

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

**A RESOLUTION OF THE SALINAS CITY COUNCIL EXEMPTING THE CLOSTER PARK REVITALIZATION PROJECT (CIP9350) FROM CHAPTER 37, SECTION 37-50.010(D)(5)(B) ACCESSORY USES AND STRUCTURES UNDER SECTION 37-10.070 APPLICABILITY TO CITY AND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OWNED PROPERTY FINDING THE CLOSTER PARK REVITALIZATION PROJECT TO BE PROPER AND IN THE INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC.**

**WHEREAS**, the Closter Park Revitalization Project (Project) is located at a 6.95-acre city-owned park (Closter Park), Per Zoning Code Section 37-30.340, Table 37-30.150, Park and Recreation Facilities are subject to approval of an administrative Site Plan Review (SPR) in the Parks (P) District; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 13, 2022, the Council authorized the City Manager to enter into an Agreement for Professional Services (Agreement) between the City of Salinas and BFS Landscape Architects for the design, program, and construction management for Closter Park.; and

**WHEREAS**, staff is currently working with BFS Landscape Architecture, on the design and the entitlement requirements to modify the existing ballfields and amenities, construct two (2) new restrooms, amphitheater, farmer’s market / multi-use space, street skate space, and associated site improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 37 Zoning Code, Section 37- 50.010(d)(5)(B) The architectural design of accessory structures shall be compatible with the design of the principal structure by use of complementary building colors and materials, window and roofing treatments, and architectural detailing; and

**WHEREAS**, there is an existing non-conforming Conex Box located at Closter Park that is used to secure and store equipment throughout the year; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Zoning Code Section 37-10.070, notwithstanding any other regulations of this Zoning Code, land owned or leased by the City, or the Salinas Redevelopment Agency may be developed and used for such public purposes and in such a manner as may be determined by the Salinas City Council or the Salinas Redevelopment Agency, as applicable, to be proper and in the public interest; and

**WHEREAS**, establishing the exemption to the zoning requirements for Accessory Structures and allow the Conex Box will streamline the Project’s entitlement approval; and

**WHEREAS**, the exemption to Chapter 37, section 37-50.010(d)(5)(B) Accessory Uses and Structures under Section 37-10.070 Applicability to City and Redevelopment Agency Owned Property and finding the Closter Park Revitalization Project to be proper and in the interest of the public in not considered a Project under CEQA.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Salinas City Council approves a resolution determining an exemption to the Accessory Structure Zoning Code requirements per zoning code 37-50.010(d)(5)(B) to allow a Conex Box as an alternative Accessory Structure for the Closter Park Revitalization Project based on finding the Project to be proper and in the interest of the public.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 20<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024, by the following vote:

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**ABSTAIN:**

**APPROVED:**

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Kimbley Craig, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Patricia M. Barajas, City Clerk