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CITY OF ATWATER

City Council

AGENDA

Council Chambers
750 Bellevue Road
Atwater, California

August 25, 2025

REGULAR SESSION: (Council Chambers)

CALL TO ORDER:

6:00 PM

INVOCATION:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

ROLL CALL: (City Council)

Ambriz _____, Cale _____, Raymond _____, Rochester _____, Nelson _____

SUBSEQUENT NEED ITEMS: (The City Clerk shall announce any requests for items requiring immediate action subsequent to the posting of the agenda. Subsequent need items require a two-thirds vote of the members of the City Council present at the meeting.)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS POSTED OR AS AMENDED: (This is the time for the City Council to remove items from the agenda or to change the order of the agenda.)

PRESENTATIONS:

- **Monthly report by Merced County District 3 Supervisor McDaniel**

CONSENT CALENDAR:

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Background information has been provided on all matters listed under the Consent Calendar, and these items are considered to be routine. All items under the Consent Calendar are normally approved by one motion. If a Councilmember requests separate discussion on any item, that item will be removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action.

WARRANTS:

1. **August 25, 2025**

Staff's Recommendation: Approval of warrants as listed.

MINUTES: (Planning Commission)

2. **June 18, 2025 - Regular meeting**

Staff's Recommendation: Acceptance of minutes as listed.

MINUTES: (City Council)

3. **a.) June 9, 2025 - Regular meeting
b.) June 23, 2025 - Regular meeting**

Staff's Recommendation: Approval of minutes as listed.

RESOLUTIONS:

4. **Approving Budget Amendment for Previously Approved Purchase of Type I Fire Engine (Finance Director Nicholas)**

Staff's Recommendation: Adoption of Resolution No. 3564-25 approving Budget Amendment No. 3, which amends the Fiscal Year 2025-26 budget by increasing the appropriation of general ledger account number 1093-2030-6021 in the amount of \$285,786 and reducing the appropriation of general ledger account number 0001-2030-6021 in the amount of \$285,786 for an amended line item budget amount of \$348,214.

5. **Approving Memorandum of Understanding with the County of Merced Office of Emergency Services for the State Homeland Security Grant**

Programs Funding for Equipment, Planning, Administration, Training and Exercises (CAL FIRE Battalion Chief Randol)

Staff's Recommendation: Adoption of Resolution No. 3565-25 approving the Memorandum of Understanding, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with the County of Merced Office of Emergency Services for the State Homeland Security Grant Programs Funding for Equipment, Planning, Administration, Training and Exercises; and authorizes and directs the City Manager, or designee, to execute any and all documents related to the Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the City.

6. Adopting the City of Atwater Emergency Operations Plan and Emergency Operations Center Annex (CAL FIRE Battalion Randol)

Staff's Recommendation: Adoption of Resolution No. 3566-25 adopting the City of Atwater Emergency Operations Plan and Emergency Operations Center Annex.

OTHER ACTIONABLE ITEMS:**7. Approving Fee Waiver Requested by Merced County Registrar of Voters to Use Atwater Community Center as a Voting Assistance Center for the 2025 Statewide Special Election (City Clerk Billings & Merced County Registrar of Voters)**

Staff's Recommendation: Approval of a fee waiver requested by the Merced County Registrar of Voters to use the Atwater Community Center from October 24, 2025 to November 4, 2025 for the Election; and authorizes and directs the City Manager, or designee, to execute any and all documents necessary to waive the facility rental fees associated with Merced County Registrar of Voters using the Atwater Community Center as a Voting Assistance Center.

8. 2025 City Council Reorganization / Mayor's Committee Assignments – Committee Assignment Updates and Appointments

Staff's Recommendation: Receive the Mayor's 2025 Committee Assignments; approve updates to existing committee assignments and appointments as presented.

*****END OF CONSENT CALENDAR*****

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS FROM STAFF:**9. Accepting the Fruitland Avenue Reconstruction Phase 3 as Complete (City Manager Hoem)**

Staff's Recommendation: Motion to accept work done under the contract for Fruitland Avenue Reconstruction Phase 3, City Project 16-2-3; and authorizes and directs the City Manager to sign a Notice of Completion and have it recorded on behalf of the City; or

Motion to approve staff's recommendation as presented.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

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CITY COUNCIL REPORTS/UPDATES:

- **City Council Member Cale, District 1**
- **City Council Member Rochester, District 2**
- **City Council Member Ambriz, District 3**
- **City Council Member Raymond, District 4**
- **Mayor Nelson**


CITY MANAGER REPORTS/UPDATES:

10. Update from the City Manager

ADJOURNMENT:

CERTIFICATION:

I, Kory J. Billings, City Clerk of the City of Atwater, do hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing agenda was posted at City Hall a minimum of 72 hours prior to the meeting.



KORY J. BILLINGS
CITY CLERK

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