



CITY OF MERCED

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

Meeting Agenda

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

Monday, March 7, 2022

6:00 PM

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

Regular Meeting at 6:00 PM

NOTICE TO PUBLIC/AVISO AL PÚBLICO/CEEB TOOM RAU PEJ XEEM

Pursuant to Assembly Bill No. 361, there may be Council Members participating virtually for this meeting. Members of the public may participate in-person. Should any Council Member attend virtually, all votes for this meeting will be taken via rollcall.

De conformidad con el Proyecto de Ley de la Asamblea numero 361, puede haber Miembros del Consejo participando virtualmente en esta reunión. Los miembros del público pueden participar en persona. Si algún miembro del Consejo asiste virtualmente, todos los votos para esta reunión se realizarán mediante votación nominal.

Raws li tsab cai Assembly No. 361, tej zaum yuav muaj cov Nom Tswv nyob rau tom tsev siv xov tooj tuaj koom tham pom ntsej muag rau lub rooj sib tham no. Cov pej xeem tej zaum nej tuaj koom tus kheej los yeej tau. Yog tias ib tus Nom tswv twg siv xov tooj koom tom tsev tuaj, Tag nrho kev xaiv nyob rau hauv lub rooj sib tham no yuav tau muab los hu npe ib tug zuj zus.

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 TUJAU RAU HAUV CITY COUNCIL LUB ROOJ SAB LAJ

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Sai kawg los yog li 72 teev ua ntej kev sab laj ntawm City Council, muaj pob ntawv kom tswj pub rau tib neeg los nyeem hauv City qhov website www.cityofmerced.org los sis tom City Clerk's Office, 678 W. 18th Street, Merced, CA 95340. Tas nrho cov ntaub ntawv teev tseg ntawm zej tsoom ntawm kev sab laj pub rau pej xeem sawv daws los nyeem tom City Clerk's Office thaum lub caij ua hauj lwm. Muaj txhais lus Mev thiab lus Hmoob.

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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 against the right hand side of the Council Chamber. Please submit the completed card to the City Clerk before the item is called, preferably before the meeting begins.

For at risk individuals or those not wanting to attend an in-person meeting during the current Covid-19 pandemic, please submit your public comment to the City Council electronically no later than 1PM on the day of the meeting. Comments received before the deadline will be sent to the City Council and will be part of the record and mentioned as part of the Written Petitions and Communications portion of the agenda.

Material may be emailed to cityclerk@cityofmerced.org and should be limited to 300 words or less. Please specify which portion of the agenda you are commenting on, for example, Closed Session, item # or Oral Communications. Your comments will be presented to the City Council at the appropriate time. Any correspondence received after 1 PM will be distributed to the City Council and retained for the official record.

You may provide telephonic comments via voicemail by calling (209) 388-8688 by no later than 1 PM on the day of the meeting to be added to the public comment. Voicemails will be limited to a time limit of three (3) minutes. Please specify which portion of the agenda you are commenting on, for example, Public Hearing item #, Consent item #, or Oral Communications. Your comments will be played during the City Council meeting at the appropriate time. For Public Hearing items, if you wish to speak live during the meeting, please leave callback information and you will be contacted with further details.

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

Para las personas en riesgo de aquellos que no quieran asistir a una reunión en persona durante la pandemia actual de Covid-19, envíe su comentario público al Ayuntamiento de forma electrónica a más tardar a la 1:00 p.m. del día de la reunión. Los comentarios recibidos antes de la fecha límite se enviarán al Concejo Municipal y formarán parte del registro y se mencionarán como parte de la sección de Peticiones y comunicaciones escritas de la agenda.

El material puede enviarse por correo electrónico a cityclerk@cityofmerced.org y debe limitarse a 300 palabras o menos. Por favor, especifique qué parte de la agenda está comentando, por ejemplo, Sesión cerrada, artículo # o Comunicaciones orales. Sus comentarios serán presentados al Ayuntamiento en el momento apropiado. Cualquier correspondencia recibida después de la 1 PM se distribuirá al Ayuntamiento y se conservará para el registro oficial.

Puede proporcionar comentarios telefónicos a través del correo de voz llamando al (209) 388-8688 a más tardar a la 1 PM del día de la reunión para que se agreguen al comentario público. Los mensajes de voz estarán limitados a un límite de tiempo de tres (3) minutos. Por favor especifique qué parte de la agenda está comentando, por ejemplo, número de artículo de la audiencia pública, número de artículo de consentimiento o comunicaciones orales. Sus comentarios se reproducirán durante la reunión durante la reunión del Ayuntamiento en el momento adecuado. Para los temas de audiencia pública, si desea hablar en vivo durante la reunión, deje la información de su llamada y lo contactaremos con más detalles.

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Cov pej xeem los koom lub rooj sab laj kws xav tawm suab rau 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 rau tus City Clerk ua ntej lub sij hawm lub rooj sab laj pib.

Rau cov tib neeg kws tuaj koom tsis tau lub rooj sab laj vim muaj kab mob COVID-19, thov xa koj cov lus tawm suab rau City Council hauv computer los sis hauv xov tooj ua ntej 1 teev tav su hnuv muaj lub rooj sab laj. Cov lus tawm suab txais tau ua ntej lub sij hawm sab laj muab xa rau City Council thiaj muab tso hauv daim ntawv kom tswj.

Tej ntaub ntawv thov muab xa rau cityclerk@cityofmerced.org thiab tsis pub muaj tshaj 300 los lus. Thov qhia qhov twg hauv daim kom tswj koj xav tawm suab rau, piv txwv li, kev sab laj kaws, nqes # los sis kev sib tham ntawm ncauj lus. Koj cov tswv yim muab rau lub rooj sab laj thaum lub sij hawm tsim nyog. Tej ntaub ntawm txais tau tom qab 1 teev tav su mam muab rau City Council thiab tso hauv cov ntaub ntawv teev tseg.

Koj muaj feem tso suab hauv xov toom thaum hu (209) 388-8688 ua ntej 1 teev tav su hnuv sab laj thiaj koj lub tswv yim muab tso hauv daim kom tswj. Tso suab hauv xov tooj tsis pub ntev tshaj (3) feeb. Thov qhia qhov twg hauv daim kom tswj koj xav tawm suab rau, piv txwv li, zej tsoom tawm suab #, khoom tso cai #, los sis kev sib tham ntwam ncauj lus. Cov suab kaws hauv xov mam tso mloog thaum lub caij tsim nyog thaum sab laj. Yog koj xav tawm suab thaum sab laj, thov tso koj tus zauv xov tooj, ib tus tib neeg ua hauj lwm mam li hu koj.

Yog koj xav saib video (tham muaj) los sis mloog City Council kev sab laj, ces mus hauv City's website www.cityofmerced.org, Facebook Live, los sis Comcast Public Access Channel 96.

INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

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A. CALL TO ORDER

A.1. Invocation - Pastor Juan Ochoa, Calvary Assembly of God Merced

A.2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

B. ROLL CALL

B.1. In accordance with Government Code 54952.3, it is hereby announced that the City Council sits either simultaneously or serially as the Parking Authority and the Public Financing and Economic Development Authority. City Council members receive a monthly stipend of \$400.00 by Charter for sitting as the City Council; and the Mayor receives an additional \$100.00 each month as a part of the adopted budget and Resolution 2020-86. The members of the Parking Authority and the Public Financing and Economic Development Authority receive no compensation.

C. CEREMONIAL MATTERS

C.1. [22-184](#) SUBJECT: Recognition of the Merced Skimmers Youth Swim Team

REPORT IN BRIEF

Certificates will presented to members of the Merced Skimmers Swim Team.

C.2. [22-180](#) SUBJECT: Proclamation - National Women's Day

REPORT IN BRIEF

Mayor Serratto will present the proclamation.

D. WRITTEN PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

E. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Members of the public who wish to speak on any matter not listed on the agenda may speak during this portion of the meeting and will be allotted 5 minutes. The Mayor may, at his discretion, reduce the time to 3 minutes if there are more than 3 speakers, in order to accommodate as many speakers as possible. State law prohibits the City Council from acting at this meeting on any matter raised during the public comment period. Members of the public who wish to speak on a matter that is listed on the agenda will be called upon to speak during discussion of that item. See MODIFIED PUBLIC COMMENT.

F. CONSENT CALENDAR

Adoption of the Consent Calendar may be made by one motion of the City Council, provided that any Council member, individual, or organization may request removal of an item from the Consent Calendar for separate consideration. If a request for removal of an item from the Consent Calendar has been received, the item will be discussed and voted on separately. See MODIFIED PUBLIC COMMENT.

- F.1. [22-138](#) **SUBJECT:** Reading by Title of All Ordinances and Resolutions

REPORT IN BRIEF

Ordinances and Resolutions which appear on the public agenda shall be determined to have been read by title and a summary title may be read with further reading waived.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion waiving the reading of Ordinances and Resolutions, pursuant to Section 412 of the Merced City Charter.

- F.2. [22-139](#) **SUBJECT:** Information-Only Contracts for the Month of February 2022

REPORT IN BRIEF

Notification of awarded Non-Public Works contracts under \$34,000 and of Public Works contracts under \$76,875.

- F.3. [22-146](#) **SUBJECT:** Information Only - Planning Commission Minutes of February 17, March 3 and 17, April 7 and 21, 2021

RECOMMENDATION

For information only.

- F.4. [22-060](#) **SUBJECT:** Approval of Memorandum of Understanding for the Merced County Operational Area Technical Rescue Team (Merced City Fire Department, Merced County Fire Department, Atwater Fire

Department, and Los Banos Fire Department)

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers the authorization to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for the Merced County Operational Area Technical Rescue Team, which is comprised of: Merced City Fire Department, Merced County Fire Department, Atwater Fire Department and the Los Banos Fire Department.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Approving the Memorandum of Understanding for the Merced County Operational Area Technical Rescue Team; and,
- B. Authorizing the Mayor and the City Manager or the Deputy City Manager to sign the MOU.

F.5. [22-127](#)

SUBJECT: Award Proposal and Approval of a Statement of Service with Park Planet, in the Amount of \$627,205.94, for a Measure Y Funded Project to Replace Playground Equipment at Little Angels Park, 12th & G Street Park, the Love Veasley Family Park, Benjamin Tanager Park, Frederick Douglas Park, Hansen Park, and Santa Fe Strip Park 3, Project No. 122014

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers awarding a proposal and approving a Statement of Service with Park Planet for a Measure Y funded project to replace playground equipment at seven parks throughout Merced.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Awarding a proposal and approving a Statement of Service with Park Planet in the amount of \$627,205.94 for the replacement of playground equipment at seven (7) parks; and,
- B. Authorizing the City Manager or Deputy City Manager to execute the necessary documents and approve change orders up to 10% of the contract price.

F.6. [22-130](#)

SUBJECT: Adoption of Resolution Approving the Administering Agency State Program Supplement No. F036 and Agreement Summary (E-76)

for a Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) Grant CML-5085(059), (Project No. 122066), CMAQ-Traffic Signal Synchronization Project for the Use of \$211,365 in CMAQ Grant Funding for Preliminary Engineering for the Traffic Signal Synchronization Project Which Includes Signals on M and R Streets, Olive and Yosemite Avenues, and G Street, North of Yosemite Avenue

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers a resolution approving a California Department of Transportation Program Supplement for the use of \$211,365 in CMAQ Grant funding for Preliminary Engineering for the Traffic Signal Synchronization Project. The project consists of the synchronization and upgrading of the traffic controllers of 34 signals These signals are on M street, R Street, Olive Avenue, Yosemite Avenue, and G Street, north of Yosemite Avenue.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Adopting **Resolution 2022-12**, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Merced, California, approving Federal-Aid Projects Program Supplement Agreement No. F036; and,
- B. Accepting CMAQ grant funds and increasing revenue in account 450-1104-321-32-00 by \$211,365 and appropriating the same to account 450-1104-637-65-00 (Project No. 122066) for preliminary engineering costs associated with design of the Traffic Signal Synchronization Project; and,
- C. Approving the use of pooled cash until reimbursement is received from the grant; and,
- D. Authorizing the City Manager or Deputy City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

F.7. [22-131](#)

SUBJECT: Approval of First Amendment to Agreement for Supplies and Services with Ward Bros. Office Furniture, Inc. to Extend the Term of the Agreement

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving a First Amendment to Agreement for Supplies and Service with Ward Bros. Office Furniture, Inc. extending the term of the

agreement.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

A. Approving First Amendment to Agreement for Supplies and Services with Ward Bros. Office Furniture extending the term to September 30,2022; and,

B. Authorizing the City Manager or Deputy City Manager to execute any necessary contracts or documents.

F.8. [22-132](#)

SUBJECT: Approval of Agreement with the Merced Main Street Association for \$46,370.00 for Services and the Administration of the Downtown Business Improvement Area for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving an agreement between the City of Merced and the Merced Main Street Association for \$46,370.00 to provide services to the Downtown Business Improvement Area during Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

A. Approving the agreement with the Merced Main Street Association for Downtown Services for 2021-2022 in the amount of \$46,370.00; and,

B. Authorizing the City Manager or Deputy City Mayor to execute the necessary documents.

G. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Members of the public who wish to speak on public hearings listed on the agenda will be heard when the Public Hearing is opened, except on Public Hearing items previously heard and closed to public comment. After the public has commented, the item is closed to further public comment and brought to the Council for discussion and action. Further comment will not be received unless requested by the Council. See MODIFIED PUBLIC COMMENT.

G.1. [22-159](#)

SUBJECT: Public Hearing (to be Heard at 6:30PM) to Receive a Report from Staff on the Redistricting Process and Permissible Criteria to be Considered to Review Maps Recommended by the Redistricting Advisory Committee and Submitted Draft Maps from the Public for Selection

REPORT IN BRIEF

Public Hearing to inform the City Council and the public on the redistricting process and permissible criteria to be considered to review maps recommended by the Redistricting Advisory Committee and submitted draft maps from the public for consideration.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion selecting a new City Council District Map.

H. BUSINESS

H.1. [22-179](#)

SUBJECT: Approval of the City Council FY 2022/23 Goals and Priorities to Include Downtown & Economic Development, Housing & Homelessness, Merced Unity Project, Parks & Recreation, Public Safety, Public Works & City Beautification, and Quality of Life

REPORT IN BRIEF

Adoption of the FY 2022/23 Goals and Priorities to include Downtown & Economic Development, Housing & Homelessness, Merced Unity Project, Parks & Recreation, Public Safety, Public Works & City Beautification, and Quality of Life.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion approving FY 2022/23 Goals and Priorities.

H.2. [22-181](#)

SUBJECT: Approval of the Updated 2022-23 Regional, State, and Federal Legislative Platform

REPORT IN BRIEF

Consider approving the updated 2022-23 Regional, State, and Federal Legislative Platform.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion adopting the updated 2022-23 Regional, State, and Federal Legislative Platform.

H.3. [22-141](#)

SUBJECT: Request to Add Item to Future Agenda

REPORT IN BRIEF

Provides members of the City Council to request that an item be placed on a future City Council agenda for initial consideration by the City Council.

H.4. [22-142](#) **SUBJECT: City Council Comments**

REPORT IN BRIEF

Provides an opportunity for the Mayor and/or Council Member(s) to make a brief announcement on any activity(ies) she/he has attended on behalf of the City and to make a brief announcement on future community events and/or activities. The Brown Act does not allow discussion or action by the legislative body under this section.

I. ADJOURNMENT