

DRAFT MINUTES
SALINAS CITY COUNCIL FINANCE COMMITTEE
Tuesday, April 8, 2025
2:00 P.M.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Dennis Donohue, Councilmember Margaret D'Arrigo and Councilmember Gloria De La Rosa.

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Rene Mendez, City Attorney Chris Callihan, Finance Director Selina Andrews, City Engineer/Assistant Public Works Director Adriana Robles, Public Works Director David Jacobs, Community Development Director Lisa Brinton, Library and Community Services Director Kristan Lundquist, Fire Chief Sam Klemek, Police Department representative, Finance Management Analyst Yesenia Nunez, and Acting Assistant Finance Director Abe Pedroza.

Mayor Dennis Donohue called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

2. MINUTES

The minutes of the March 4, 2025 meeting were unanimously approved by motion of Committee Member D'Arrigo, second by Committee Member De La Rosa.

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. FY 25-26 City-Wide Schedule of Fees and Service Charges

Acting Assistant Finance Director Abe Pedroza delivered the annual update on the FY 25-26 City-Wide schedule of fees and service charges, noting the historical increases, outreach to various agencies, and detail by fee group. The committee unanimously moved to recommend a 2.8% CPI increase per the municipal code to the full council on 4/22/25.

B. City Development Impact Fees Annual Adjustment

Assistant Public Works Director Adriana Robles delivered the annual update on the FY 25-26 City Development Impact fees, noting the background, outreach to various agencies, and relevant financials by fund/fee. The committee unanimously moved to recommend a 1.6% ENR increase to the full council on 4/22/25.

C. Sanitary Sewer Rate Study and Rate Schedule

Assistant Public Works Director Adriana Robles presented a follow up to the previous meeting regarding the Sanitary Sewer Study and Rate Schedule. Ms. Robles recapped the sewer system, impacts of funding shortfall, rate study, proposed sewer rates, and additional analysis/findings. The committee unanimously moved to recommend approval of the Sanitary Sewer Rate Study and Rate Schedule to the full council on 4/22/25.

4. NEXT MEETING

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 6, 2025.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:


Abe Pedroza, Acting Assistant Finance Director