



Meeting Held Via Zoom and Livestream on YouTube.

**AGENDA  
SPECIAL MEETING  
SHAFTER CITY COUNCIL  
THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2020**

**CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19) ADVISORY**

To protect our constituents, City officials and City staff, the City requests all members of the public to follow the California Department of Health Services' guidance and the County of Kern Public Health Officer Order for the Control of COVID-19 restricting group events and gatherings and maintaining social distancing. Additional information regarding COVID-19 is available on the City's website at [www.shafter.com](http://www.shafter.com).

Consistent with Executive Order N-29-20, in-person participation by the public will not be permitted and no physical location from which the public may observe the meeting will be available. **Remote public participation is allowed in the following ways, please see attached supplement for instructions.**

**TELECONFERENCE NOTICE**

Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 Issued by Governor Gavin Newsom on March 17, 2020 and, to the extent applicable, Government Code Section 54953(b), the July 23, 2020 City Council Meeting may include teleconference participation by the City Council Members and City staff. Consistent with Executive Order N-29-20, teleconference locations utilized by City Council Members shall not be accessible to the public and are not subject to special posting requirements.

**CALL TO ORDER:** 4:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Alvarado  
Mayor Pro Tem Lopez  
Council Member Garcia  
Council Member Givens  
Council Member Prout

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

*This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons wanting to address the Council only on matters listed on this agenda. Speakers are limited to five minutes unless additional time is needed for translation. Please state your name and address for the record before making your presentation.*

**MANAGEMENT REPORTS:**

**COMMUNITY DISCUSSION - SHAFTER'S COVID-19 RECOVERY PERIOD:** Discussion regarding Shafter's COVID-19 Recovery Period. No action requested.

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2. City of Shafter
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  - c) Alternative Child Care and After School Program
  - d) Potential Options for Potential Closure of County Library
3. Richland School District
  - a) Following State Mandates
  - b) Compliance Follow-up
  - c) Community Testing and Tracing
4. Shafter Recreation and Park District
  - a) 746 Foundation Community Assistance
  - b) Facility Usage

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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Should anyone challenge any proposed action which is the subject of a public hearing listed on this agenda, that person may be limited to raising those issues addressed at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at or prior to this public hearing. Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in a City Council Meeting, please contact the City Clerk at (661) 746-5000 prior to the meeting or time when special services are needed to allow City staff in making reasonable arrangements to provide you with access to the meeting. Any public record, relating to an open session agenda item, that is distributed within 24 hours prior to the meeting is available for public inspection in the City Clerk's Office at Shafter City Hall, 336 Pacific Ave., Shafter, CA 93263. This is to certify that this Agenda notice was posted at City Hall and the Police Dept. by 4:00 p.m., July 22, 2020. Yazmina Pallares, S/S, City Clerk



**AGENDA SUPPLEMENT  
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**THE JULY 23, 2020 MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO THE  
PROVISIONS OF THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER N-25-20**

In order to minimize the spread of the COVID 19 virus, please do the following:

1. You are strongly encouraged to observe the City Council meetings live via YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/user/CityofShafter/>
2. If you wish to make a comment on a specific agenda item or public comment, please submit your comment via email by **12:00 P.M. on Thursday, July 23, 2020** to the City Clerk at [CityClerk@shafter.com](mailto:CityClerk@shafter.com)
3. If you wish to make a written comment to the City Clerk, 336 Pacific Avenue, Shafter, CA 93263.
4. If you wish to make a comment during the live meeting, callers must first register with the City Clerk at 661-746-5012 before the meeting begins to receive instructions and the call-in number and code. Please call by 12:00pm on the day of the Council meeting to allow ample time for sign up. You will need to provide your name, phone number and the item number you wish to address.
5. All public comments are provided to the City Council and applicable Staff, for review and consideration by the Board prior to taking action on any matters listed on the agenda and are incorporated into the official record of the Council meeting.

The City of Shafter thanks you in advance for taking all precautions to prevent spreading the COVID 19 virus.



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**NOTICE OF  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SHAFTER CITY COUNCIL**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special meeting of the City Council of the City of Shafter will be held on Thursday, July 23, 2020. The meeting will convene at 4:00 p.m., via teleconference. Said special meeting shall be for the following purpose:

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**Affidavit of Posting Special Meeting Notice**

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Yazmina Pallares, S/S, City Clerk

Dated: July 22, 2020



# City of Shafter COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

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Meeting Date: July 23, 2020

FROM: Gabriel Gonzalez, City Manager  
Prepared By: Rachel Zermeno, Assistant to the City Manager

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY DISCUSSION - SHAFTER'S COVID-19 RECOVERY PERIOD

## **BACKGROUND**

As we all know the pandemic has triggered an unprecedented crisis that is much more than a health crisis. It has affected local employment, businesses, schools and much more. As a community it is important to have a platform between government and community leaders to discuss the health and education services in the COVID-19 recovery period that affect our community today. Although public health authorities are working around the clock to contain the spread of the virus, locally it is important that communication between community leaders remain fundamental in starting to identify the areas of need, improvement of services, and safety concerns.

## **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION ONLY**

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