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AGENDA

**NOTICE AND CALL OF A SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
City Council and Planning Commission Workshop
CITY OF CERES, CALIFORNIA**

**City Council Chambers, 2701 Fourth Street
Monday, January 29, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.**

Mailing Address: Ceres City Hall, 2220 Magnolia Street, Ceres, CA 95307-3292
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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lopez

ROLL CALL

Mayor: Javier Lopez
Vice Mayor: Bret Silveira (District 3)
Councilmembers: James Casey (District 1); Rosalinda L. Vierra (District 2); Daniel A. Martinez (District 4)

Chair: Cerina Otero
Commissioners: Gary Condit; Gary Del Nero; David Johnson; Bob Kachel

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NEW BUSINESS

1. City Council and Planning Commission Workshop. *(City Manager)*

ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled City Council Meeting will be held on February 12, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located in the Community Center at 2701 Fourth Street, Ceres, CA

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

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Fallon Martin

Fallon Martin, City Clerk

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COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

CITY COUNCIL

Javier Lopez, Mayor
James Casey, Dist. 1
Rosalinda L. Vierra, Dist. 2
Bret Silveira, Dist. 3
Daniel A. Martinez, Dist. 4

MEETING DATE: January 29, 2024

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Douglas D. Dunford, City Manager

CONTACT: Douglas D. Dunford, City Manager
Doug.dunford@ci.ceres.ca.us, (209) 538-5751

SUBJECT: City Council and Planning Commission Workshop

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION:

Council and Planning Commission hold a workshop to align the visions of both governing bodies in unison for the betterment of the City of Ceres.

I. BACKGROUND:

The City Council and the Planning Commission work very closely on the vision for the City of Ceres, both current and future designs. This workshop will help forge a stronger relationship between the Council and Planning Commission on meeting the needs of the community for the future.

Some of the topics that will be discussed are the following:

1. Transportation
 - a. Raised concrete street medians vs two-way center turn lanes
 - b. Bike lanes
 - c. Curb extensions (bulb outs)
 - i. Commercial and/or residential
 - d. Speed bumps
2. Residential growth
 - a. Single family vs multi-family – preference for one or the other
 - b. Maximum number of stories on housing vs buildings
 - c. Maximum densities
 - d. Minimum densities - lot sizes
3. Commercial growth
 - a. Grocery stores, west side targeting
 - b. Gas stations - annexations
 - c. Car Washes - annexations
 - d. Fast food

- e. Grub Hubs
 - i. Locations
 - ii. Aesthetics
 - iii. ADA Compliance
- f. RV sales
- 4. Industrial Growth
 - a. New areas in general - annexation
 - b. Storage uses
- 5. Signage
 - a. A-frames
 - b. Digital signs
 - c. Billboards
 - d. Flags for advertisements

This list is not all inclusive and additional topics can be discussed as they are brought forth during discussion.

II. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION:

This workshop is a meeting to discuss how the future of Ceres could and can look like. It is a workshop that brings the two deciding government bodies for the city together to be more cohesive.

III. FISCAL IMPACTS:

N/A

IV. EXISTING POLICY / RELATIONSHIP TO THE STRATEGIC PLAN:

N/A

V. POLICY ALTERNATIVES:

N/A

VI. INTERDEPARTMENTAL COORDINATION:

N/A

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:


N/A

VIII. ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:

N/A

IX. STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL:

Staff is provided a clearer picture of the future of Ceres and can begin bringing appropriate material forward to both bodies.

Approved by: 

Douglas D. Dunford,
City Manager