

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ (N.C.S.)**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE SALINAS CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CITY  
MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES  
WITH PLACEWORKS, INC. TO PREPARE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING CODE  
UPDATES FOR THE CITY OF SALINAS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED  
\$1,000,000**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Salinas (City) is preparing the comprehensive Vision Salinas 2040 General Plan Update, which proposes flexible land use Place Type designations meet community goals and needs; and

**WHEREAS**, Zoning Code updates are necessary for consistency with state law and the General Plan Update and to streamline regulations and processes; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2023-2031 Housing Element adopted in December 2023 specifies that changes to the Zoning Code are necessary for compliance with California state law; and

**WHEREAS**, the City sought professional planning services to support a comprehensive Zoning Code Update, and staff prepared a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a comprehensive Zoning Code Update released the RFP on October 29, 2024, to the City's on-call list for Advanced Planning and Current Planning services, and three proposals were received by the due date of December 6, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, staff from the Community Development and Public Works Departments reviewed and ranked the written proposals, and the City conducted oral interviews of the two highest scoring consultant firms; and

**WHEREAS**, based upon staff's review of the written proposals and the panel interviews, staff identified PlaceWorks as the preferred consultant; and

**WHEREAS**, PlaceWorks and their subconsultants meet the requirements of the Request for Proposals and have extensive experiences with the City and development of zoning codes; and

**WHEREAS**, the funding source for this Agreement is from Fund 2513 (General Plan) which is funded by the General Plan/Zoning Maintenance Fees collected with building permits; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Salinas has determined that the proposed action is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (CEQA Guidelines Section 15378). Because the matter does not cause a direct or foreseeable indirect physical change on or in the environment, this matter is not a project. Any subsequent discretionary projects resulting from this action will be assessed for CEQA applicability.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Salinas City Council authorizes the City

Manager to execute an Agreement for Professional Services with PlaceWorks, Inc. to prepare the Comprehensive Zoning Code Updates for the City of Salinas in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025, by the following vote:

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**ABSTAIN:**

**APPROVED:**

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Dennis Donohue, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Patricia M. Barajas, City Clerk