.

RESOLUTION 2021-208 ADOPTED

On motion of Councilmember Karbassi, seconded by Councilmember Soria, the above item be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chavez, Esparza, Soria, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell

No: Bredefeld

Status: 6-1 – Pass

- **1-Q ID 21-23170** Approve the FY21 Annual Participation Agreement for the Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement for the period of July 1, 2020 June 30, 2021 and Certification Program for the disposition of \$10,710.51 in funds forfeited in connection with a crime and authorize the City Manager and the Chief of Police to execute related documents.
- 1-R ID 21-23167 Authorize the Chief of Police to enter into five separate, one-year, agreements with the Housing Authority of the City of Fresno; Fresno Edison Apartments I, LP; Fresno Edison Apartments II, LP; Southeast Fresno Rental Assistance Demonstration; and Viking Village Rental Assistance Demonstration to provide additional security and protection services for public housing in an amount not to exceed \$318,272.
- **1-S ID 21-23175** Reject all proposals for annual tree trimming (Bid File 9534) (Citywide)

The above item was pulled from the Consent Calendar by Councilmember Arias and moved to Contested Consent for further discussion.

The item was introduced to Council by Director Mozier, Public Works Department.

Councilmembers directed staff to include in the specifications the first fiscal year, that the work that was already funded for the year be done in the six month period and that this will not delay any of the plans to implement the \$2.8 million in tree trimming that was already authorized.

**APPROVED** 

On motion of Councilmember Arias, seconded by Councilmember Soria, the above item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chavez, Esparza, Soria, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Bredefeld

Status: 7 - 0 - Pass

- 1-T ID 21-23173 Approve Contract Change Order No. 11 in the amount of \$50,000 and Twenty (20) working days to the Contract Time to Doug Ross, Inc., dba Central Valley Asphalt for the South Van Ness Industrial Area Roadway and Utilities Infrastructure Improvement project for a total contract value of \$3,479,290 (Council Districts 3 and 5)
- **1-U ID 21-23024** Actions pertaining to Final Map of Tract No. 6224
  - 1. RESOLUTION Approving the Final Map of Tract No. 6224, of Vesting Tentative Tract Map No. 6224, and accepting dedicated public uses offered therein except for dedications offered subject to City acceptance of developer installed required improvements east side of Temperance between Shields Avenue and Clinton Avenue (Council District 4)
  - 2. \*\*\*RESOLUTION 7th Amendment to the Annual Appropriation Resolution (AAR) No. 2021-159 to appropriate \$672,900 in developer contributions for the acquisition of right of way for public street and public utility easements for Final Map of Tract No 6224 on the east side of Temperance between Shields Avenue and Clinton Avenue (Council District 4) (Requires 5 affirmative votes) (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

RESOLUTION 2021-209 ADOPTED RESOLUTION 2021-210 ADOPTED

- **1-V ID 21-23174** Actions pertaining to Final Map of Tract No. 6162
  - 1. RESOLUTION Approving the Final Map of Tract No. 6162, of Vesting Tentative Tract Map No. 6162, and accepting dedicated public uses offered therein except for dedications offered subject to City acceptance of developer installed required improvements northeast corner of Ashlan and Hayes (Council District 1)
  - 2. \*\*\*RESOLUTION 9th Amendment to the Annual Appropriation Resolution

(AAR) No. 2021-178 to appropriate \$589,000 in developer contributions for the acquisition of right-of-way for public street and public utility easements for the Final Map of Tract No 6162 at the northeast corner of Ashlan and Hayes. (Council District 1) (Requires 5 affirmative votes)(Subject to Mayor's Veto)

RESOLUTION 2021-211 ADOPTED RESOLUTION 2021-212 ADOPTED

**1-W ID 21-23203** Approve an agreement with MLA Green Inc., DBA Studio MLA, in the amount of \$781,195 plus a contingency not to exceed \$34,500 for the design and preparation of construction documents for the Transformative Climate Communities #13 Park at MLK Magnet Core Project (Council District 3).

The above item was removed from the agenda by staff.

1-X ID 21-23171 RESOLUTION - Of Intention to Annex Final Tract Map No. 6295 as Annexation No. 125 to the CITY OF FRESNO COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 11 and to Authorize the Levy of Special Taxes; and setting the public hearing for Thursday, September 30, 2021, at 10:00 am (northeast corner of South Armstrong and East Butler Avenues) (Council District 5)

RESOLUTION 2021-213 ADOPTED

1-Y ID 21-23172 RESOLUTION - Of Intention to Annex Final Tract Map No. 6335 as Annexation No. 127 to the CITY OF FRESNO COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 11 and to Authorize the Levy of Special Taxes; and setting the public hearing for September 30, 2021, at 10:00 am (southeast corner of North Armstrong and East Floradora Avenues) (Council District 4) Click or tap here to enter text.

RESOLUTION 2021-214 ADOPTED

1-Z ID 21-23169 \*\*\*RESOLUTION - Adopting the 6th Amendment to the Annual Appropriation Resolution No. 2021-178 to appropriate \$1,168,900 for previously approved right-of-way acquisition projects in the Public Works Department (citywide) (Subject to Mayor's veto) (Requires 5 affirmative votes)

RESOLUTION 2021-215 ADOPTED

1-AA ID 21-23166 RESOLUTION – Authorizing Submission of Applications for Grant Funds From the 2021/2022 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program and the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program Call for Projects from the Fresno Council of Governments and Authorizing the Execution of all Application Related Documents by the Public Works Director, Director of

Transportation, or designees (Citywide)

The above item was pulled from the Consent Calendar by Councilmember Karbassi and moved to Contested Consent for further discussion.

There was no introduction to council and no council discussion.

RESOLUTION 2021-216 ADOPTED

On motion of Councilmember Karbassi, seconded by Councilmember Arias, the above item be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chavez, Esparza, Soria, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Bredefeld

Status: 7 - 0 - Pass

- **1-BB ID 21-23015** Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) Semi-Annual Report (October 2020 through March 2021) (Citywide)
- **1-CC ID 21-23089-01** Approve an agreement with Wallace, Roberts and Todd, Inc., in the amount of \$552,090 with a \$50,000 contingency for Planning Services related to Measure P Implementation, including an update of the Parks Master Plan.
- **1-DD ID 21-23214** \*\*\*RESOLUTION Allocating a portion of card room gross revenue permit fees for specific purposes (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

The above item was pulled from the Consent Calendar by Councilmember Arias and moved to Contested Consent for further discussion.

Councilmember Soria recused herself from the above item.

Councilmember Maxwell stated the above item would only go towards public facilities that are publicly accessible and has to be City owned property.

Councilmember Bredefeld spoke in opposition of the item.

Councilmember Arias requested a friendly amendment to the item to increase the percent from 12% to 50% and later amended his motion to 25% instead of 50%. Motion withdrawn

RESOLUTION 2021-217 ADOPTED

On motion of Councilmember Maxwell, seconded by Councilmember Arias, the above item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chavez, Esparza, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell

No: Bredefeld Recuse: Soria

**Status:** 5 – 1 – **Pass** 

**1-EE ID 21-23215** RESOLUTION – Initiating a Text Amendment to Chapter 15, Chapter 15, Article 11, Table 15-1102; Article 12, Table 15-1202; Article 13, Table 15-1302; and Chapter 15, Article 27 of the Fresno Municipal Code to add regulations relating to the location of card rooms in relation to sensitive receptors pursuant to Fresno Municipal Code Section 15-5803-A(1).

RESOLUTION 2021-218 ADOPTED

**1-FF ID 21-23218** Award of Contract for Redistricting Outreach Services to one of the following: Imprenta Communications Group or Tripepi Smith.

The above item was pulled from the Consent Calendar by Councilmember Karbassi and moved to Contested Consent for further discussion.

There was no introduction to council and no council discussion.

**APPROVED** 

On motion of Councilmember Karbassi, seconded by Councilmember Arias, the above item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chavez, Esparza, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Bredefeld

**Absent:** Soria

**Status:** 6 – 0 – **Pass** 

1-GG ID 21-23192 JOINT MEETING OF THE FRESNO REVITALIZATION CORPORATION, THE CITY OF FRESNO IN ITS CAPACITY AS HOUSING SUCCESSOR TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF FRESNO, AND THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF FRESNO

Approve Request for Third Amendment to the Amended and Restated Owner Participation Agreement by Broadway Plaza Family Apartments LP related to the residential project at 1241-1263 Broadway Mall, commonly known as Hotel Fresno

#### CONTESTED CONSENT CALENDAR

### 2. SCHEDULED COUNCIL HEARINGS AND MATTERS

## 2-A <u>10:00 A.M. #1</u>

**ID 21-23132** HEARING to adopt resolutions and ordinance to annex territory and levy a special tax regarding CITY OF FRESNO COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 11, Annexation No. 124 (Final Tract Map No. 6271) (Phase 3 of Vesting Tentative Tract Map No. 6258, area on the west side of North Hayes Avenue, north of West Ashlan Avenue) (Council District 1)

- 1. \*\*\*RESOLUTION to Annex Territory to Community Facilities District No. 11 and Authorizing the Levy of a Special Tax for Annexation No. 124 (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
- 2. \*\*\*RESOLUTION Calling Special Mailed-Ballot Election (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
- 3. \*\*\*RESOLUTION Declaring Election Results (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
- 4. \*\*\*BILL (For introduction and adoption) Levying a Special Tax for the Property Tax Year 2021-2022 and Future Tax Years Within and Relating to Community Facilities District No. 11, Annexation No. 124 (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

The above item was called to order at 4:07 P.M. There was no introduction to Council, no public comment, and no Council Discussion.

RESOLUTION 2021-019 ADOPTED RESOLUTION 2021-220 ADOPTED RESOLUTION 2021-221 ADOPTED BILL 36/ORDINANCE 2021-037 ADOPTED

On motion of Councilmember Soria, seconded by Councilmember Bredefeld, the above item be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chavez, Esparza, Soria, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Bredefeld

Status: 7 - 0 - Pass

#### 2-B 10:00 A.M. #2

**ID 21-23135** HEARING to adopt resolutions and ordinance to annex territory and levy a special tax regarding CITY OF FRESNO COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 11, Annexation No. 113 (Final Tract Map No. 6159) (east side of North Fowler Avenue and along the south side of Fancher Creek) (Council District 5)

- 1. \*\*\*RESOLUTION to Annex Territory to Community Facilities District No. 11 and Authorizing the Levy of a Special Tax for Annexation No. 113 (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
- 2. \*\*\*RESOLUTION Calling Special Mailed-Ballot Election (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
- 3. \*\*\*RESOLUTION Declaring Election Results (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
- 4. \*\*\*BILL (For introduction and adoption) Levying a Special Tax for the Property Tax Year 2020-2021 and Future Tax Years Within and Relating to Community Facilities District No. 11, Annexation No. 113 (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

The above item was called to order at 4:07 P.M. There was no introduction to Council, no public comment, and no Council Discussion.

RESOLUTION 2021-222 ADOPTED RESOLUTION 2021-223 ADOPTED RESOLUTION 2021-224 ADOPTED BILL 37/ORDINANCE 2021-038 ADOPTED

On motion of Council President Chavez, seconded by Councilmember Karbassi, the above item be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chavez, Esparza, Soria, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Bredefeld

Status: 7 - 0 - Pass

#### 2-C 10:00 A.M. #3

**ID 21-23176** Public hearing to consider the adoption of Plan Amendment Application No. P19-04226 and related Final Program Environmental Impact Report (FPEIR), State Clearinghouse (SCH) # 2019050005. The following applications have been filed by the Planning and Development Department Director and pertain to the Planning Area of the City of Fresno:

1. REVIEW AND CONSIDER Final Program Environmental Impact Report (Draft PEIR SCH No. 2019050005, Response to Comments Document, Recirculated Draft PEIR and Response to Comments Document), apply the

Council's independent judgment and analyses to the review, and then certify the FPEIR including the Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Reduction Plan set forth in Appendix G of the FPEIR, as having been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), based on the Commission's recommendations on the proposed Final Program EIR and comments thereon.

- a. ADOPT an appropriate Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) as required by Public Resources Code Section 21081.6 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15097:
- b. FIND that based upon testimony presented by staff, there are significant, unavoidable, environmental impacts which have not been mitigated to a level below significant. Therefore, the City Council should adopt the findings of fact and consider an appropriate statement of overriding considerations pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081 and CEQA Guidelines Sections 15091 and 15093; and
- c. ADOPT the GHG Reduction Plan Update set forth in Appendix G, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15183.5(b).
- 2. APPROVE Plan Amendment Application No P19-04226 which requests authorization to amend the text of the Fresno General Plan Mobility and Transportation Element to add a Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) policy consistent with California Senate Bill (SB) 743 and to revise policies and text relating to Level of Service (LOS) metrics to update applicability.

The above item was removed from the agenda by Councilmember Arias.

### 2-D 10:00 A.M. #4

**ID 21-23197** Actions pertaining to Club One Casino, Inc. Card Room Permit Application:

- 1. CONTINUED HEARING to consider the Club One Casino, Inc. Card Room Permit Application on August 19, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.
- 2. RESOLUTION Granting a Card Room Permit to Club One Casino, Inc pursuant to the City of Fresno Card Room Ordinance

The item was called to order at 4:07 P.M. and introduced to Council by Assistant City Manager Barfield, Office of the Mayor and City Manager and Applicant Kiel Kirkland.

Councilmember Soria recused herself from the above item.

The above item was introduced to Council by Assistant City Manager Barfield, Office of the Mayor and City Manager.

Discussion held between Councilmembers and staff regarding the outreach in

District 4, the amount of awarded tables, and revenue paid to the City of Fresno.

Councilmember Bredefeld spoke in opposition of the item.

Upon call, the following members of the public addressed Council: Richard, Thai, Chris, Jennifer, Billy, Mr. Yang, Lamar, and Kay. Public comment closed at 5:17

Councilmember Maxwell submitted email correspondence his office received to Interim City Clerk Parra to be included in the official record.

Councilmember Maxwell motioned to approve 31 tables, come back in 90 days to approve the remaining 20 table, and to keep the current application active. Councilmember Karbassi seconded the motion.

RESOLUTION 2021-225 ADOPTED AS AMENDED

On motion of Councilmember Maxwell, seconded by Councilmember Karbassi, the above item be Adopted as Amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chavez, Esparza, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell

No: Bredefeld Recuse: Soria

**Status:** 5 – 1 – **Pass** 

#### 2-E 10:05 A.M. #1

**ID 21-23202** HEARING to consider the vacation of a portion North Doolittle Drive between West Spaatz Avenue and West Herndon Avenue (Council District 2)

1. \*\*\*RESOLUTION – Ordering the vacation of a portion North Doolittle Drive between West Spaatz Avenue and West Herndon Avenue (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

The above item was called to order at 5:33 P.M. and introduced to Council by Councilmember Karbassi, District 2.

Upon call the following members of the public addressed Council: John York, Tamera Trindade, Helen McJunkin, Ulysses Caiati, John Kinsey, Sean Johnson, Judy Lund-Bell, Clari Cone, and Charles Alexanian.

#### RESOLUTION 2021-226 ADOPTED

On motion of Councilmember Karbassi, seconded by Councilmember Maxwell, the above item be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chavez, Esparza, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Bredefeld

Absent: Soria

Status: 6 - 0 - Pass

## 2-F 10:05 A.M. #2

**ID 21-22917-02** \*\*\*BILL No. 35- (Intro 7/29/2021)(For Adoption) - Modifying Sections 1901 and 1905 of Chapter 14 of the Fresno Municipal Code relating to taxiing aircraft and parking of aircraft and other vehicles on public streets in Sierra Sky Park (District 2)(Subject to Mayor's Veto).

There was no introduciton to COuncil and the following members of the public addressed Council: Jim Coelho, Tim Cone, and Giorgio Russo.

ORDINANCE 2021-039 ADOPTED

On motion of Councilmember Karbassi, seconded by Councilmember Maxwell, the above item be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chavez, Esparza, Soria, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Bredefeld

Status: 7 - 0 - Pass

#### 2-G 10:10 A.M.

**ID 21-23136** Appearance by Mary Padilla to Discuss Spiritually Cleaning up Fresno (Speaker Resides in District 2).

The above item was removed at the request of the speaker.

## 2-H <u>10:15 A.M.</u>

**ID 21-23199** Appearance by James Prater to Discuss Material Misrepresentations Made to the Council (Speaker Resides in District 3).

The above item was removed at the request of the speaker.

#### 2-F 1:30 P.M.

**ID 21-23229** Workshop – Presentation from Sonnenblick Development, Selland Arena Property

City Council recessed at 3:40 P.M. and returned at 3:49 P.M.

PRESENTED BY SONNENBLICK

On motion of Council Vice President Esparza, seconded by Councilmember Maxwell, motioned to eliminate council discussion. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Chavez, Esparza, Soria, Karbassi, Arias, Maxwell, Bredefeld **Status:** 7 – 0 – **Pass** 

### 2-I 6:00 P.M.

**ID 21-23159** HEARING to receive input from the community regarding the redrawing of the election district boundaries (fifth update).

The item was called to order at 6:00 P.M. and was introduced to Council by Councilmember Arias, District 3 and Senior Consultant Tilton, National Demographics Corporation.

Upon call, the following member of the public addressed Council: Cathy Caples, and Mary Wienholz-Haskin,

Pubic comment closed at 6:14 P.M.

HEARING HELD

#### 3. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

**3-A** ID 21-23177 WORKSHOP - Community Benefits Fund 60-day Status Update Sponsors: Planning & Development Department

The above item was removed from the agenda by Councilmember Arias.

3-B ID 21-23217 JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL, SUCCESSOR AGENCY, AND THE CITY IN ITS CAPACITY AS HOUSING SUCCESSOR TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF FRESNO

Consider First Amendment to Amended and Restated Disposition and Development Agreement with Noyan Frazier Capital L.P. for the South Stadium project (City action)

**Sponsors:** Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Fresno

The above item was introduced to Council by Executive Director Murphy, Housing Successor to the Redevelopment Agency.

Councilmember Soria recused herself from the above item.

Upon call, there was no public comment.

Councilmember Bredefeld and Councilmember Karbassi spoke in opposition of the above item.

Councilmember Arias requested staff provide council with a memo on all the housing projects, with the ones still pending, and how long have they been under development.

City Manager Esqueda made a recommendation to staff to terminate the agreement and pursue a Request for Proposal (RFP).

Councilmember Arias stated the financing is in place.

**APPROVED** 

On motion of Councilmember Arias, seconded by Councilmember Maxwell, the above item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chavez, Esparza, Arias, Maxwell

No: Karbassi. Bredefeld

Recuse: Soria

Status: 4-2 – Pass

#### 4. CITY COUNCIL

#### 5. CLOSED SESSION

City Council recessed into Closed Session at 11:38 A.M. and returned from Closed Session at 12:05 P.M. There were no announcements

made after Closed Session and the following items were discussed: 5-D, 5-E, and 5-G.

City Council reconvened into Closed Session at 6:55 P.M. and returned from Closed Session at 7:42 P.M. There were no announcements made after Closed Session and the below items were discussed.

**5-A ID 21-23140** CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR Government Code Section 54956.8;

Property: APN 468-400-54T Negotiating Parties: City Manager Esqueda, Sonneblick Development

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of sale

- **5-B ID 21-23182** CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(2) Significant Exposure to Litigation: Lexington Ins. Co., subrogee for County of Fresno, In re Congo Alley v. City of Fresno, Risk Management Claim No. 2018039110
- 5-C ID 21-23183 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(2) Significant Exposure to Litigation: Tutelian & Company v. City of Fresno, et al., Risk Management Claim No. 2021042288
- 5-D ID 21-23194 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(2) Significant Exposure to Litigation: Leadership Counsel for Justice and Accountability v. City of Fresno
- **5-E ID 21-23207** CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(2) Significant Exposure to Litigation: Sierra Sky-Park Property Owners Association v. City of Fresno
- **5-F ID 21-23208** CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-POTENTIAL LITIGATION Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(2):
  City of Fresno v. Universal Church, Inc. (Hardy Theater). Sponsor: City Attorney's Office
- 5-G ID 21-23216 CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR Government Code Section 54956.8
  Property: APN 468-282-05T, 468-282-22T, 468-282-23T (South Stadium)
  Negotiating Parties: Executive Director Murphey, Noyan Frazier Capital, L.P.

Under Negotiations: Terms of sale

## Councilmember Soria recused herself from the above item

- **5-H ID 21-23219** PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION Government Code Section 54957(b) Title: City Attorney
- 5-I ID 21-23232 CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR —
  Government Code Section 54956.8
  Property: Grizzly Stadium Negotiating Parties: City Manager, Fresno Sports and Events, LLC., Prosperous Terra, LLC (Ruelas, Inc.)
  Under negotiations: Terms of Lease

## **ADJOURNMENT**

City Council adjourned at 7:42 P.M.