



CITY OF MERCED

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

Minutes Traffic Committee

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

2:00 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER

Clerk's Note: Chair JORDAN called the meeting to order at 2:13 PM

B. ROLL CALL

Clerk's Note: Member HAYGOOD was present in MCKINNON's absence. Member PLAGENZA was present in OLMOS's absence.

Present: 4 - Member Calvin Haygood, Member Casey Wilson, Member Jonnie Lan, and Chairperson Daryl Jordan

Absent: 3 - Member Juan Olmos, Member Craig McKeeman, and Member Francisco Mendoza-Gonzalez

C. PUBLIC COMMENT

Brian LAROCQUE - Citizen spoke on his concerns about increased traffic on W Donna Dr. from M St. to R St and that motorists travel at high rates of speed creating unsafe conditions for residents. He also stated that he coordinated with residents to sign a petition and met with previous City Engineers.

Chair JORDAN requested citizen resubmit his application to have his request heard at the next Committee Meeting.

Clerk's Note: Emails were received for the following agenda item F.2 from Katelynn BISHOP and forwarded to the Committee prior to the meeting.

D. CONSENT CALENDAR

D.1

SUBJECT: Traffic Committee Meeting Minutes of July 8, 2025

ACTION:

Approving and filing the Traffic Committee Minutes of July 8, 2025

Clerk's Note: Member PLAGENZA voted aye to approve the consent calendar.

A motion was made by Member Lan, seconded by Member Wilson, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Member Haygood, Member Wilson, Member Lan, and Chairperson Jordan

No: 0

Absent: 3 - Member Olmos, Member McKeeman, and Member Mendoza-Gonzalez

E. REPORTS

E.1

SUBJECT: Committee Member Reports

REPORT IN BRIEF

Committee members to provide informational reports.

Clerk's Note: There were no reports from the Committee Members.

F. BUSINESS

F.1

SUBJECT: REQUEST #25-26 Requesting A Four-Way Stop at the Intersection of G Street and 12th Street.

REPORT IN BRIEF

Citizen shares concerns of the difficulty of trying to make a left turn from 12th Street onto G Street due to speeding cars and obstructed views from parked cars. Currently there is only one stop for east and west 12th street. Citizen is requesting stop signs be added on north and south G Street to create a four-way stop at that intersection.

Mary Lou TORRES - spoke on their request for a four way stop at the intersection of 12th St. and G St. due to increased traffic from the fairgrounds and developments. She noted that there are stop signs at the intersection of 11th and 13th, however, the intersection at 12th and G St. is a safety concern for drivers attempting to turn left.

Chair JORDAN confirmed that the intersection does meet warrant from the data provided from the Police Department.

Member PLAGENZA stated concerns of potential gridlock and proposed a right turn only restriction for the intersection of 12th and G. Due to G St. being a main corridor, and that a four-way stop would be restrictive to the flow of traffic.

Member WILSON shared the same concern as member PLAGENZA that the additional stop sign could impede emergency response.

Member LAN motioned for red daylight curbing to be installed at the

intersection of G St and 12th St, and to make the intersection right turn only onto G St. (This motion should be below)

Member PLAGENZA voted aye to approved.

A motion was made by Member Lan, seconded by Member Haygood, install red daylight curbing at the intersection of G Street and 12th Street and make the intersection a right turn only onto G Street. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Member Haygood, Member Wilson, Member Lan, and Chairperson Jordan

No: 0

Absent: 3 - Member Olmos, Member McKeeman, and Member Mendoza-Gonzalez

F.2

SUBJECT: REQUEST #25-27 Requesting A Yield or Stop Signs at the Intersections of H Street and I Street on West 23rd Street

REPORT IN BRIEF

Citizen states they have witnessed multiple collisions at the intersections of H Street and I Street on West 23rd Street. Citizens believes due to the lack of yield or stop signs at these intersections, motorists drive at a high rate of speed, and they feel West 23rd Street has a higher rate of traffic due to the Amtrak Station. Citizen has concern for the safety of neighborhood children and an increase in traffic due to the Starbucks being developed on the corner of 23rd Street and G. Citizen is requesting either a yield signs of stop signs be installed going north and south on H Street and I Street.

Katelynn BISHOP Citizen - spoke on her concern about the safety of the neighborhood at the intersections of H Street and I Street at West 23rd Street. She stated that she has witnessed multiple collisions with motorists driving at a high rate of speed and requested to have Yield or Stop signs at these two intersections.

Member HAYGOOD provided data regarding multiple accidents that occurred at these intersections and mentioned that these cases happened at faults of drivers such as reckless driving and DUIs, not the intersection itself.

Chair JORDAN determined no warrants are met.

Member WILSON and Member LAN agree to deny this request following no true concerns created by the surroundings at these intersections.

Member PLAGENZA voted aye to deny the vote.

A motion was made by Member Wilson, seconded by Member Lan, deny this request following no true concerns created by the surroundings at these intersections. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Member Haygood, Member Wilson, Member Lan, and Chairperson Jordan

No: 0

Absent: 3 - Member Olmos, Member McKeeman, and Member Mendoza-Gonzalez

G. ADJOURNMENT

Clerk's Note: The Traffic Committee adjourned at 2:41 PM.

Member PLAGENZA voted aye to adjourn.

A motion was made by Member Wilson, seconded by Member Haygood, that this be adjourned.. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Member Haygood, Member Wilson, Member Lan, and Chairperson Jordan

No: 0

Absent: 3 - Member Olmos, Member McKeeman, and Member Mendoza-Gonzalez

APPROVED: _____

