

FOWLER CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA MAY 21, 2019 7:00 P.M. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER 128 S. 5TH STREET FOWLER, CA 93625

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- 1. Meeting called to order
- 2. Flag Salute and Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Invocation
- Roll call
- 5. Public Presentations (This portion of the meeting reserved for persons desiring to address the Council on any matter not described on this agenda. Presentations are limited to 5 minutes per person and no more than 15 minutes per topic.)

With respect to the approval of resolutions and ordinances, the reading of the title thereto shall be deemed a motion to waive a reading of the complete resolution or ordinance and unless there is a request by a Councilmember that the resolution or ordinance be read in full, further reading of the resolution or ordinance shall be deemed waived by unanimous consent of the Council.

6. Communications

7. Staff Reports

- A) Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2019-02, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Fowler Amending the Official Zoning Map of the City to Reflect a Change of Zone for Assessor's Parcel No's 345-100-07 and 345-100-19S"
- B) City Manager's Report
- C) City Engineer's Report
 - Adoption of Resolution No. 2431, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Fowler of Intention to Levy and Collect the Annual Assessment for Landscaping and Storm Drainage Facilities Maintenance District No. 1
- D) Public Works Report
 - Award the City of Fowler 2019 Street Maintenance Project to Glick Corporation dba Asphalt Maintenance Co. in the Amount of \$92,065.60
- E) Finance Department Report
- F) Police Department Report
- G) Fire Department Report
- 8. City Attorney's Report
- 9. Consent Calendar Items on the Consent Calendar are considered routine and shall be approved by one motion of the Council. If a Councilmember requests additional information or wants to comment on an item, the vote should be held until the questions or comments are made, and then a <u>single</u> vote should be taken. If a Councilmember <u>objects</u> to an item, <u>then</u> it should be removed and acted upon as a separate item.
 - A) Ratification of Warrants May 21, 2019
 - B) Approve Minutes of the City Council Meeting May 7, 2019
 - C) Approve and Authorize Mayor to Sign Letter to State Water Resources Control Board In Opposition to Semitropic Petition to Revise the FAS
 - D) Approve Letter of Support and Adopt Resolution No. 2432 "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Fowler Supporting the Merger of T-Mobile and Sprint"

10. Committee Reports (No action except where a specific report is on the agenda)

Mayor Cardenas Mayor Pro-Tem Hammer Councilmember Kazarian Councilmember Parra Councilmember Rodriquez

- 11. Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 Public Employee Performance Evaluation Title: City Attorney
- 12. Adjournment

Next Ordinance No. 2019-03

Next Resolution No. 2433

CERTIFICATION: I, Corina Burrola, Deputy City Clerk of the City of Fowler, California, hereby certify that the foregoing agenda was posted for public review on Friday, May 17, 2019.

Corina Burrola Deputy City Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-02

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FOWLER AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY TO REFLECT A CHANGE OF ZONE FOR ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NOS. 345-100-07 AND 345-100-19S

THE CITY CO	OUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FOWLER DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:
SECTION 1.	The Official Zoning Map of the City of Fowler is hereby amended to indicate Assessor's Parcel No. 345-100-07 as R-1-7 (One Family Residential – 7,000 Square Foot Minimum Lot Size) as indicated in Exhibit "A" hereto.
SECTION 2.	The Official Zoning Map of the City of Fowler is hereby amended to indicate Assessor's Parcel No. 345-100-19S as R-1-6 (One Family Residential – 6,000 Square Foot Minimum Lot Size) as indicated in Exhibit "A" hereto.
SECTION 3.	This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect from and after thirty (30) days following its final passage and adoption. Within fifteen (15) days after its adoption, the ordinance, or a summary of the ordinance, shall be published once in a newspaper of general circulation.
day of May 20	ordinance was introduced at a meeting of the City Council of Fowler held on the 7 th 219 and passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council held on the 2019 by the following vote:
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ATTEST:	Mayor, City of Fowler
City Clerk	

STAFF REPORT

TO: MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

FROM: DAVID PETERS, CITY ENGINEER

SUBJECT: LANDSCAPING AND STORM DRAINAGE FACILITIES

MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NO. 1 ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS

DATE: 5/16/2019

CC: JEANNIE DAVIS, CITY MANAGER

REQUESTED ACTION:

Adopt Resolution No.2431, approving the engineer's report pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 for the annual renewal of the Landscaping and Lighting District for fiscal year 2019-2020, set a public hearing for June 4, 2019, and authorize proceedings for the annual levy and collection of assessments.

DISCUSSION:

The City provides for the operations and maintenance of landscaping and storm drainage facilities within various improved developments throughout the City of Fowler. The District, which was formed pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972, provides for assessing parcels within these developed areas to fund these maintenance and operations activities. The District must be renewed annually through a series of City Council resolutions, culminating with a public hearing. The public hearing and adoption of a final resolution are proposed for the Council Meeting of June 4, 2019.

In order to renew the districts, an assessment engineer must review and develop the benefit assessments for each parcel. Those assessments are based on the proposed budget for FY 2019-20.

RESOLUTION NO. 2431

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FOWLER OF INTENTION TO LEVY AND COLLECT THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR LANDSCAPING AND STORM DRAINAGE FACILITIES MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NO. 1

RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Fowler, County of Fresno, California, that:

- 1. It is the intention of the said Council to order the levy and collection of assessment under the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972, part two of Division 15 of the Streets and Highways Code (beginning with Section 22500 of said code and herein the "act") for the Landscaping and Storm Drainage Facilities Maintenance District No. 1 of the City of Fowler for fiscal year 2019-2020.
- 2. The territory of City Landscaping and Storm Drainage Facilities Maintenance District No. 1 is comprised of various territories generally located on the attached vicinity map which is the real property benefited and to be assessed for the maintenance and operation of the landscaping facilities of Landscaping and Storm Drainage Facilities Maintenance District No. 1 generally described in Exhibit A attached hereto and by reference incorporated herein.
- 3. The City Engineer has prepared and filed with the Clerk of the City of Fowler a report labeled Engineer's Report of the City of Fowler Landscaping and Storm Drainage Facilities Maintenance District No. 1, dated May 2018 to which reference is hereby made by a description of the existing improvements, the boundaries of the assessment district and any zones therein (including the general location), and the proposed assessment upon assessable lots and parcels of land within Landscaping and Storm Drainage Facilities Maintenance District No. 1.
- 4. Notice is hereby given that on the 4th day of June, 2019 at the hour of 7:00 p.m. in the regular meeting place of the City Council of the City of Fowler Council Chambers City Hall, 128 S. Fifth Street, Fowler, California, 93625 are hereby fixed as the time and place when and where all interested persons shall be heard on the question of the levy and collection of the proposed assessments.
- 5. A copy of this Resolution shall also be published once prior to the hearing in a newspaper of general circulation within the City of Fowler, at least 10 days prior to the public hearing.

AYES:		
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David Cardenas, Mayor		
ATTEST:		
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ATTEST: Jeannie Davis, City Clerk		

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a Resolution duly and regularly adopted by the City Council of the City of Fowler at a meeting thereof held on the 21st

day of May, 2019, by the following vote:

MEMORANDUM

TO:

MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

FROM:

DAVID PETERS, CITY ENGINEER

SUBJECT:

2019 STREET MAINTENANCE

DATE:

5/15/2019

REQUESTED ACTION

Award the City of Fowler 2019 Street Maintenance Project to Glick Corporation dba Asphalt Maintenance Co. in the amount of \$92,065.60.

DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATION

The City of Fowler recently advertised for bids for the City of Fowler 2019 Street Maintenance Project. The engineer's estimate for the base bid 93. On April 30, 2019 the City received three bids for ranging from \$92,065.60 to \$98,443.00. A summary of the bids is attached.

Staff recommends awarding the base bid in the amount of \$92,065.60 Glick Corporation dba Asphalt Maintenance Co. of Visalia, CA.

CITY OF FOWLER - 2019 Street Maintenance Project BID SUMMARY 04/30/18

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2	1	ST	Traffic Control	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
3	10,760	λS	Type II Slurry Seal	\$3.50	\$37,660.00	\$3.48	\$37,444.80	\$5.00	\$53,800.00	\$4.05	\$43,578.00
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5	1	rs	Pavement Striping & Markings	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,668.00	\$15,668.00	\$11,600.00	\$11,600.00	\$26,250.00	\$26,250.00
9	1	S	Misc. Facilities & Operations	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
TOTAL:					\$93,800.00		\$92,065.60		\$93,514.40		\$98,443.00

CITY OF FOWLER WARRANTS LIST May 21, 2019

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CHECKS	CHECK NUMBERS	CHECK DATES	AMOUNT
Regular checks	35107-35166		\$ 309,405.31
Fire Station checks	1010		\$ 6,323.52
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CHECKS			\$ 315,728.83
PAYROLL COSTS			
First May Bi-Monthly Payroll		May 15, 2019	85,087.29
TOTAL PAYROLL COSTS			\$ 85,087.29
TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS			\$ 400,816.12

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MINUTES OF THE FOWLER CITY COUNCIL MEETING MAY 7, 2019

Mayor Cardenas called the meeting to order at 7:02 p. m. Roll call was taken.

Councilmembers Present:

Cardenas, Hammer, Kazarian, Rodriguez

Councilmembers Absent:

Parra

City Staff Present:

City Manager/City Clerk Davis, City Attorney Wolfe, Police Chief

Alcaraz, Public Works Supervisor/Fire Chief Lopez, Finance Director Uyeda, Planner Marple, Deputy Planner O'Neal, Deputy

City Clerk Burrola

The Flag Salute and Pledge of Allegiance were followed by the Invocation delivered by Pastor Green, Second Baptist Church, Fowler.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Patric Jones, Fowler resident expressed his gratitude to the Public Works Department for striping the parking stalls at St. Lucy's Church. He mentioned that there is a house located at the corner of Fowler and Adams Avenue that have bushes obstructing the visibility of traffic possibility causing a traffic hazard. Mr. Jones asked about possibilities of having the Council meetings podcasted.

Sandra Browning, Fowler resident spoke about the crosswalk located at Dee Ann and Adams Avenue. She spoke about the concerns of traffic not coming to a complete stop at the crosswalk for pedestrians. Pastor Green, Second Baptist Church expressed his concerns about the parking issues they are having with commercial vehicles, trucks, and trailers parking in front of the church during church service hours.

PUBLIC HEARING

♦ To Consider Tentative Subdivision Map (TSM) No. 6188 and Adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration, Submitted by Sunshine Raisin Corporation of Approximately 30.7 acres at the Northeast Corner of Adams and Armstrong Avenue

Jeff O'Neal, Deputy City Planner said the applicant, Sunshine Raisin Corporation, submitted a tentative map, in August 2018, proposing to subdivide the land at the northeast corner of Adams and Armstrong Avenues. Following two reviews by staff, the map and application were deemed complete. The map proposes 80 single-family lots on 30.7 acres, plus a remainder parcel of approximately 6,000 square feet. Proposed lot sizes range from just over 10,000 square feet to almost 16,000 square feet which is consistent with the Ahronian Estates, Crestwood Estates and Kensington Estates projects. There were a few points of discussion from the Planning Commission regarding E. Curtis Avenue which connects to Armstrong Avenue. The Fowler Unified School District is proposing an expansion to Marshall Elementary School including a

new pre-school across from Armstrong Avenue west of the proposed project. The expansion proposes a parking lot opposite the proposed location of E. Curtis Avenue which will predict potential traffic conflicts at this location. The second discussion point is related to open space. The General Plan Policy requires that the single-family projects include 5% open space within the project site and following the recommendation of approval by the Planning Commission there were follow up discussions with the project engineer and they have proposed to dedicate of Lots 55-58 as open space to meet the 5%. Mr. O'Neal said the City is currently undergoing efforts to address TCP in the water supply and it may be necessary to install a treatment facility in this part of town. The City Engineer has discussed with the project engineer the possibility of acquiring property within the subdivision for installation of a GAC treatment station. Staff is currently analyzing the remainder lot to access whether it would be of sufficient size to house the treatment facilities. He noted the development is expected to occur over a 2.5 year period with project construction beginning in 2020 and completed by 2022/2023.

Mr. O'Neal said following a public hearing on April 4, 2019 the Planning Commission adopted Resolution No. 637 and 638 recommending that the City Council adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act and that the City Council approves the Tentative Map as conditioned. Mayor Pro Tem Hammer asked if the school district had been contacted and if they provided any input on this project. Mr. O'Neal responded that they had met with staff from the school district regarding the proposed development and they did receive a copy of the CEQA document.

The Mayor opened the duly noticed public hearing on the matter at 7:29 p.m. Lori Gonzales, Interim Superintendent for Fowler Unified School District said they have met with the districts architects for the Marshal School projects and one of the discussion points has been the exit point and where the streets are to meet. She welcomed the opportunity to have further discussion and gather input on the project and bring it back to the architects. Dee Ribarich, Fowler resident, asked Mr. O'Neal if the project site would consist of having walkways and green belts (trees). Mr. O'Neal replied that the proposed project will have areas of pedestrian connections. There were no other public comments from the public and hearing closed at 7:38 p.m.

Mayor Cardenas expressed that he would like the school district to be more closely involved with the project in order to provide more input and if there are any concerns that need attention. City Engineer Peters noted to Council to use the revised condition No. 11 language that was provided prior to the meeting. The condition addresses annexation into the landscape maintenance district or CFD

Councilmember Kazarian made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2424 "A Resolution Before the City Council of the City of Fowler County of Fresno, State of California Adopting A Mitigated Negative Declaration for Tentative Subdivision Map No. 6188 Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act", seconded by Councilmember Rodriquez. The motion carried by voice vote: Ayes: Cardenas, Hammer, Kazarian, Rodriquez. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Parra.

Councilmember Kazarian made a motion to adopt as amended pursuant to revised Condition No. 11, Resolution No. 2425, "A Resolution Before the City Council of the City of Fowler Count of Fresno, State of California Approving Tentative Subdivision Map No. 6188", seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hammer. The motion carried by voice vote: Ayes: Cardenas, Hammer, Kazarian, Rodriquez. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Parra.

To Consider Revised Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map (VTSM) No. 5952, General Plan Amendment No. 19-01, Zoning Ordinance Amendment (Rezone) No. 19-01, Annexation to the City of Fowler, and Adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration, Submitted by RJ Hill for Approximately 67.17 acres at the Southwest Corner of Sumner Avenue and Sunnyside Avenue and the Northeast Corner of Parlier Avenue and Sunnyside Avenue.

Mayor Cardenas recused himself due to conflict of interest on the project from having a business relationship with a nearby property owner. Jeff O'Neal, stated that staff recommends that the City Council affirms the recommendation of the Planning Commission to adopt a mitigated negative declaration, deny General Plan Amendment No. 19-01, approve Rezone No. 19-01, approve revised vesting TSM No. 5952, and initiate annexation to the City of Fowler. In 2010 RJ Hill has proposed a number of alternatives to subdivide the land at the southwest corner of South and Sunnyside Avenues. In 2017 the Council denied on appeal a 171-lot planned development occupying the 40-acre site. RJ Hill has modified the proposal and submitted a revised tentative map that is consistent with the direction provide by staff, Planning Commission and the City Council. The revised map proposes 143 single-family lots on 39.91 acres. Mr. O'Neal provided points of discussion on the project: Open Space, Pedestrian Access, Remainder Lot, Traffic Study Storm Drain Hydrology Calculations, and Portable Water Model Preparation. The developer has submitted a detailed and comprehensive set of proposed site plans and elevations. The Development is expected to occur over a four-year period with project construction beginning in 2020 and completed by 2024. The applicant proposes to amend the General Plan Land Use designation from Medium Low to Medium Density; the General Plan Table 5-1 indicates that the R-1-6 zone district is "most compatible" with the Medium Density Land Use designation; however; the practical density of development that can occur within the R-1-6 zone district falls within the range of densities prescribed by the Medium Low Density General Plan Land Use designation. The Planning Commission adopted Resolution No. 639 recommending that the City Council deny General Plan Amendment No. 19-01. Mr. O'Neal said the project site is within the City's Sphere of Influence and is adjacent to the SOI boundary on the west and south. LAFCo will consider a request for annexation once the City has approved the project and initiated the annexation process.

Mayor Pro Tem Hammer opened the duly noticed public hearing on the matter at 7:59 p.m. Larry Veiz; Fowler resident asked if the project would be proposing to build school bus stop benches in the area for future bus stops. His concerns are that there are no bus stop benches for the children that are waiting at the curb for the buses to arrive. Councilmember Kazarian suggested directing staff to look into gathering more information on the bus stop benches and implementing it. The hearing closed at 8:03 p.m.

Councilmember Rodriquez made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2426, "A Resolution Before the City Council of the City of Fowler County of Fresno, State of California Adopting Mitigated Negative Declaration for Revised Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map No. 5952 Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act", seconded by Councilmember Kazarian. The motion carried by voice vote: Ayes: Hammer, Kazarian, Rodriquez. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Parra. Recused: Cardenas.

Councilmember Kazarian made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2427 as amended (typo) "A Resolution Before the City Council of the City of Fowler County of Fresno, State of California Denying General Plan Amendment No. 19-01 for Assessor's Parcel No. 345-100-19S", seconded by Councilmember Rodriquez. The motion carried by voice vote: Ayes: Hammer, Kazarian, Rodriquez. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Parra. Recused: Cardenas.

Councilmember Rodriquez made a motion to waive the First Reading and approve Ordinance No. 2019-02, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Fowler Amending the Official Zoning Map of the City to Reflect a Change of Zone for Assessor's Parcel No's 345-100-07 and 345-100-19S", seconded by Councilmember Kazarian. The motion carried by voice vote: Ayes: Hammer, Kazarian, Rodriquez. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Parra. Recused: Cardenas.

Councilmember Rodriquez made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2428 as amended with Condition 11, "A Resolution Before the City Council of the City of Fowler County of Fresno, State of California Approving Revised Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map No. 5952", seconded by Councilmember Kazarian. The motion carried by voice vote: Ayes: Hammer, Kazarian, Rodriquez. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Parra. Recused: Cardenas.

Councilmember Kazarian made a motion to adopt as amended, Resolution No. 2429, "A Resolution Before the City Council of the City of Fowler County of Fresno, State of California Requesting that the Local Agency Formation Commission Undertake Proceedings for the Sunnyside-South Southwest Reorganization", seconded Councilmember Rodriquez. The motion carried by voice vote: Ayes: Hammer, Kazarian, Rodriquez. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Parra. Recused: Cardenas.

COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Davis reminded the Council of the Annual Mayor's Breakfast on Friday, May 10, 2019, at Jocy's.

STAFF REPORT

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Ms. Davis mentioned the final meeting of a series of community park grant meetings was held earlier today. The meetings consisted of gathering information from residents on the proposed design features of the park based on a point system. Staff met with consultants and discussed that if the grant is awarded; the City will be audited by the State if those items chosen by the citizens were not implemented for the park. She asked to set a joint workshop on May 21, 2019 at 5:00

p.m. with the Council and the School District to discuss the features that the citizens have come up with to ensure that they are similar to what was planned when the property was purchased for a future sports park.

City Manager Davis attended a presentation in the City of Kingsburg for a new T-Mobile Customer Experience Center. T-Mobile has chosen Kingsburg as the location for their Center, which will create 1,000 new jobs. Valley Children's Medical Center will be having their grand opening on Thursday, May 30, 2019, by invitation only, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Public Works Supervisor Lopez said the parking stalls located at St. Lucy's church have been restriped. Parking stalls will also be restriped at Panzak Park and Merced Street.

He mentioned he received the results of the water testing from the State and the results are good.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

No report was given.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Police Chief Alcaraz circulated Part 1 Crime Stats for the month of April.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

No report was given.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney Wolfe announced that the State may have plans for proposed subdivision for Cities. The State wants to create affordable housing by allowing any density housing project from any residential zone district. This could potentially create problems for cities.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The consent calendar consisted of: A) Ratification of Warrants – May 7, 2019; B) Approve Minutes of the City Council Meeting and Fowler Public Financing Authority Joint Meeting – April 16, 2019; C) Adopt Resolution No. 2430 "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Fowler Authorizing Officials to Execute Agreements with Caltrans". Councilmember Kazarian made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar, seconded by Councilmember Rodriquez. The motion carried by voice vote: Ayes: Cardenas, Hammer, Kazarian, Rodriquez. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Parra.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Cardenas commented on the Employee Appreciation Dinner and thanked staff for their help in organizing the event.

Mayor Pro Tem Hammer said the Spring Fest event was a success; there were over 60 vendors at the event; Fourth of July event is right around the corner. He said the Farmer's Market will possibly start in August instead of July this year.

Councilmember Kazarian commented on the success of the Employee Appreciation Dinner, noting that there was a great turn-out.

Closed session listed on the agenda was not held.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, Councilmember Kazarian made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hammer to adjourn. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.



May 21, 2019

State Water Resources Control Board Division of Water Rights Attn: Mitchell Moody P.O. Box 2000
Sacramento, CA 95812-2000
mitchell.moody@waterboards.ca.gov

Dear Chairman Esquivel and Honorable Board Members:

On behalf of the City of Fowler, I write in opposition to Semitropic Water Storage District's (Semitropic) Petition to Revise the Fully Appropriated Stream Status of the Kings River (FAS).

The City of Fowler is a Disadvantaged Community (DAC), and California law recognizes the need to address water supply and quality issues for DACs; thus, it is in this context that the City of Fowler submits the following comments on the Semitropic FAS petition.

Semitropic's FAS petition is submitted in an attempt to secure a right to divert Kings River waters for use in Kern County – outside the watershed of origin. The Kings River is the primary surface water source to the communities within the three counties that comprise the watershed of origin: Fresno, Kings, and Tulare Counties. Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) throughout those counties are now engaged in the process of addressing groundwater sustainability, and use of Kings River high water flows is a crucial element of those sustainability efforts.

Public comments submitted on the Semitropic Project establish that historic Kings River flood flows are less than the anticipated groundwater overdraft in Fresno, Kings, and Tulare Counties. We are aware that planning efforts at various levels of regional and local government are underway to fully utilize Kings River flood flows for addressing SGMA impacts and anticipated growth. It only makes sense that Kings River water should be available to meet these needs within the watershed of origin.

The Semitropic Project seeks to divert Kings River flood flows out of the watershed. By exporting water from critically over drafted groundwater basins, the Semitropic project would significantly impair the ability of the regional GSAs to comply with SGMA without resorting to removing significant lands from production and limiting urban growth. The Semitropic Project would negatively impact the lives and livelihoods of many people in Fresno, Kings, and Tulare Counties who depend on Kings River waters.

California is the first state in the nation to enact a law recognizing that "every human being has the right to safe, clean, affordable and accessible water" – also known as "the human right to water." The Kings River service area includes 51 "Disadvantaged Communities" – areas which most suffer from a combination of economic, health, and environmental burdens – with a population of 646,236. In addition, the area includes 59 "Severely Disadvantaged Communities" with a population of 84,510. In all, 69 percent of the population that relies upon Kings and Tulare groundwater basins lives in a Disadvantaged Community or Severely Disadvantaged Community.

The Semitropic Project has the potential to deprive DACs access to water and jeopardize long-term regional/local sustainability. DACs already disproportionately suffer from poverty, high unemployment, asthma and heart disease, as well as air and water pollution, and the Semitropic Project will only make already-difficult circumstances worse and threaten "the human right to water."

Further, contrary to Semitropic's claims, the Project neither reduces nor eliminate flood risk. Rather, it increases the potential for flooding on the South Fork Kings River.

For these stated reasons and more, the City of Fowler respectfully requests that the State Water Resources Control Board deny Semitropic's FAS petition. The Semitropic FAS petition and Project are not in the public interest. Instead, the Project would only harm groundwater sustainability efforts, and threaten access to safe, clean, affordable and accessible water.

Sincerely,

David Cardenas Mayor of the City of Fowler



May 21, 2019

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Commissioner Cliff Rechtschaffen: California Public Utilities Commission 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

Proceeding Numbers: A.18-07-011 and A.18-07-012

Dear Commissioner Cliff Rechtschaffen:

As the elected representatives from cities throughout Fresno County, we are writing to register our strong support of the T-Moblie/Sprint Merger that is before the California Public Utilities Commission. This merger will bring significant public benefits to Californians through expanded internet access for underserved and digitally-disadvantaged communities; enhanced emergency preparedness and response; increased competition and lower prices; and job creation.

The Central Valley has unique challenges that this merger will help address. Affordable, reliable high-speed internet access is virtually non-existent in many of our rural communities putting these residents at a socio-economic disadvantage. Students are unable to complete online homework assignments, rural patients cannot access telehealth resources, underemployed individuals cannot utilize on-line job resources, and communication for first responders and displaced families is hampered in times of emergencies. Bringing high-speed 5G internet to the Central Valley will connect these residents and provide tremendous public benefit to our rural communities.

In addition to expanding critically-needed internet access, this merger will provide economic benefits for the Central Valley by locating a new Customer Experience Center in the Kingsburg area. The Central Valley has historically been plagued by higher unemployment, lower wages and lower tax revenue than other regions of California. The new Customer Experience Center (CEC) will create 1,000 fully-benefited positions with wages on average over 50% higher than the average wages in Fresno County. Ultimately this could make New T-Mobile one of the largest and highest-paying employers in the Central Valley.

New T-Mobile will also stimulate an additional 454 to 535 jobs within the region as investment ripples its way through the local economy. Together with direct employment, these spillover positions would generate \$7-8 million in tax revenues for the cities and counties in the Central Valley - revenues which will provide funding for services like schools, police and fire, parks and roads. Additionally, New T-Mobile will contribute as much as \$122 million to California's economy.

On behalf of our residents who are disproportionately impacted by California's digital divide, we urge you to swiftly approve this merger. Doing so will help connect rural residents to the benefits high-speed internet is already bringing to more urban areas of the state, and it will allow the Customer Experience Center to move forward creating jobs and economic growth in our region.

Sincerely,

David Cardenas Mayor City of Fowler

Cc: Governor Gavin Newsom Attorney General Xavier Becerra

RESOLUTION NO. 2432

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FOWLER SUPPORTING THE MERGER OF T-MOBILE AND SPRINT.

WHEREAS, California's digital divide is leaving low-income, rural and communities of color behind as business opportunities, health care and education increasingly require high-speed internet; and

WHEREAS, 74% of Californians now have broadband subscriptions at home, but only 55% of low-income and 59% of rural households do, putting these families at a socio-economic disadvantage; and

WHEREAS, first responders and displaced families in rural communities face communications challenges in times of emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the proposed T-Mobile/Sprint merger will bring significant public benefits to Californians through expanded internet access for underserved and digitally-disadvantaged communities; enhanced emergency preparedness and response; increased competition and lower prices; and job creation; and

WHEREAS, By 2024, New T-Mobile will deliver wireless broadband speeds faster than 150 megabits per second (Mbps) to 97 percent of California's population and faster than 300 Mbps to 93 percent of California's population; and

WHEREAS, The Central Valley has unique challenges that this merger will help address by providing affordable, reliable high-speed internet access in communities where it is virtually non-existent today; and

WHEREAS, This merger will also provide economic benefits for the Central Valley by locating a new Customer Experience Center (CEC) in the Kingsburg area. The CEC will create 1,000 fully-benefited positions with wages on average over 50% higher than the average wages in Fresno County, which could ultimately make New T-Mobile one of the largest and highest-paying employers in the Central Valley; and

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WHEREAS, New T-Mobile in the Central Valley will also stimulate an additional 454 to 535 jobs within the region as investment ripples its way through the local economy. Together with direct employment, these spillover positions would generate \$7-8 million in tax revenues for the cities and counties in the Central Valley – revenues which will provide funding for services like schools, police and fire, parks and roads; and

WHEREAS, New T-Mobile will contribute as much as \$122 million to California's economy.

WHEREAS, these benefits will not come to fruition if the merger is not approved by national and state regulators.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Fowler herby supports the T-Mobile Sprint Merger.

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that the City Council instructs city staff to draft a letter of support for the merger and submit it to the California Public Utilities Commission with copies to the Governor of California and the Attorney General of California.

I hereby certify the forgoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted by the City Council of the City of Fowler at a meeting held on the 21st day of May 2019 by the following vote:

AYES:		
NAYS:		
ABSTAIN:		
ABSENT:		
	Mayor	
ATTEST:		
City Clerk		

PLANNED POST-MERGER INVESTMENT IN CALIFORNIA'S CENTRAL VALLEY BY NEW T-MOBILE WILL CREATE MORE THAN 1,000 HIGH-PAYING JOBS, ECONOMIC STUDY FINDS

In a recently completed report, the California-based consulting firm Berkeley Research Group (BRG) explained how the proposed merger of T-Mobile US and Sprint Corporation would **create jobs**, **stimulate economic growth and expand the tax base** throughout the Central Valley of California.

BRG estimates that planned investments in the Central Valley by New T-Mobile following the proposed merger will **contribute as much as \$122 million to California's economy** and directly generate:

- More than 1,000 new jobs; and
- \$56 to \$65 million in take-home pay.



The Center's 1,000 career-boosting jobs will include managers, frontline representatives and professional support staff, who will enjoy an average wage that is 51% higher than the average compensation in Fresno County. On top of highly competitive compensation, all of New T-Mobile's employees receive generous benefits packages, including:

- · medical and dental health benefits;
- · annual stock grants;
- 401(k) savings plans w/ matching contributions;
- tuition assistance;
- · paid time off;
- · paid family leave; and
- child care assistance.

Beyond the many advantages that New T-Mobile's employees will enjoy, the BRG study found that economic activity from New T-Mobile in the Central Valley will also **stimulate an additional 454 to 535 jobs within the region as investment ripples its way through the local economy**. Together with direct employment, these spillover positions would generate \$7-8 million in tax revenues for the cities and counties in the Central Valley.

Last year T-Mobile and Sprint Corporation announced plans to merge to become New T-Mobile. The companies also announced their intention to build five new state-of-the-art Customer Experience Centers around the United States. And they recently selected Kingsburg, California as one of these sought-after Customer Experience Center locations. With the opening of the California Center, BRG projects that New T-Mobile will become one of the largest and highest-paying employers in the Central Valley.

The new Customer Experience Centers are one part of New T-Mobile's commitment to invest billions of dollars in creating new jobs and supporting infrastructure to bring world-class wireless to customers around the U.S. Other investments include building out a state-of-the-art, nationwide, broad and deep 5G network, and opening new stores to offer more services to an expanding customer base. In total, New T-Mobile expects to create more than 12,000 new jobs to serve small towns and rural communities as a direct result of the transaction.

The completion of the combination remains subject to regulatory approvals and certain other customary closing conditions. Additional information regarding T-Mobile's merger with Sprint can be found at www.NewTMobile.com.



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The California Emerging Technology Fund (CETF) and T-Mobile signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that identifies New T-Mobile's public benefit commitments, pending approval of its merger with Sprint by the CPUC.

The benefits of the T-Mobile-Sprint merger for Californians are clear: Silicon Valley meets the Central Valley.

T-Mobile and Sprint's combined spectrum and infrastructure assets will bring 5G service faster to Californians, with significantly better service to much of rural California.

• Upgrades to advance 5G wireless networks available to 99% of California households with verification of actual coverage and speeds by high-resolution coverage maps performed by an independent third-party testing firm beginning in 2022 through upgrade completion.

Investments in emergency response communications and digital literacy training programs for underserved residents will benefit Californians across the state.

- Digital literacy training and school improvement supported by a \$35 million investment in schools, students, and families through the Lifeline, School2Home, and other digital inclusion programs.
- Support for emergency first responders by retaining existing temporary cellular communications facilities owned by T-Mobile and Sprint in California and increasing the number of those facilities by 50% by 2021.
- Installation of high-speed Internet infrastructure and service for 10 State-owned fairgrounds in rural counties to improve emergency response and expand economic development.

New T-Mobile will increase Internet access choices for all consumers and will provide significant assistance to low-income households and digitally disadvantaged communities.

- Offering of Lifeline rates for low-income households through at least 2024 with free highspeed data and complimentary handsets and with faster broadband speeds and wider coverage.
- Development of a strategic plan to increase the number of low-income customers on Lifeline rates with free Internet access by 332,500 households for a total of no fewer than 675,000 enrolled customers and a commitment of up to \$5 million for promotion of the affordable offers.

That is why the T-Mobile-Sprint merger is supported by so many across the state.













World Leading 5G Network

- The merger will create a stronger and more reliable network, with increased capacity and speed. By 2021, the network will cover nearly two-thirds of the U.S. population with speeds greater than 100 Mbps. By 2024, network coverage will grow to almost 90 percent of the U.S. population with speeds greater than 100 Mbps.
- A major goal of the merger is to rapidly deploy a nationwide 5G network, which will include rural areas—bringing high speed broadband to rural California.
- By combining the assets of both companies such as spectrum and sites, the New T-Mobile will be able to quickly bring benefits to American consumers—much faster than either company could accomplish alone.
- The deployment of a fast, 5G network would bolster California's tech community, allowing for more innovation, new jobs, and the creation of new companies.
- A network with greater capacity will spur competition by other wireless carriers and will drive down the cost of broadband connections for the end user.
- Rural communities would benefit too, as increased outdoor wireless coverage would mean fewer zones with patchy or no service. Improved capacity also means a better overall customer experience.
- Public safety and emergency response will improve, and both urban and rural communities would see the benefits. 5G will improve
 emergency response, as it will help first responders identify callers' precise locations (even within the interior of a building), allow
 smart city sensors to provide alerts and location information, and allowing ambulances to transform into mobile emergency rooms
 with CT and X-ray scanners and high definition video for doctors to supervise care while the patient is in route to the hospital.
- A fast, 5G network will provide a real alternative to expensive fixed in-home broadband—finally providing an option for underserved communities to experience broadband speeds without the high monthly costs.
- Low income, as well as ethnically diverse customers, stand to benefit even more from these dramatic improvements in network
 quality since studies show that they tend to be heavy data users and most likely to rely on mobile services as their sole mode of
 access to the internet.¹
- T-Mobile is committed to continuing the excellent work that Sprint has provided for LifeLine customers in California. New T-Mobile plans to continue offering the LifeLine services provided by Sprint's existing and all new eligible customers in California.



T-Mobile is an Employer of Choice for California

- Our employees are proud of us!
 - T-Mobile received Glassdoor Employees' Choice Award for 2018 and 2019, which ranks and recognizes companies as "Best Places to Work."
 - T-Mobile employees (80%) say they recommend the company to a friend the highest in the US wireless industry compared to 62% at Verizon, 57% at AT&T and 50% at Sprint.
- T-Mobile, long an employer of choice for military families, has committed to hiring 10,000 veterans and military spouses over
 the next five years, and has been named a Top 100 Military Friendly employer 11 times. T-Mobile has also received more than 20
 military friendly honors in the last 10 years due to its guaranteed pay plan, as well as its benefits for leave, training, and deployment.
- For California and the country as whole, T-Mobile and Sprint are powerful employment generators.
 - Together, T-Mobile and Sprint currently employ approximately 82,000 internal employees nationally. When accounting for
 external employees—such as dealers, partners, and service providers—the two companies employ over 225,000 people. After
 the merger, New T-Mobile will have approximately 240,000 internal and external employees.
 - And once the larger economic effects are accounted for, the merger is expected to create and sustain 33,720 new jobs in the U.S. economy from 2019 through 2023.
- T-Mobile believes that diversity and inclusion are employment priorities. There are six employee affinity networks to support T-Mobile's retention and promotion efforts: Access for Disabilities Network, Veterans & Allies Network, Multicultural Network, Multigenerational Network, Pride & Allies Network, and the Women's Leadership Network.
 - Approximately 62% of T-Mobile's workforce is identified as ethnically diverse, and approximately 42% are women (which is significantly above the tech industry average).

A recently completed economic analysis by Cornerstone found that different consumer types vary in how they value network quality, and heavy data users value network speed and coverage more than other consumers. The merger of T-Mobile and Sprint enables dramatic improvements in network quality that will benefit all types of data users, particularly those consumers that are the subject of this part of the workshop discussion.

