



CITY OF MERCED

Meeting Agenda

City Council Chamber
Merced Civic Center
2nd Floor
678 W. 18th Street
Merced, CA 95340

City Council/Public Finance and Economic Development Authority/Parking Authority

Monday, January 12, 2026

6:00 PM

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Center, 678 W. 18th Street, Merced, CA 95340

Special Meeting

NOTICE TO PUBLIC/AVISO AL PÚBLICO/CEEBA TOOM RAO PEJ XEEM

WELCOME TO THE MEETING OF THE MERCED CITY COUNCIL/BIENVENIDO A LA REUNIÓN DEL CONCILIO DE LA CIUDAD DE MERCED/ZOO SIAB TXAIS TOS KOJ TUAJ RAO HAU CITY COUNCIL LUB ROOJ SAB LAJ

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At every special meeting, the legislative body shall provide the public with an opportunity to address the body on any item described in the notice before or during consideration of that item.

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En cada reunión especial, el órgano legislativo deberá brindar al público la oportunidad de dirigirse a el sobre cualquier tema descrito en el aviso antes o durante la consideración de dicho tema.

Yam sij hawm tsawg kawg 24 teev ua ntej Lub Rooj Sib Tham Tshwj Xeeb uas tau teem tseg, cov ntsiab lus yuav sib tham tiav ua ntej thiab mus saib tau ntawm lub vev xaib www.cityofmerced.gov lossis ntawm Chaw Ua Haujlwm ntawm Tus Tuav Ntaub Ntawv hauv nroog, 678 W. 18th Street, Merced, CA 95340. Txhua cov ntaub ntawv pej xeeb qhib rooj sib tham rau pej xeeb uas tau muab faib cov Council yuav muaj rau pej xeeb tshuaj xyuas ntawm Chaw Ua Haujlwm ntawm Tus Tuav Ntaub Ntawv hauv nroog thaum lub sijhawm ua haujlwm ib txwm muaj.

Muaj kev txhais lus Mev thiab lus Hmoob nrog rau cov khoom siv hnov lus rau cov rooj sib tham uas muaj nyob hauv Council Chamber. Ntawm txhua lub rooj sib tham tshwj xeeb, lub koom haum tsim cai lij choj yuav muab sijhawm rau pej xeeb los hais lus rau lub koom haum txog txhua yam khoom uas tau piav qhia hauv daim ntawv ceeb toom ua ntej lossis thaum lub sijhawm txiav txim siab txog cov khoom ntawd.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: OBTAIN SPEAKER CARD FROM THE CITY
CLERK/COMENTARIO DEL PÚBLICO / KEV HLOOV RAU TEJ PEJ XEEM TXOG KEV
TAWM SUAB, NCAUS LUS:**

Members of the audience who wish to address the City Council are requested to complete a speaker card available at the podium in the back of the Council Chamber. Please submit the completed card to the City Clerk before the item is called, preferably before the meeting begins.

Material may be emailed to cityclerk@cityofmerced.gov no later than 1 PM on the day of the meeting. Please specify which portion of the agenda you are commenting on. Material received before the deadline will be sent to the City Council and will be part of the record and will be mentioned as part of the Written Petitions and Communications portion of the agenda. Any emails received by the 1PM deadline will be posted on the City's website at www.cityofmerced.gov/government/city-council/council-meetings. Any correspondence received after the 1PM deadline will be distributed to the City Council and retained for the official record.

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Los miembros de la audiencia que deseen dirigirse al Ayuntamiento deben completar una tarjeta de orador disponible en el podio en la parte de atrás de la Cámara del Concejo. Envíe la tarjeta completa al secretario de la ciudad antes de que se llame al artículo, preferiblemente antes de que comience la reunión.

El material puede enviarse por correo electrónico a cityclerk@cityofmerced.gov a más tardar a la 1 p.m. del día de la reunión.

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Cov pej xeeem los koom lub rooj sib tham uas xav tawm suab rau lub nroog cov Nom Tswv (City Council) muaj feem los sau ntawv hauv daim ntawv tawm suab nyob ntawm lub sam thiaj hais lus sab xis ntawm Council Chamber. Thov xa daim ntawv tawm suab no rau tus City Clerk ua ntej lub sij hawm rooj sab laj pib.

Cov ntaub ntawv tuaj yeem xa email tau rau ntawm cityclerk@cityofmerced.gov tsis pub dhau li 1 PM rau hnuv lub rooj yuav sib tham. Txhua qhov email tau txais 1 PM ntawd yuav muab tso rau hauv Lub Nroog qhov website ntawm www.cityofmerced.gov/government/city-council/council-meetings. Txhua tsab ntawv uas tau txais tom qab 1 PM lawm yuav muab xa rau cov Nom Tswv City Council thiab yuav khaws tseg rau hauv cov ntaub ntawv cai.

Yog koj xav saib video (thaum muaj) los sis mloog cov Nom Tswv (City Council) kev sib tham, mus saib hauv City's website www.cityofmerced.gov, Facebook Live, los sis Comcast Public Access Channel 96.

A. CALL TO ORDER

A.1. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

B. ROLL CALL

C. PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public who wish to speak on the listed agenda item may speak during this portion of the meeting and will be allotted 3 minutes. The Mayor may propose a further limit to the time available for all speakers at the discretion of the City Council, in order to accommodate as many speakers as possible.

Los miembros del publico que deseen hablar sobre el punto del orden del día listado pueden hacerlo durante esta parte de la reunión y se les asignaran 3 minutos. El Alcalde puede proponer un limite adicional al tiempo disponible para todos los oradores a discreción del Consejo Municipal, con el fin de dar oportunidad a la mayor cantidad posible de personas.

Cov pej xeeu uas xav hais lus thaum lub rooj sib tham no thiab yuav muaj 3 feeb rau nws tham. Tus kav nroog yuav muaj cai tshaj tawm kom muaj sijhawm txwv ntiv rau txhua tus neeg hais lus raws li City Council Hauv Nroog lub siab nyiam, kom thiaj li muaj sij hawm rau neeg hais lus tau ntau li ntau tau.

D. ACTION ITEMS

D.1. [26-076](#)

SUBJECT: High Speed Rail Project Update - Merced Station
Presented by the High Speed Rail Authority and Staff is Requesting
Direction from the Merced City Council

REPORT IN BRIEF

Representatives from the High Speed Rail team will provide an update to Council regarding the Merced Station Project. Staff is then inquiring of Council if they desire to provide action and response to the High Speed Rail Authority.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff is seeking direction from the City Council based on the presentation and update provided by the High Speed Rail Authority. Council may select from the following options or provide alternative direction:

- A. Vote to support or oppose the proposed conceptual High Speed Rail Station relocation from Downtown Merced to Southeast Merced upon consideration of the presentation; or,
- B. Direct staff to provide an analysis of relocating the High Speed Rail Station from Downtown Merced to Southeast Merced for consideration by Council before providing a response to the High Speed Rail Authority; or
- C. Direct staff to call a meeting of the Council Transportation/High Speed Rail Subcommittee to further discuss, consider, and prepare a letter of response to the High Speed Rail Authority with consent by the City Council; or,
- D. Other direction as provided by the City Council.

E. ADJOURNMENT