

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) ADVISORY

On March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency in California due to the threat of COVID-19. On March 12 and 18, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order N-25-20 and N-29-20, which temporarily suspends portions of the Brown Act addressing the conduct of public meetings.

As such, Tulare City Council Meetings may include teleconference participation by some or all of the City Council Members and City staff. Pursuant to Executive Order N-20-20, teleconference locations utilized by City Council Members shall not be accessible to the public and are not subject to special posting requirements.

For those individuals who choose not to shelter in place and attend the Council meeting, in an effort to promote social distancing, seating in the Council Chamber has been reduced to 12 available seats on a first come, first served basis.

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If you are sheltering in place, and wish to provide public comment during the meeting you may do so **by calling 559-366-1849**, if you receive a busy signal please continue to call until you are able to get through.

Note: There will be approximately a 20 second delay in broadcast for viewers. If viewing from YouTube and calling in please mute your speakers.

AGENDA

**TULARE CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2021
Study Session 6:00 p.m.
Regular Session 7:00 p.m.
TULARE PUBLIC LIBRARY & COUNCIL CHAMBERS
491 North "M" Street**

**MISSION STATEMENT
TO PROMOTE A QUALITY OF LIFE MAKING TULARE THE MOST DESIRABLE COMMUNITY IN
WHICH TO LIVE, LEARN, PLAY, WORK, WORSHIP AND PROSPER.**

Meeting audio will be uploaded to the City's website www.tulare.ca.gov, no later than the Friday following the meeting, barring any technical difficulties, accessible by selecting the appropriate meeting date on the City Meeting Calendar page.

6:00 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER STUDY SESSION

II. CITIZEN COMMENTS - Comments from the public are limited to items listed on the agenda (GC 54954.3a). Speakers will be allowed three minutes. Please begin your comments by stating and spelling your name and providing your city of residence.

III. STUDY SESSION

- a. Receive, review, discuss and provide direction on the Tulare City Council's Strategic Planning Session Report. [Submitted by: R. Hunt]

IV. ADJOURN STUDY SESSION

7:00 p.m. (or immediately following Study Session)

V. CALL TO ORDER REGULAR SESSION

VI. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

VII. CITIZEN COMMENTS

This is the time for citizens to comment on subject matters, not on the agenda within the jurisdiction of the Tulare City Council. 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.

This is also the time for citizens to comment on items listed under the Consent Calendar or to request an item from the Consent Calendar be pulled for discussion purposes. Comments related to general business/city manager items or public hearing items will be heard at the time the item is discussed or at the time the Public Hearing is opened for comment.

*In fairness to all who wish to speak, each speaker will be allowed **three minutes**, with a maximum time of 15 minutes per item, unless otherwise extended by Council. Please begin your comments by stating and spelling your name and providing your city of residence.*

VIII. COMMUNICATIONS

*Communications are to be submitted to the City Manager's Office 10 days prior to a Council Meeting to be considered for this section of the Agenda. No action will be taken on matters listed under communications; however, the Council may direct staff to schedule issues raised during communications for a future agenda. Citizen comments will be limited to **three minutes**, per topic, unless otherwise extended by Council.*

IX. CONSENT CALENDAR

All Consent Calendar Items are considered routine and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these matters unless a request is made, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar to be discussed and voted upon by a separate motion.

- (1) Authorization to read ordinances by title only.
- (2) Approve minutes of March 2, 2021 special/regular meeting. [Submitted by: R. Yoder]
- (3) Accept a grant deed from Caroline Farrar Grey and William R. Farrar Jr. for land associated with the expansion of an existing City storm drain basin located near the southeast corner of Seminole Avenue and Spyglass Street, and authorize the City Manager or his designee to sign a Certificate of Acceptance for the same. [Submitted by: M. Miller]
- (4) **Adopt Resolution 2021-09** designating a portion of a City owned parcel located in the southwest corner of Cartmill Avenue and the future Gem Street alignment as public street rights-of-way, and accepting the resulting public street segments into the city street system. [Submitted by: M. Miller]
- (5) Authorize the City Manager to complete and execute the documents necessary to purchase property located at the southwest corner of West Street and Pleasant Avenue as a portion of APN 168-031-010 in the amount of \$1,400.00 for the use of public right-of-way for Project EN0084 – Pleasant Avenue Improvements Project, subject only to minor conforming and clarifying changes acceptable to the City Attorney and City Manager. [Submitted by: J. Funk]
- (6) **Adopt Resolution 2021-10** setting the Maximum Utility User's Tax at \$12,780.00 per utility for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. [Submitted by: D. Thompson]

X. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS

- (1) Presentation to Women Honorees in recognition of International Women's Day & Women's History Month 2021.
- (2) PowerPoint presentation by Kaweah Delta Healthcare District regarding the opening of the new Tulare Health Clinic.

XI. MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS OR ITEMS OF INTEREST – G.C. 54954.2(3)

XII. GENERAL BUSINESS

Comments related to General Business Items are limited to three minutes per speaker, for a maximum of 30 minutes per item, unless otherwise extended by the Council.

(1) Public Hearing:

- a. Public hearing **to adopt Resolution 2021-11** for the establishment of an underground utility district encompassing West Street between 165 feet south of Pleasant Avenue and 480 feet north of Pleasant Avenue, and Pleasant Avenue between 110 feet west of West Street and 165 feet east of West Street. [Submitted by: M. Miller]
- b. Public Hearing to **adopt Resolution 2021-12** ordering improvements for Assessment District 2021-01 for the Oakcrest subdivision located on the north side of Tulare Avenue, east of Enterprise Street. [Submitted by: M. Miller]

(2) Community & Economic Development:

- a. Receive a presentation on the City of Tulare Housing Element and General Plan Annual Progress Reports for 2020 and authorize staff to submit to the Governor’s Office of Planning and Research and Department of Housing and Community Development on or before April 1, 2021. [Submitted by: M. Anaya]

(3) Engineering:

- a. Award and authorize the City Manager to sign contracts related to City Project EN0090 – Sequoia-Spruce Tracts Improvements, a street and utility improvement project on Spruce St., Sierra Ave., Sequoia Ave., Dayton St., and Kern Ave.; Authorize the City Manager or designee to approve contract change orders in an amount not to exceed 10% of each contract amount; and approve the revised project scope and budget [Submitted by: N. Bartsch]:

1.	Contractor	99 Pipeline, Inc. of Porterville, CA	\$6,045,366.78
2.	Construction Surveying	Lane Engineers of Tulare, CA	\$ 109,400.00
3.	Materials Testing	NV5 of Bakersfield, CA	\$ 102,479.00
4.	Construction Inspection	NV5 of Bakersfield, CA	\$ 402,600.00

(4) City Manager:

- a. Update, discussion and receive direction, if necessary, regarding COVID-19, etc. [Submitted by: R. Hunt]

- b. Receive an update on the United States Treasury Department's Emergency Rental Assistance Program to assist households that are unable to pay rent or utilities due to the COVID-19 pandemic. [Submitted by: T. Myers]
- c. Receive staff recommendations for provision of service changes proposed as Tulare County moves into the COVID-19 "Red Tier" of the States' Blueprint for a Safer Economy, and provide direction as appropriate. [Submitted by: J. McDonnell]

XIII. STAFF UPDATES AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – GC 54954.2(3)

XIV. ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities and Brown Act, if you need special assistance to participate in the meeting, including the receipt of the agenda and documents in the agenda package in an alternate format, please contact the City Manager's Office (559) 684-4200. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the city to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting (28 CFR 35.102-35, 104 ADA Title II), and allow for the preparation of documents in the appropriate alternate format.

[Note: Pursuant to Government Code 54957.5 - Effective 7/1/08 Documents produced and distributed less than 72 hours prior to or during an open session of a regular meeting to a majority of the legislative body regarding any item on the agenda will be made available for public inspection at the meeting and at the City Clerk's Office at City Hall located at 411 East Kern Avenue during normal business hours.]