



**CITY OF SALINAS
COUNCIL STAFF REPORT**

DATE: June 22, 2021

DEPARTMENT: OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

FROM: Steven Carrigan, City Manager
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TITLE: AGREEMENT FOR TEMPORARY PARKING FOR MONTEREY COUNTY EMPLOYEES

RECOMMENDATION MOTION:

A motion to approve a Resolution approving a License Agreement between the City of Salinas and the County of Monterey to make available City-owned parking spaces for temporary parking for Monterey County employees.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council approve a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a License Agreement with the County of Monterey to make parking spaces available to Monterey County employees on a temporary basis.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The proposed License Agreement makes eight-five (85) parking spaces available on Lincoln Avenue (33 parking spaces) and in the former Salinas Police Department parking lot (52 parking spaces) to the County for use by its employees. The License Agreement will allow temporary use and access to the parking spaces for County employees during regular work hours (7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.) and will originally be for a term of two years. The County will pay one dollar per parking space per year.

DISCUSSION:

The City and the County have been collaborating in recent years on the planning and the future use of the downtown Government Center area, to generally include the City facilities on Lincoln Avenue and the County Government Center between Church Street and Capitol Street. Among the items of continued discussion between the City and the County is the potential for development of a permanent parking structure on County property located at Church Street and Gabilan Street. In

the short term, this vacant land has been identified as a potential site for temporary parking due to the County's need to make additional parking available for its employees. As an alternative to the development of a temporary parking lot at the Church Street/Gabilan Street property, City and County staffs are proposing to allow the temporary use of parking spaces along Lincoln Avenue and in the former Salinas Police Department parking lot by County employees during their regular work hours. This will allow safe and accessible parking for County employees and will enable City and County staffs to continue to collaborate on the potential future development of a permanent parking structure for the use of City employees, County employees, and the general public.

CEQA CONSIDERATION:

The City Council's consideration whether to approve the proposed License Agreement is categorically exempt from environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because such action will not have a significant effect on the environment. (CEQA Guidelines Section 15301—Class 1 Existing Facilities)

STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVE:

The City Council's adoption of this agreement does align with the City Council's 2020-2023 Goals.

FISCAL AND SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

The City Council's consideration whether to approve the proposed License Agreement is most aligned with the Council's Goal of Operational Efficiencies: The continued collaboration on a potential future permanent parking structure supports the City's making necessary investments in order to have long-term savings.

DEPARTMENTAL COORDINATIONS

The City Manager and City Attorney have worked with the Mayor and the other members of the Downtown Government Center Ad-Hoc Committee (Mayor, Council member McShane, and Council member Osornio) on the proposed License Agreement and the longer-term planning and visioning for the downtown Government Center.

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution
License Agreement (with attachments)

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

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF MONTEREY FOR THE TEMPORARY USE OF PARKING SPACES BY THE COUNTY OF MONTEREY FOR EMPLOYEE PARKING

WHEREAS, the City owns the parcel of real property located at 200 and 222 Lincoln Avenue in the city of Salinas (APN 002-246-014-000) which real property is improved with Salinas City Hall, Salinas City Council Rotunda, former Salinas Police Station, and a parking lot. The parking lot is physically located at the corner of Church and Howard Streets (“City Hall Parking Lot”); and

WHEREAS, the City maintains parking spaces on Lincoln Avenue that are available for use by the general public (“Lincoln Avenue Parking”); and

WHEREAS, the County currently has limited parking for its employees and desires to make additional parking available for its employees; and

WHEREAS, the County has initiated a process to provide surface parking on County property at the southwest corner of the intersection of Gabilan Street and Church Street; and

WHEREAS, the City has offered to make parking spaces available in the City Hall Parking Lot and at the Lincoln Avenue Parking for County employee parking for a limited period of time; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that there is a sufficient number of parking spaces in the City Hall Parking Lot and at the Lincoln Avenue Parking to accommodate the County’s Gabilan/Church proposed surface parking spaces for its employees; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County are collaborating for the provision of temporary parking to serve the County Government Center, and for the potential development of a permanent parking structure on the County property at Church Street and Gabilan Street, as identified in the Downtown Vibrancy Plan and Downtown MOU (2016); and

WHEREAS, the County affirms that it will not pursue development of surface parking on the currently vacant County land at Church Street and Gabilan Street during the time the City and County are engaged in good faith discussions and collaboration on a permanent parking structure on the County property at Church Street and Gabilan Street provided that the City makes additional County employee parking available in the City Hall Parking Lot and at the Lincoln Avenue Parking.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF SALINAS that the License Agreement between the City of Salinas and the County of Monterey to make parking

spaces available to the County of Monterey for County employee parking on a temporary basis is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into the License Agreement for and on behalf of the City and as its act and deed and to enter into amendments or modifications to the License Agreement as may be necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is hereby additionally authorized to enter into extensions of the License Agreement as may be necessary for the continued collaboration with the County of Monterey for the potential future development of a permanent parking structure.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 22nd day of June, 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

APPROVED

Kimbley Craig, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patricia M. Barajas, City Clerk