

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020- 86**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF MERCED, CALIFORNIA,  
ADOPTING THE CITIZENS' STIPEND SETTING  
COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION TO  
INCREASE THE MONTHLY STIPEND IT DEEMS  
APPROPRIATE FOR THE CITY COUNCIL AND  
THE MAYOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 402 OF  
THE CITY OF MERCED CHARTER**

WHEREAS, on March 3, 2020, Section 402 of the City of Merced Charter was amended by the voters to provide for a monthly stipend for the Mayor and City Council;

WHEREAS, Section 402, as amended, provides for the establishment of a Citizens' Stipend Setting Commission ("Commission") who shall recommend, by majority vote and in writing, the amount of the monthly stipend which it deems appropriate for the members of the City Council and the Mayor;

WHEREAS, due, in part, to the COVID-19 pandemic, the two (2) public hearings of the Commission that were to be held between March 1<sup>st</sup> and June 30<sup>th</sup> were delayed;

WHEREAS, the Commission ultimately held two (2) public hearings, one on September 30, 2020 and the other on October 22, 2020;

WHEREAS, on October 22, 2020, the Commission determined that the recommended monthly stipend it deemed appropriate for members of the City Council is four hundred dollars (\$400.00) per month for the two (2) year period beginning January 1, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, on October 22, 2020, the Commission determined that the recommended monthly stipend it deemed appropriate for the Mayor is five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per month for the his/her entire term beginning January 1, 2021.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
MERCED, CALIFORNIA, DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWING:**

SECTION 1. The monthly stipend for members of the City Council is four hundred dollars (\$400.00) per month for the two (2) year period beginning January 1, 2021.

SECTION 2. The monthly stipend for the Mayor is five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per month for his/her entire term beginning January 1, 2021.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Merced at a regular meeting held on the 16th day of November 2020, by the following vote:


AYES:6 Council Members: BLAKE, ECHEVARRIA, MCLEOD, MURPHY, SERRATTO, SHELTON

NOES:1 Council Members: MARTINEZ

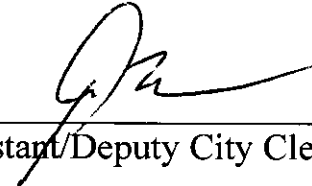
ABSENT:0 Council Members: NONE

ABSTAIN:0 Council Members: NONE

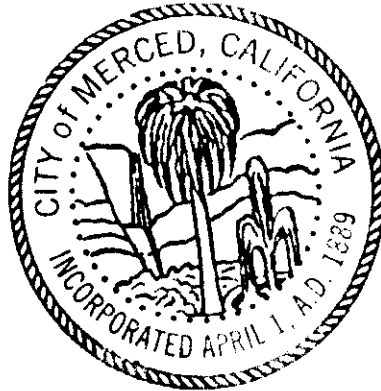
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Mayor

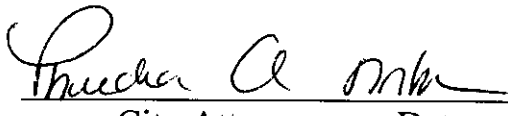
ATTEST:  
STEPHANIE R. DIETZ, INTERIM CITY CLERK

BY:   
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Assistant/Deputy City Clerk

(SEAL)



APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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City Attorney      Date 11/12/2020