



336 Pacific Avenue, Shafter, CA 93263
Meeting Held In-Person and Via Zoom and Livestream on YouTube.

**AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
SHAFTER CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024**

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC:

Any documents produced by the City and distributed to a majority of the City Council regarding any item on this agenda will be made available in the City Clerk's Office during normal business hours at City Hall located at 336 Pacific Avenue, Shafter CA. In addition, such documents will be posted on the City's website at www.shafter.com.

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 PM

ROLL CALL: Mayor Givens
Mayor Pro Tem Prout
Council Member Alvarado
Council Member Espinoza
Council Member Olvera

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Council Member Espinoza

INVOCATION: Council Member Olvera

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

PRESENTATION:

1. Introduction of City Employee: Community Services Supervisor Rebecca Bernal
2. Shafter High Students Drug & Alcohol Prevention Presentation

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Those persons wishing to speak on any item included on the agenda, or on any matter within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council, are invited to speak from the podium and address the City Council. Speakers are limited to five minutes unless additional time is needed for translation. Please state your name and address for the record before making your presentation.

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS:

On their own initiative, Council Members may make a brief announcement or a brief report on their own activities. Council Members may ask a question for clarification,

make a referral to staff, or take action to have staff place a matter of business on a future agenda. No formal action by the Council will be taken unless an item is identified on the Agenda.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

All items on the consent calendar are considered routine and non-controversial by staff and will be approved by one motion if no member of the Council or public wishes to comment or ask questions. If comment or discussion is desired by anyone, the item will be removed from the consent calendar and will be considered in the listed sequence with an opportunity for any member of the public to address the Council concerning the item before action is taken.

1. Approve General Checks: October 17, 2024, October 24, 2024, October 25, 2024, October 31, 2024.
2. Approve Payroll: October 15, 2024, October 18, 2024.
3. Approve Overtime Report: October 2024.
4. Approve Special Event Permit: Shafter Chamber of Commerce, Avila's Barber Shop Ribbon Cutting, 161 Central Avenue, November 16, 2024.
5. Council find the action is not defined as a "project" per Section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA Guidelines; accept two (2) bids received for the purchase of a new refrigerated trailer for edible food transportation; and authorize the Deputy Public Works Director to award the purchase of one (1) refrigerated trailer to High Level Enterprises in the amount of \$55,425.
6. Council find the action is not defined as a "project" per Section 15378(b)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines; approve the plans and specifications for the North Park North Shafter Community Park project (#PK00008); and authorize their release for public bidding.
7. Council find that the action is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act; approve the plans and specifications for the Shafter Aquatics Center - Modular Building (#PF00004); and authorize release of said plans and specifications for public bidding.
8. Council find that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act; approve the plans and specifications for the Police Department Substation Modular Building Project (#PD00001); and authorize the project to be released for public bidding.
9. Council find that the action is not defined as a "project" under CEQA, as defined in Section 15378(b)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines: accept the public improvements completed for the 7th Standard #2 Lane Reconstruction (#ST00032) - Friant Kern Canal to Zachary Ave.; and authorize the deputy public works director to file a notice of completion and acceptance of work for said public improvements.

MANAGEMENT REPORT:

1. **CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY'S BOND OPPORTUNITIES FOR LAND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM DISCUSSION:** Council receive and file. This item is for informational purposes only.

ROLL CALL

2. **CIVIC ENGAGEMENT WITH STUDENT COUNCILS:** Council find that the action is not defined as a “project” under Section 15378(b)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines; approve the invitation for student councils from Grow Academy, Richland Junior High, and a subset of Shafter High School (6 students) to meet with City staff, shadow City Council at a meeting, receive City polo shirts, and participate in a trip to Sacramento to meet elected officials and tour the Capitol. Confirm that this expenditure does not constitute a gift of public funds.

ROLL CALL

3. **FOLLOW-UP DISCUSSION ON ANNUAL ALLOCATION OPTIONS FOR COMMUNITY EVENTS FUNDING:** Council find the action is not defined as a “project” per Section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA Guidelines; that the City Council should review and consider the options for funding community events, providing direction to the management team on the preferred allocation approach.

ROLL CALL

4. **REPORT ON THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDED VETERANS PARK PUBLIC SAFETY CAMERAS AND WIRELESS PROJECT:** Council receive and file. This item is for informational purposes only.

ROLL CALL

5. **RECLASSIFICATION OF DEPARTMENT HEADS TO DIRECTORS AND APPROVAL OF SALARY ADJUSTMENTS:** Council approve the reclassification of the HR and IT Managers to Directors commensurate with the responsibilities of the positions; and approve salary adjustments for HR, IT, and Planning Directors to Range 384 of the Non-Represented/Non-Sworn pay schedule; and authorize a budget amendment for FY 24/25 in the amount of \$44,736 (\$14,912 per department).

ROLL CALL

6. **SALE OF 5.42 ACRES OF SURPLUS PROPERTY (NORTHERN SECTION OF CITY'S OLD CORPORATION YARD):** Council find the action is not defined as a “project” per Section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA Guidelines; and authorize the City Manager to take all necessary actions to complete the sale of the subject property.

ROLL CALL

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS AND REPORTS:

DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR COMMENTS AND REPORTS:

RECESS:

CLOSED SESSION:

1. **CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS:** Pursuant to California Government Code, Section 54956.8
Property: Assessor's Parcel Numbers 027-240-02, 027-240-06, 027-240-07, 027-240-15, 027-240-16
Agency Negotiator: Lance Lippincott, City Manager. Negotiating Parties: Andy Russell, Frank Russell Inc. Under Negotiation: Price and Terms.

2. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION:** Pursuant to California Government Code, Section 54956.9(a). Name of Case: California Department of Tax and Fee Administration Petitions of the Cities of Alameda, et al (Williams-Sonoma DTC, Inc. Case IDs: 757063, 284-450, 20127075.
3. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION:** Pursuant to California Government Code, Section 54956.9(d)(2)/(e)(1). One Potential Case

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5. All public comments are provided to the City Council and applicable Staff, for review and consideration by the Board prior to taking action on any matters listed on the agenda and are incorporated into the official record of the City Council meeting.