

City of Salinas

200 Lincoln Ave., Salinas, CA 93901

www.cityofsalinas.org



Meeting Agenda - Final

Tuesday, January 27, 2026

4:00 PM

SALINAS ROTUNDA

City Council

Mayor Dennis Donohue

Councilmembers:

***Jose Luis Barajas, District 1 - Tony Barrera, District 2
Margaret D'Arrigo, District 3 - Gloria De La Rosa, District 4
Andrew Sandoval, District 5 - Aurelio Salazar, District 6***

Rene Mendez, City Manager

Christopher A. Callihan, City Attorney

City Clerk's Office: (831) 758-7381

ZOOM WEBINAR PARTICIPATION

JOIN THE ZOOM WEBINAR TO PARTICIPATE LIVE AT:

<https://cityofsalinas.zoom.us/j/85780844138>

To participate telephonically, call any number below:

**+1 669 444 9171 US +1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose) +1 253 205 0468 US +1 253 215 8782
US (Tacoma) +1 346 248 7799 US (Houston) +1 719 359 4580 US +1 305 224 1968 US +1
309 205 3325 US +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) +1 360 209 5623 US +1 386 347 5053 US
+1 507 473 4847 US +1 564 217 2000 US +1 646 931 3860 US +1 689 278 1000 US +1 929
205 6099 US (New York) +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)**

Webinar ID: 857 8084 4138

If prompted to enter a participant ID, press #.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**ROLL CALL****CITY OF CHAMPIONS**

Aldo Barron

PUBLIC COMMENT PROCEDURES

If you wish to make a general public comment or comment on a specific agenda item, you are encouraged to attend the City Council meeting in person. Public comment may also be submitted via email at PublicComment@ci.salinas.ca.us and will be entered into the record. Public comments generally are limited to two minutes per speaker; the Mayor may further limit the time for public comments depending on the agenda schedule.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Receive public communications on items that are not on the agenda and that are in the City of Salinas' subject matter jurisdiction. Comments on Consideration, Public Hearing items, and the Consent Agenda should be held until the items are reached.

CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE §84308 - LEVINE ACT

Government Code § 84308. Parties to any proceeding involving a license, permit or other entitlement for use pending before the City Council must disclose any campaign contributions over \$500 (aggregated) within the preceding 12 months made by the party, their agent, and those required to be aggregated with their contributions under Government Code § 82015.5. The disclosure must include the amount contributed and the name(s) of the contributor(s).

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

[ID#25-525](#) Salinas Youth Council Updates and Comments

Recommendation: No action required. The City of Salinas Youth Council will provide an administrative update to the City Council.

[ID#26-007](#) Artificial Intelligence Technology Update

Recommendation: No action is required. Receive an Administrative Report on Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology.

PUBLIC HEARINGS**[ID#25-598](#) Conditional Use Permit 2025-023; appeal of Planning Commission denial of a request to establish and operate an off-sale alcohol related use (Type 21 ABC License) at a proposed convenience store located at the Laurel West Shopping Center at 1018 North Davis Road in the Commercial Retail (CR) Zoning District.**

Recommendation: Approve a Resolution upholding the Planning Commission's denial of Conditional Use Permit 2025-023, denying a request to establish and operate an off-sale alcohol related use (Type 21 ABC License) at a proposed convenience store located at the Laurel West Shopping Center at 1018 North Davis Road in the Commercial Retail (CR) Zoning District.

[ID#25-607](#) Establishment of a Zone of Benefit in the Central Area of the North of Boronda Future Growth Area - CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 3, 2026

Recommendation: Approve a Resolution forming a Zone of Benefit in the Central Area of the North of Boronda Future Growth Area.

CONSIDERATION**[ID#25-553](#) Harden Parkway Path and Safe Routes to Schools**

Recommendation: Approve a Resolution approving the Harden Parkway Path and Safe Routes to School Project and finding the Project categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301, Class 1(c).

[ID#26-009](#) Establishment of a First Time Home Buyer Mortgage Down Payment Assistance Program

Recommendation: Approve a Resolution establishing the First Time Home Buyer, Mortgage Down Payment Assistance Program (MDPAP); and increasing the estimated Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) grant revenue from allocation years 2021 and 2022 by \$1,034,137; and authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to promulgate the MDPAP guidelines, and negotiate and execute all applicable forms, conditional commitment letters, agreements, and subsequent amendments as needed to implement the MDPAP Program.

CONSENT AGENDA

Matters listed under the Consent Agenda may be enacted by one motion unless a member of the Council requests a separate vote or discuss. Members of the public may comment on the Consent Agenda items collectively during their public comment.

[ID#26-001](#) Minutes

Recommendation: Approve minutes of January 13, 2026.

ID#25-620

Amendment No. 2 to Professional Services Agreement with True North Compliance Services, Inc.

Recommendation: Approve a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement for Professional Services with True North Compliance Services to increase the amount by \$200,000 for a new not to exceed amount of \$600,000.

ID#25-609

Fire Station Alerting Systems Purchase and CIP Funds Transfer Request

Recommendation: Approve a Resolution authorizing the reallocate budget to CIP 9987 (Fire Station Alerting Systems) in the amount of \$202,464 from CIP 9541 (Fire Station Repairs) and \$133,744 from CIP 9984 (Fire Training Tower); and the Purchasing Agent to complete the direct purchase of five (5) Fire Station Alerting Systems, including equipment and installation from US Digital Designs (Honeywell), in an amount not to exceed \$429,857.10, which includes a 3% contingency, funded from CIP 9987.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Receive brief oral report from the City Manager.

COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS, APPOINTMENTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Receive communication from Councilmembers on reports, appointments and future agenda items. Councilmember comments are generally limited to three minutes.

ADJOURNMENT

Patricia M. Soratos, City Clerk

AGENDA MATERIAL / ADDENDUM

Any addendums will be posted within 72 hours of regular meetings or 24 hours of special meetings and in accordance with Californian Government Code Section 54954.2 and 54956. City Council agenda reports and other writings distributed to the legislative body may be viewed at the Salinas City Clerk's Office, 200 Lincoln Avenue, Salinas, and are posted on the City's website at www.cityofsalinas.org in accordance with California Government Code section 54597.5. The City Council may take action that is different than the proposed action reflected on the agenda.

Disability-related modification or accommodation, including auxiliary aids or services, may be requested by any person with a disability who requires a modification or accommodation in order to participate in the meeting. Language interpretation may be requested as soon as possible but by no later than 5 p.m. of the last business day prior to the meeting. Requests should be referred to the City Clerk's Office At 200 Lincoln Avenue, Salinas, 758-7381, as soon as possible but by no later than 5 p.m. of the last business day prior to the meeting. Hearing impaired or TTY/TDD text telephone users may contact the city by dialing 711 for the California Relay Service (CRS) or by telephoning any other service providers' CRS telephone number.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

This agenda was posted on January 22, 2026 in the Salinas Rotunda and City's website.

Meetings are streamed live at <https://salinas.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>, televised live on Comcast Channel 25 and on <http://www.youtube.com/thesalinaschannel> at 4:00 p.m. on the date of the regularly scheduled meeting and will be broadcast throughout the day on Friday, Saturday, Monday and Wednesday following the meeting. For the most up-to-date Broadcast Schedule for The Salinas Channel on Comcast 25, please visit or subscribe to our Google Calendar located at <http://tinyurl.com/SalinasChannel25>. All past City Council meetings may also be viewed on the Salinas Channel on YouTube at <http://www.youtube.com/thesalinaschannel>.