



## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, APRIL 01, 2025 at 6:00 PM

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER – 128 SOUTH 5TH STREET, FOWLER, CA 93625

### AGENDA

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1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
4. **INVOCATION BY PASTOR ROD HARO JR OF THE WORSHIP CENTRE**
5. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
6. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

*This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons desiring to address the Council on any matter not described on this agenda. Presentations are limited to 3 minutes per person and no more than 15 minutes per topic.*

7. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

*Items on the Consent Calendar are considered routine and include a recommended action from Staff and shall be acted on by one motion of the Council. If a Councilmember requests additional information or would like to pull an item for discussion, that item shall be pulled from the Consent Calendar and acted upon separately. A Councilmember may register an action on an individual item without pulling the item from the Consent Calendar. A motion to approve the Consent Calendar is deemed to include a motion to waive the full reading of any ordinance or resolution on the Consent Calendar. For adoption of ordinances, only those which received a unanimous vote of the Councilmembers present at introduction shall be eligible for placement on the Consent Calendar.*

[7A.](#) RATIFY Pay Warrants for April 1, 2025

[7B.](#) APPROVE Minutes of the March 14, 2025 Special City Council Meeting

[7C.](#) APPROVE Minutes of the March 18, 2025 Special City Council Meeting

[7D.](#) APPROVE Minutes of the March 18, 2025 City Council Meeting

[7E.](#) APPROVE Minutes of the March 20, 2025 Special City Council Meeting

[7F.](#) Accept the Merced Street Banner Pole Replacement Project as complete and Authorize the City Engineer to file a Notice of Completion

8. **CONTESTED CONSENT CALENDAR**

*Items pulled from the Consent Calendar will be heard individually immediately after action is taken on the Consent Calendar.*

**9. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

**10. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

**11. CLOSED SESSION**

**Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)**

Conference with legal counsel - Existing litigation

Case Name: Aqueous Film-Forming Foams (AFFF) Products Liability Litigation, case #: 2:18-mn-2873 RMG (commonly referred to as the AFFF MDL).

**Government Code Section 54957**

Public Employee Appointment/Employment

Title: City Manager

**Government Code Section 54957**

Public Employee Performance Evaluation

Title: City Attorney

**12. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION AND REPORT ACTION**

**13. ADJOURN**

*Next Ordinance No. 2025-02*

*Next Resolution No. 2778*

*CERTIFICATION: I, Angela Vasquez, City Clerk of the City of Fowler, California, hereby certify that the foregoing agenda was posted for public review on Friday, March 28, 2025.*

*Angela Vasquez, CPMC  
City Clerk*

CITY OF FOWLER  
WARRANTS LIST  
April 1, 2025

<u>ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CHECKS</u>	<u>CHECK NUMBERS</u>	<u>CHECK DATES</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Regular checks	44369-44397	March 13 thru March 26	\$ 214,329.82
<b>TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CHECKS</b>			<u>\$ 214,329.82</u>
 <u>PAYROLL COSTS</u>			
Second March Bi-Weekly Payroll		March 28, 2025	\$ 135,693.92
<b>TOTAL PAYROLL COSTS</b>			<u>\$ 135,693.92</u>
<b>TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS</b>			<u>\$ 350,023.74</u>

**NOTE:**

**Check #44389**  
**Check #44394**

**Void Check**  
**Void Check**

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FUND - 100 - GENERAL FUND

CASH ACCT	CHECK NO	ISSUE DT	VENDOR	NAME	DEPT	ACCNT	----DESCRIPTION----	SALES TAX	AMOUNT
1001	44369	03/19/25	15057	A&C TIRE SERVICE	6120	5205	TIRE REPAIR U#50-PD	0.00	60.00
1001	44370	03/19/25	10007	ALERT-O-LITE, INC	6260	5130	JACKET-RUFF-PARKS	0.00	123.50
1001	44371	03/19/25	14519	AMAZON CAPITAL SERV	6400	5110	SUPPLIES-REC	0.00	2,700.28
1001	44372	03/19/25	15085	AT&T	6120	5220	SERVICE-PD	0.00	170.00
1001	44373	03/19/25	10549	AT&T MOBILITY	6170	5160	INTERSTATE3/05-4/4/	0.00	3,408.71
1001	44374	03/19/25	10026	BCT CONSULTING	6170	5230	DELL LAPTOP-IT	0.00	3,051.61
1001	44375	03/19/25	15119	BOB MURRAY & ASSOCI	6020	5220	C.M. RECRUITMENT	0.00	2,237.50
1001	44376	03/19/25	11268	CITY OF SELMA	6270	5220	ANIMAL CNTR FEB-APR	0.00	4,500.00
1001	44378	03/19/25	14702	DAVE'S AUTO SERVICE	6120	5205	OIL CHANGE U#80-PD	0.00	104.44
1001	44379	03/19/25	10104	FPOA	100	2045	EMP DED 3/14/25	0.00	250.00
1001	44380	03/19/25	10145	HINDERLITER, DELLAM	6030	5220	CONT SVC JAN-MAR25	0.00	300.00
1001	44381	03/19/25	14575	JPRC PLUMBING INC	6120	5190	REPAIR-PD	0.00	140.00
1001	44381	03/19/25	14575	JPRC PLUMBING INC	6260	5203	REPAIR-PARKS	0.00	170.00
1001	44381	03/19/25	14575	JPRC PLUMBING INC	6120	5190	REPAIR-PD	0.00	285.00
TOTAL CHECK								0.00	595.00
1001	44382	03/19/25	14641	KINGS MEDICAL CENTE	6120	5110	MED EXAM-PD	0.00	634.25
1001	44383	03/19/25	10194	LOZANO SMITH	6060	5620	LEGAL SVC FEB25	0.00	141.00
1001	44383	03/19/25	10194	LOZANO SMITH	6060	5620	LEGAL SVC FEB25	0.00	164.50
1001	44383	03/19/25	10194	LOZANO SMITH	6060	5620	LEGAL SVC FEB25	0.00	399.50
1001	44383	03/19/25	10194	LOZANO SMITH	6060	5620	LEGAL SVC FEB25	0.00	517.00
1001	44383	03/19/25	10194	LOZANO SMITH	6060	5620	LEGAL SVC FEB25	0.00	603.75
1001	44383	03/19/25	10194	LOZANO SMITH	6060	5620	LEGAL SVC FEB25	0.00	615.50
1001	44383	03/19/25	10194	LOZANO SMITH	6060	5620	LEGAL SVC FEB25	0.00	728.50
1001	44383	03/19/25	10194	LOZANO SMITH	6060	5620	LEGAL SVC FEB25	0.00	1,658.75
1001	44383	03/19/25	10194	LOZANO SMITH	6060	5620	LEGAL SVC FEB25	0.00	2,564.75
TOTAL CHECK								0.00	7,393.25
1001	44385	03/19/25	13655	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	6150	5510	ENG BP24-49	0.00	19.00
1001	44385	03/19/25	13655	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	6150	5510	ENG BP23-343	0.00	57.00
1001	44385	03/19/25	13655	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	6150	5510	ENG CLAYTON INDUSTR	0.00	722.00
1001	44385	03/19/25	13655	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	6150	5510	ENG BP23-137	0.00	852.08
1001	44385	03/19/25	13655	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	6150	5220	TM 25-03	0.00	1,324.00
1001	44385	03/19/25	13655	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	6150	5510	ENG FM TRACT 6405	0.00	1,483.80
1001	44385	03/19/25	13655	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	6200	5510	ONCALL ENG 2025 JAN	0.00	26,908.31
1001	44385	03/19/25	13655	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	6150	5220	ONCALL PLANFY25 DEC	0.00	30,416.40
1001	44385	03/19/25	13655	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	6150	5220	ONCALL PLANFY25 JAN	0.00	33,446.50
1001	44385	03/19/25	13655	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	6150	5510	ENG SOUTH AVE	0.00	2,079.69
1001	44385	03/19/25	13655	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	6150	5220	CUP 24-27	0.00	2,107.50
1001	44385	03/19/25	13655	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	6150	5510	ENG CON MARSH EST I	0.00	3,614.74

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1001	44385	03/19/25	13655	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	6150	5220	TM 22-0047	0.00	3,931.30
1001	44385	03/19/25	13655	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	6150	5220	TM 24-31	0.00	5,039.40
TOTAL CHECK									112,001.72
1001	44386	03/19/25	14479	RG POWER	6200	5200	EQUIPMENT-ST	0.00	1,292.98
1001	44387	03/19/25	14358	SPARKLETTS	6020	5121	WTR SVC MAR25-ADMIN	0.00	97.34
1001	44387	03/19/25	14358	SPARKLETTS	6120	5121	WTR SVC MAR25-PD	0.00	97.35
TOTAL CHECK									194.69
1001	44388	03/19/25	10085	STATE OF CA DEPARTM	6120	5310	ANALYSIS FEB25-PD	0.00	105.00
1001	44390	03/19/25	12791	THE MOWERS EDGE	6260	5203	SUPPLIES-PARKS	0.00	18.41
1001	44390	03/19/25	12791	THE MOWERS EDGE	6200	5715	EQUIPMENT-ST	0.00	2,262.89
1001	44390	03/19/25	12791	THE MOWERS EDGE	6260	5203	EQUIPMENT-PARKS	0.00	2,262.89
TOTAL CHECK									4,544.19
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	6120	5185	MATS/MOPS FEB25-PD	0.00	8.70
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	6120	5185	MATS/MOPS FEB25-PD	0.00	8.70
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	6120	5185	MATS/MOPS JAN25-PD	0.00	8.70
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	6700	5185	JANITOR12/19/24-SNC	0.00	72.04
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	6200	5185	UNIFORMS JAN25-ST	0.00	76.92
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	6200	5185	UNIFORMS JAN25-ST	0.00	77.73
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	6700	5185	JANITOR1/30/25-SN C	0.00	78.65
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	6700	5185	JANITOR2/13/25-SN C	0.00	82.40
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	6700	5185	JANITOR2/27/25-SN C	0.00	82.40
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	6200	5185	UNIFORMS JAN25-ST	0.00	82.87
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	6700	5185	JANITOR 2/6/25-SN C	0.00	91.54
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	6700	5185	JANITOR2/20/25-SN C	0.00	91.54
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	6700	5185	JANITOR 3/6/25-SN C	0.00	91.54
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	6020	5185	MATS/MOPS FEB25-ADM	0.00	92.06
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	6020	5185	MATS/MOPS FEB25-ADM	0.00	92.06
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	6200	5185	UNIFORMS FEB25-ST	0.00	95.29
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	6020	5185	MATS/MOPS JAN25-ADM	0.00	87.18
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	6200	5185	UNIFORMS FEB25-ST	0.00	87.42
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	6200	5185	UNIFORMS FEB25-ST	0.00	103.07
TOTAL CHECK									1,410.81
1001	44393	03/19/25	13521	UNITY IT	6170	5160	CLDBKUP 2/21-3/20/2	0.00	39.99
1001	44393	03/19/25	13521	UNITY IT	6120	5230	TABLET SUPPORT-PD	0.00	450.00
TOTAL CHECK									489.99
1001	44394	03/19/25	14290	XEROX FINANCIAL SER	6170	5180	LEASE MAR25-IT	0.00	1,866.85
1001	44394	03/19/25	14290	XEROX FINANCIAL SER	6170	5180	LEASE MAR25-IT	0.00	-1,866.85
TOTAL CHECK									0.00
TOTAL CASH ACCOUNT								0.00	145,567.92
TOTAL FUND								0.00	145,567.92

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FUND - 212 - ARPA FUNDING

CASH ACCT	CHECK NO	ISSUE DT	VENDOR	NAME	DEPT	ACCNT	----DESCRIPTION----	SALES TAX	AMOUNT
1001	44395	03/19/25	14634	DEWBERRY ARCHITECT	2120	5710	WATER TOWER	0.00	2,520.00
TOTAL CASH ACCOUNT								0.00	2,520.00
TOTAL FUND								0.00	2,520.00

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ACCOUNTING PERIOD: 9/25

FUND - 255 - STATE GRANT AB178

CASH ACCT	CHECK NO	ISSUE DT	VENDOR	NAME	DEPT	ACCNT	-----DESCRIPTION-----	SALES TAX	AMOUNT
1001	44396	03/19/25	13655	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	2550	5710	ENG PD HQ CONST	0.00	1,865.40
1001	44396	03/19/25	13655	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	2550	5710	ENG PD HQ ALLEY COM	0.00	5,614.60
TOTAL CHECK								0.00	7,480.00
1001	44397	03/19/25	15029	VANIR CONSTRUCTION	2550	5710	PHASE 100/900	0.00	34,819.36
TOTAL CASH ACCOUNT								0.00	42,299.36
TOTAL FUND								0.00	42,299.36



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FUND - 256 - DWR STATE GRANT

CASH ACCT	CHECK NO	ISSUE DT	VENDOR	NAME	DEPT	ACCNT	-----DESCRIPTION-----	SALES TAX	AMOUNT
1001	44385	03/19/25	13655	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	2560	5710	WELL #9 DESIGN	0.00	3,594.13
1001	44385	03/19/25	13655	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	2560	5710	WELL #9 DESIGN PM	0.00	1,801.80
TOTAL CHECK								0.00	5,395.93
TOTAL CASH ACCOUNT								0.00	5,395.93
TOTAL FUND								0.00	5,395.93

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SELECTION CRITERIA: transact.check\_no between '44369' and '44397'  
 ACCOUNTING PERIOD: 9/25

FUND - 500 - WATER

CASH ACCT	CHECK NO	ISSUE DT	VENDOR	NAME	DEPT	ACCNT	----DESCRIPTION----	SALES TAX	AMOUNT
1001	44370	03/19/25	10007	ALERT-O-LITE, INC	5000	5202	SUPPLIES-WTR	0.00	314.35
1001	44370	03/19/25	10007	ALERT-O-LITE, INC	5000	5202	SUPPLIES-WTR	0.00	79.32
TOTAL CHECK								0.00	393.67
1001	44377	03/19/25	14429	CORE & MAIN	5000	5120	TOOLS-WTR	0.00	135.72
1001	44377	03/19/25	14429	CORE & MAIN	5000	5120	TOOLS-WTR	0.00	542.72
1001	44377	03/19/25	14429	CORE & MAIN	5000	5120	TOOLS-WTR	0.00	630.75
TOTAL CHECK								0.00	1,309.19
1001	44384	03/19/25	15183	ORTIZ SOTO, JOSE OS	500	2050	UB REFUND	0.00	44.23
1001	44389	03/19/25	13048	SWRCB ACCOUNTING OF	5000	5176	WELL 7 TCP FEE	0.00	565.00
1001	44389 v	03/19/25	13048	SWRCB ACCOUNTING OF	5000	5176	WELL 7 TCP FEE	0.00	-565.00
TOTAL CHECK								0.00	0.00
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	5000	5185	UNIFORMS FEB25-WTR	0.00	103.07
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	5000	5185	UNIFORMS FEB25-WTR	0.00	87.42
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	5000	5185	UNIFORMS JAN25-WTR	0.00	77.74
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	5000	5185	UNIFORMS FEB25-WTR	0.00	95.29
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	5000	5185	UNIFORMS JAN25-WTR	0.00	82.87
1001	44392	03/19/25	13543	UNIFIRST CORPORATIO	5000	5185	UNIFORMS JAN25-WTR	0.00	76.92
TOTAL CHECK								0.00	523.31
TOTAL CASH ACCOUNT								0.00	2,270.40
TOTAL FUND								0.00	2,270.40

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FUND - 710 - AB1600-GENERAL SERVICES

CASH ACCT	CHECK NO	ISSUE DT	VENDOR	NAME	DEPT	ACCNT	----DESCRIPTION----	SALES TAX	AMOUNT
1001	44385	03/19/25	13655	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	7100	5710	SPEED & DELAY STUDY	0.00	12,103.10
TOTAL CASH ACCOUNT								0.00	12,103.10
TOTAL FUND								0.00	12,103.10

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FUND - 730 - AB1600-FIRE

CASH ACCT	CHECK NO	ISSUE DT	VENDOR	NAME	DEPT	ACCNT	----DESCRIPTION----	SALES TAX	AMOUNT
1001	44385	03/19/25	13655	PROVOST & PRITCHARD	7300	5710	ENG FIRESTATION CM	0.00	4,173.11
TOTAL CASH ACCOUNT								0.00	4,173.11
TOTAL FUND								0.00	4,173.11
TOTAL REPORT								0.00	214,329.82



# SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

FRIDAY, MARCH 14, 2025 at 7:30 AM

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER – 128 SOUTH 5TH STREET, FOWLER, CA 93625

## MINUTES

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**1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

Mayor Mejia called special meeting to order at 7:31 a.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT**

- Juan Mejia
- Amarjeet Gill
- Leonard Hammer
- Karnig Kazarian (arrived at 7:32 a.m.)
- Daniel Parra

**City Staff Present:** City Attorney Cross and City Clerk Vasquez.

**Bob Murray & Associates Representative Present:** Stephanie Dietz

**3. CLOSED SESSION**

Government Code Section 54957  
Public employment appointment/employment  
Title: City Manager

The special meeting went into closed session at 7:32 a.m.

**4. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION AND REPORT ACTION**

There was no reportable action.

The special meeting reconvened into open session at 10:52 a.m.

**5. ADJOURN**

Having no further business, the special meeting was adjourned at 10:53 a.m.



# SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2025 at 3:30 PM

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER – 128 SOUTH 5TH STREET, FOWLER, CA 93625

## MINUTES

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### 1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Mejia called special meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

### 2. ROLL CALL

#### PRESENT

Juan Mejia  
Amarjeet Gill  
Leonard Hammer  
Daniel Parra

#### ABSENT

Karnig Kazarian

**City Staff Present:** City Attorney Cross and City Clerk Vasquez.

**Bob Murray & Associates Representative Present:** Stephanie Dietz

### 3. CLOSED SESSION

#### Government Code Section 54957

Public employment appointment/employment  
Title: City Manager

The special meeting went into closed session at 3:31 p.m.

*Councilmember Kazarian joined the special meeting via teleconference during closed session at 3:32 p.m.*

*Councilmember Kazarian left the Special Council Meeting at 5:43 p.m.*

### 4. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION AND REPORT ACTION

The special meeting reconvened into open session at 5:44 p.m.

There was no reportable action.

### 5. ADJOURN

**Having no further business, the special meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.**



## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2025 at 6:00 PM

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER – 128 SOUTH 5TH STREET, FOWLER, CA 93625

### MINUTES

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#### 1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Mejia called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

##### PRESENT

Juan Mejia  
Amarjeet Gill  
Leonard Hammer  
Karnig Kazarian  
Daniel Parra

**Staff Present:** Interim City Manager Gaffery, City Attorney Cross, Fresno County Fire Protection District Battalion Chief Dominguez, Recreation Supervisor Hernandez, City Engineer Park, Police Chief Reid, Public Works Director Rocha, and City Clerk Vasquez

#### 6. CEREMONIAL PRESENTATIONS

A. Employee of the Quarter - Gary Whisenhunt

#### 7. PUBLIC COMMENT

*There were no public comments.*

#### 8. CONSENT CALENDAR

**Motion made by Kazarian, Seconded by Gill.  
Voting Yea: Mejia, Gill, Hammer, Kazarian, Parra**

#### 10. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

##### City Manager

10A. WORKSHOP to introduce the proposed Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget - No action to be taken

i. Budget Overview by Interim City Manager

ii. Police Department

- iii. Community & Economic Development Department
- iv) Information Technology Department
- v) Public Works Department
- vi) City Clerk and Human Resources
- vii) Senior and Recreation Programs

10B. Actions pertaining to positions authorized in the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Adopted Budget:

- i. APPROVE Position Authorization Resolution No. 2776
- ii. APPROVE Salary Resolution No. 2777

**Motion made by Parra, Seconded by Gill.  
Voting Yea: Mejia, Gill, Hammer, Kazarian, Parra**

**Planning**

10C. Accept the 2024 General Plan and Housing Element Annual Progress Report

**Motion made by Gill, Seconded by Kazarian.  
Voting Yea: Mejia, Gill, Hammer, Kazarian, Parra**

**11. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

11A. WORKSHOP by the Fresno County Transportation Agency on the Golden State Boulevard Corridor Project

*Updates were provided by Interim City Manager Gaffery and City Engineer Park.*

**12. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

*Updates were provided by Councilmember Parra, Mayor Pro-Tem Gill, Councilmember Hammer, and Mayor Mejia. Councilmembers recognized and thanked Interim City Manager Gaffery for his contributions to the City of Fowler.*

**13. CLOSED SESSION**

**Government Code Section 54957.6**

Conference with Labor Negotiator  
Agency designated representative: Interim City Manager  
Employees: All unrepresented employees

**Government Code Section 54956.9**

Conference with legal counsel - Anticipated litigation  
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of subd. (d) of Gov. Code



section 54956.9  
One potential case

**Government Code Section 54957**  
Public Employee Appointment/Employment  
Title: City Manager

**Government Code Section 54957.6**  
Conference with labor negotiators  
Agency designated representative: City Attorney  
Unrepresented employee: City Manager

*The meeting went into closed session at 7:01 p.m.*

**14. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION AND REPORT ACTION**

*The meeting reconvened into open session at 8:14 p.m.*

**A motion was made by Councilmember Kazarian, seconded by Mayor Mejia, and approved 5-0, the City Council appointed Michael Reid as Interim City Manager effective Friday, March 21, 2025, upon Thomas Gaffery's departure.**

*No further action was taken in closed session.*

**15. ADJOURN**

**Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.**



# SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2025 at 5:00 PM

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER – 128 SOUTH 5TH STREET, FOWLER, CA 93625

## MINUTES

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### 1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Mejia called special meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

### 2. ROLL CALL

#### PRESENT

Juan Mejia  
Amarjeet Gill  
Leonard Hammer

#### ABSENT

Karnig Kazarian  
Daniel Parra

**City Staff Present:** City Attorney Cross and City Clerk Vasquez.

**Bob Murray & Associates Representative Present:** Stephanie Dietz

### 3. CLOSED SESSION

#### Government Code Section 54957

Public Employee Appointment/Employment  
Title: City Manager

The Special Meeting went into closed session at 5:01 p.m.

*Councilmember Kazarian arrived in person at 5:02 p.m.*

*Councilmember Parra joined the Special Meeting via teleconference at 5:02 p.m.*

*Councilmember Parra left the Special Meeting at 5:32 p.m.*

### 4. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION AND REPORT ACTION

The special meeting reconvened into open session at 5:33 p.m.

There was no reportable action.

**5. ADJOURN**

**Having no further business, the special meeting was adjourned at 5:34 p.m.**



## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

### REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

**DATE:** April 1, 2025

**FROM:** SOO HO PARK, City Engineer

**SUBJECT:** Accept the Merced Street Banner Pole Replacement Project as complete and Authorize the City Engineer to file a Notice of Completion

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### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Merced Street Banner Pole Project, contracted with Dawson-Maudlin, is now complete. Staff recommend that City Council accept the project and authorize the City Engineer to File a Notice of Completion.

### **BACKGROUND**

On June 4, 2024, the City Council approved and awarded the contract for the Merced Street Banner Pole Replacement Project to Dawson-Maudlin, Inc. after not receiving any bid submissions via PlanetBids.

The project is now complete, and City staff recommends that the City Council accept the Merced Street Banner Pole Replacement Project and authorize the City Engineer to file a Notice of Completion.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

This item does not require a public hearing and was noticed as a part of the City Council Agenda.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

This project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines pursuant to Section 15302 as this project is the replacement of the existing banner poles located on the same site and will serve the same purpose as the poles that will be replaced.

### **GENERAL PLAN CONSISTENCY**

#### General Plan Goal CDES-1

Through community design, Fowler fosters and reinforces the City’s unique sense of place.

General Plan Policy CDES-7

Maintain the integrity of community identifiers, that contribute to Fowler’s character. Community identifiers may include notable landmarks; historic buildings; and areas of historic, architectural, or aesthetic value.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

The contract amount of \$71,577 was funded from the City’s General Fund.

**PROCUREMENT PROCESS**

The City followed the informal bidding procedures as authorized by the California Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act. However, no contractors submitted a bid for the project when advertised on Planet Bids. Therefore, a direct quote was solicited from Dawson-Mauldin, Inc., who is a qualified General Contractor.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Staff is not aware of any conflicts of interest.

Attachments

- None