

RESOLUTION NO. (N.C.S.)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND ALISAL VIBRANCY PLAN CIP FUNDS TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL LIGHTING AND CAMERAS AT IDENTIFIED LOCATIONS IN THER NEIGHBORHOOD BOUDNED BY ROOSEVELT STREET, KINGS STREET, AND NORTH MADERIA AVENUE

WHEREAS, residents of Las Casas de Madera and the surrounding neighborhood raised concerns regarding prostitution occurring in the area and the impact it has on safety, and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, in response, a cross-department coordination team (Team) made up of representatives from Police, Public Works, Community Development, Library & Community Services, and the City Attorney's office was established to identify a multi-pronged strategy to address neighborhood concerns; and

WHEREAS, identified strategies were presented to the City Council on May 27, 2025, and to neighborhood residents at a community meeting on September 16, 2025; and

WHEREAS, recommended strategies included installation of cameras and additional lighting, permit and/or parking restrictions, and evaluation of the correlation between food truck and human trafficking and prostitution activities; and

WHEREAS, based on the feedback received from the community, the Team recommends the purchase and installation of lighting and cameras at identified locations in the Alisal neighborhood bounded by Roosevelt Street, Kings Street, and North Madeira Avenue between East Alisal and East Market Streets; and

WHEREAS, Community Development Block Grant funds are identified as funding source for the proposed purchase and installation lighting; and

WHEREAS, a Substantial Amendment will be presented to City Council for consideration on November 18, 2025, to re-appropriate \$620,000 from Chinatown Improvement Activities, which are not shovel ready, to Alisal improvements, including lighting; and

WHEREAS, should the City Council approve the Amendment, it will be forwarded to the Housing and Urban Development Department (HUD) for approval; and

WHEREAS, Alisal Vibrancy Plan (AVP) Capital Improvement Project (CIP 9246) is the identified funding source to purchase and install cameras; and

WHEREAS, the cost to purchase and install nine cameras is \$94,234, including and annual recurring cost of \$840 for the first year of operation. (Exhibit B); and

WHEREAS, on November 12, 2025, the AVP Implementation Committee considered and supported the use of AVP implementation funds to purchase and install cameras; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salinas has determined that the proposed project is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (CEQA Guidelines Section 15378). Currently, CDD staff is in the process of completing a National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) review for the CDBG funding allocation. CDBG funding cannot be released until NEPA review is completed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Salinas City Council authorizes the following appropriations to purchase and install lighting and cameras at identified locations in the Alisal neighborhood, for the specific areas bound by Roosevelt Street, Kings Street, and North Madeira Avenue between East Alisal and East Market Streets:

- 1) The appropriation of \$620,000 of Community Development Block Grant Funds to purchase and install streetlights as shown on Exhibit A.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 18th day of November 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

APPROVED:

Dennis Donohue, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patricia M. Barajas, City Clerk