

# City of Merced

Housing Element
Proposed Rezoning
January 2024





#### **Agenda**

- Why Rezones are Required
- Opportunity Sites
- Pipeline Projects
- Rezones
- Q&A

#### Why Rezoning is Required



Align with the Housing Element Updates



Support the City's ability to meet its Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA)



Allow for housing development where housing is currently not permitted



Reduce constraints to housing development and to accommodate special housing needs

## What is Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA)?

- A state-mandated process that requires jurisdictions to plan for enough housing to meet the needs of current and future residents
- Planned housing must be distributed across 5 affordability levels:



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## **Opportunity Sites**

#### Developed through the analysis of:

- Development trends
- Identification of available land that is suitable for housing
- Community input

#### Opportunities Sites may be:

- Vacant lots
- Underutilized parcels
- Nonvacant sites

Broken up into 6 geographic areas:

District 1 – District 2 – District 3 – District 4 – District 5 – District 6

### **Pipeline Projects**

Residential developments that are approved and permitted, but not yet built

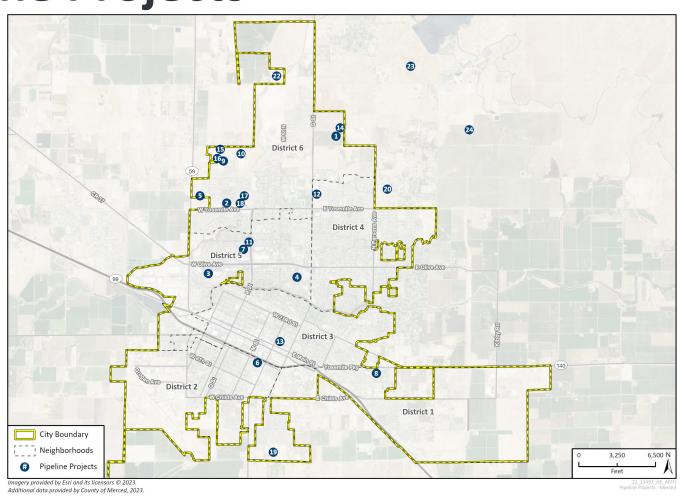
Can count toward RHNA goal

Scattered throughout the city, but mostly concentrated in District 6

Single-family and multi-family projects

27 pipeline projects

## **Pipeline Projects**



#### Rezones



33 rezone sites across the city (3 sites rezoned in 2024 already)



Assessed by TCAC Opportunity area which range from areas of *High Segregation and Poverty* to *Highest Resource Areas* 



No sites have fire hazards



All districts are within minimal to moderate flood hazard zones



All sites include vacant lots



District 3 also includes office uses



6 sites will be rezoned





Rezone from low to medium density, low density, and general commercial to high density and regional commercial

113 additional lower-income units
30 additional moderate-income units



All sites are in TCAC designation of *Low Resource and High Segregation* and *Poverty* 

Total: 143 units



3 sites will be rezoned





Rezoned from **low density residential** and **general commercial** to **high-density residential** and **regional commercial** 

303 additional lower-income units
79 additional moderate-income units

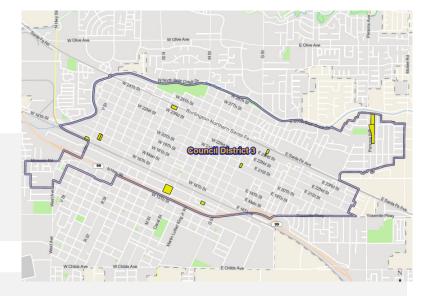


All sites are in TCAC designation of *High Segregation and Poverty* 

Total: 382 units



**10** sites will be rezoned





Rezoned from low density, low to medium density, and general commercial to high-density and regional commercial

395 additional lower-income units
104 additional moderate-income units



All sites are in TCAC designation of *Low Resource and High Segregation and Poverty* 

Total: 499 units



1 site will be rezoned





Rezoned from **low density** to **high-density** residential

172 additional lower-income units
44 additional moderate-income units

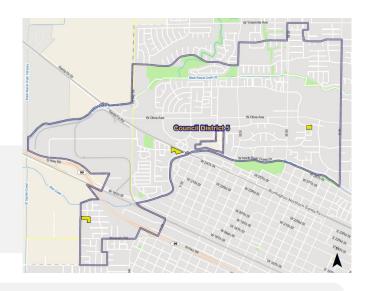


All sites are in TCAC designation of *Highest Resource* 

Total: 216 units



3 sites will be rezoned





Rezoned from low to medium density, low density, and office commercial to high-density residential

145 additional lower-income units37 additional moderate-income units



All sites are in TCAC designation of Low or High Resource

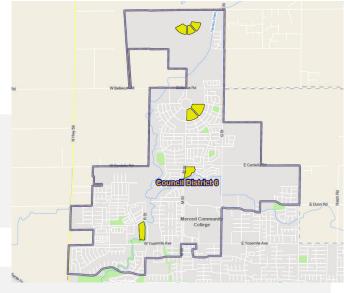
Total: 182 units



7 sites will be rezoned



Rezoned from low to medium density, high to medium density, open space-park recreation, and general commercial to high density

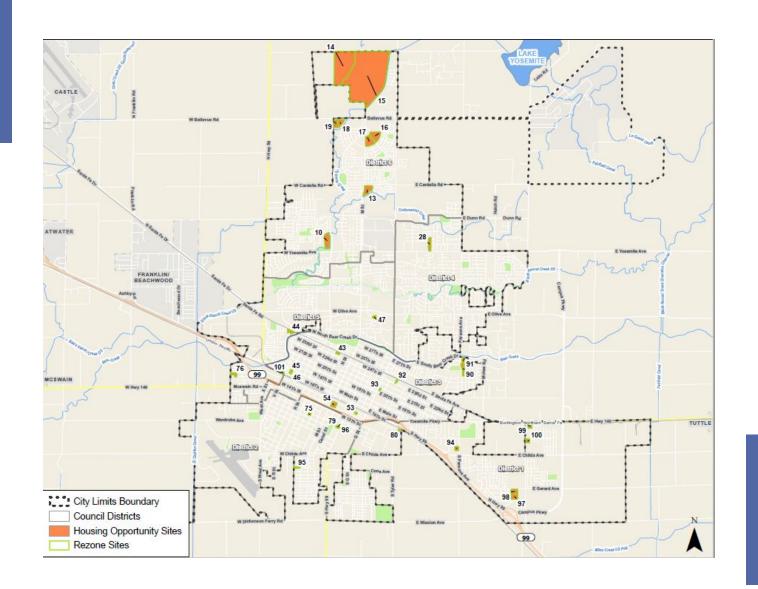


1,088 additional lower-income units 841 additional moderate-income units



All sites are in TCAC designation of *Highest Resource* 

Total: 1,929 units



#### **Next Steps:** Rezone Process

City City Planning Public **Planning** Council Commission Council Commission Input Workshop Workshop Public • Public Workshop Hearing Hearing January January • January 23 • March 17 February 21 22 - Noon 5

## Questions?