



LEMOORE

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LEMOORE CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBER
429 C STREET
December 16, 2025
5:30 P.M.

SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Please silence all electronic devices as a courtesy to those in attendance. Thank you.

5:30 pm SPECIAL SESSION

This special City Council meeting will run in concurrence with the regular City Council meeting of December 16, 2025.

2- STUDY SESSION

2-2 Discussion of Ordinance to Create Entertainment District (Benavides)

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

I, Marisa Avalos, City Clerk for the City of Lemoore, declare under penalty of perjury that I posted the above Special City Council Agenda for the meeting of December 16, 2025 at Council Chamber, 429 C Street and City Hall, 711 W. Cinnamon Drive, Lemoore, CA on December 15, 2025.

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Marisa Avalos, City Clerk



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Staff Report

Item No: 2-2

To: Lemoore City Council

From: Estevan Benavides, Public Works Director

Date: December 11, 2025

Meeting Date: December 16, 2025

Subject: Discussion of Ordinance to Create Entertainment District

Strategic Initiative:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Safe & Vibrant Community | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Growing & Dynamic Economy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fiscally Sound Government | <input type="checkbox"/> Operational Excellence |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community & Neighborhood Livability | <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable |

Proposed Motion:

No formal motion is required at this time. Staff requests that the City Council discuss a new ordinance that will create an entertainment district downtown.

Background:

The establishment of the Lemoore Downtown Social District represents a transformative opportunity to evolve our historic corridor from a transactional commercial center into a vibrant, "stay-and-stroll" destination. By leveraging the new authorities granted under California Senate Bill 969, this ordinance removes the regulatory barriers that currently isolate patrons inside individual establishments, instead allowing the energy of our restaurants and breweries to spill out onto the street. This model, successfully deployed in peer cities across the state, creates an immediate economic multiplier effect; visitors who are encouraged to linger with a beverage in hand are statistically more likely to browse retail storefronts, attend community events, and extend the duration of their downtown visits, directly benefiting our local merchant community.

Beyond the economic metrics, this initiative serves as a strategic investment in Lemoore's social infrastructure and regional competitiveness. As neighboring communities in the Central Valley modernize their entertainment offerings, creating a safe, designated environment for social consumption ensures that Lemoore remains a premier choice for

dining and leisure rather than losing tourism revenue to Hanford or Visalia. This ordinance is carefully structured to prioritize public safety through strict boundary enforcement and uniform vessel requirements, offering the City a controlled pilot program that balances nightlife vitality with community standards. Approving this zone signals a commitment to a modern, adaptive downtown that fosters community connection and ensures our historic district thrives for generations to come.

Financial Consideration(s):

None at this time.

Alternatives or Pros/Cons:

N/A.

Attachments:

- ☐ Resolution:
- ☐ Ordinance:
- ☐ Map
- ☐ Contract
- ☐ Other

Review:

- ☒ City Attorney
- ☒ City Clerk
- ☒ City Manager
- ☒ Finance

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