

RESOLUTION NO.

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN ON-AIRPORT
LAND LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION
(USA FAA) AND THE CITY OF SALINAS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT**

WHEREAS, on September 3, 2025, the United States of America Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration (USA FAA) requested an On-Airport Lease agreement; and

WHEREAS, in the month of September 2025, the federal government shutdown, along with staffing shortages, occurred and delayed the process to pursue renewal of the existing lease by the expiration date of September 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, On February 13, 2026, United States of America Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration (USA FAA) requested to revisit the agreement to the On-Airport Land Lease; and

WHEREAS, United States of America Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration (USA FAA) finds a continuing need for the FAA to operate and maintain Air Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) in support of airport operations at the Salinas Municipal Airport; and

WHEREAS, at the May 28, 2026, Airport Commission meeting, the Airport Commission unanimously recommended that the City Council approve a resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an On-Airport Lease Agreement between the United States of America Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration (USA FAA) and the City of Salinas Municipal Airport; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Salinas City Council hereby finds and determines that the above recitals and accompanying Staff Report are true and correct and have served as the basis in part, for the actions of the City Council set forth below; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the City Council hereby finds that the use of the Airport property for the continued operation of an air traffic control tower is in the public interest; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council finds the proposed On-Airport Lease Agreement on the Premise to be consistent with the Airport Master Plan and Salinas General Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the On-Airport Lease Agreement when executed shall be placed on file in the office of the City Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the City of Salinas, to execute the attached On-Airport Lease Agreement between the

City and United States of America Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration (USA FAA) at the Salinas Municipal Airport.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 30th day of June 2026, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

APPROVED:

Dennis Donohue, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patricia M. Soratos, City Clerk