

RESOLUTION NO. _____ (N.C.S.)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ISSUE AN AIRPORT ACCESS PERMIT TO ARCHER AVIATION, INC.

WHEREAS, the City is the owner and operator of the Salinas Municipal Airport and pursuant to Article VII of Chapter 4 of the Salinas Municipal Code has the authority to grant an Airport Access Permit with respect to the Airport; and

WHEREAS, Archer Aviation, Inc., has requested permission to access the Airport from the adjacent property located at 715 Vandenburg Street in order to conduct aeronautical activities on the Airport; and

WHEREAS, access to the Airport from adjacent property may only be granted pursuant to a permit issued by the City and approved by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA); and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the proposed action is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (CEQA Guidelines Section 15378). In addition, CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 includes the general rule that CEQA applies only to activities which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. Because the proposed action and this matter have no potential to cause any effect on the environment, or because it falls within a category of activities excluded as projects pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378, this matter is not a project. Because the matter does not cause a direct or foreseeable indirect physical change on or in the environment, this matter is not a project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SALINAS CITY COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

1. The above recitals are true and accurate and are incorporated herein by this reference as findings.
2. The City Manager is hereby authorized to issue an Airport Access Permit to Archer Aviation, Inc. and is further authorized to approve amendments to the Airport Access Permit as necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

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