

ORDINANCE NO. 2510

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF MERCED, CALIFORNIA, ADDING
CHAPTER 2.56, "TAX TRANSPARENCY
COMMISSION," TO THE MERCED MUNICIPAL
CODE**

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED DOES ORDAIN
AS FOLLOWS:**

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT TO CODE. Chapter 2.56 "Tax
Transparency Commission," is hereby added to the Merced Municipal Code to
read as follows:

**"Chapter 2.56
TAX TRANSPARENCY COMMISSION**

Sections:

- 2.56.010 Authority**
- 2.56.020 Appointment and Meetings.**
- 2.56.030 Powers and Duties.**

2.56.010 Authority.

Pursuant to Section 700 of the Charter of the City there is
hereby established a Tax Transparency Commission
consisting of seven members.

2.56.020 Appointment and Meetings.

A. Member are to be appointed by the City Council
from the qualified electors of the City and no member of
said commission shall hold any paid office or
employment in the city government.

B. Six (6) members will be appointed from each of
the six (6) districts and one (1) member will be appointed
at large. Should a district appointment remain vacant for

more than ninety (90) days, the City Council has the authority and may elect to appoint an otherwise-qualified at large member to fill the vacancy.

C. The number of members to comprise the commission may be changed by ordinance of the City Council to not less than seven nor more than nine members.

D. The Tax Transparency Commission shall meet quarterly.

2.56.030 Powers and Duties.

The Tax Transparency Commission shall have authority to:

A. Review the projected revenue and expenditures for the funds generated by each general or special tax measure.

B. Make budget recommendations to the City Council in accordance with and to maintain compliance with each general or special tax measure.

C. Review annual audits of each general or special tax measure and report any findings to the City Council.”

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after its adoption.

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY. If any section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance, is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance, and each section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, subdivisions, sentences, clauses, phrases, or portions thereof be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 4. PUBLICATION. The City Clerk is directed to cause a summary of this Ordinance to be published in the official newspaper at least once within fifteen (15) days after its adoption showing the vote thereon.

The foregoing Ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Merced on the 21st day of January, 2019, and was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of said City Council held on the 3rd day of February, 2019, by the following called vote:

AYES: 7 **Council Members:** BLAKE, ECHEVARRIA, MARTINEZ,
MCLEOD, MURPHY, SERRATTO, SHELTON

NOES: 0 **Council Members:** NONE

ABSTAIN: 0 **Council Members:** NONE

ABSENT: 0 **Council Members:** NONE

APPROVED:



Mayor

ATTEST:
STEVE CARRIGAN, CITY CLERK

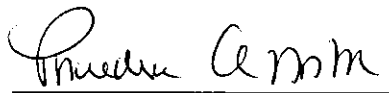
BY: 

Assistant/Deputy City Clerk

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:



City Attorney **Date** 10-14-19

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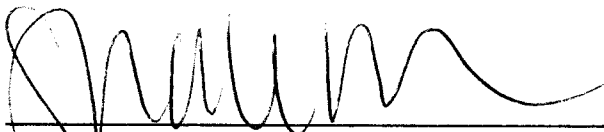
I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the county aforesaid; I am over the age of eighteen years, and not a party to or interested in the above-entitled matter. I am the printer foreman or principal clerk of The Merced County Times, a newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in the City of Merced, County of Merced, and which newspaper has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by the Superior Court of the County of Merced, State of California, under the date of December 14, 1999, Case Number 143600; that the notice, of which the annexed is a printed copy has been published in each regular and entire issue of said newspaper and not in any supplement thereof on the following dates, to-wit:

LEGAL#7105

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND
POTENTIAL INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE**

Publication Date: 01-16-2020

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.



Dated this : 17th of January
2020

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC
HEARING AND POTENTIAL
INTRODUCTION OF
ORDINANCE
CITY OF MERCED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that on January 21,
2019, the City Council of
the City of Merced is
scheduled to hold a Public
Hearing to consider the introduction of an Ordinance
entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF MERCED, CALIFORNIA,
ADDING CHAPTER 2.56, "TAX
TRANSPARENCY COMMISSION," TO THE
MERCED MUNICIPAL CODE**

at its regular meeting to be
held at 6:00 pm in the City
Council Chambers at 678
West 18th Street, Merced,
California. The public is invited to provide any oral or
written comments regarding this proposed Ordinance.

If adopted, this Ordinance
would establish a citywide
citizens' tax accountability
commission.

A copy of the full text of the
proposed Ordinance is
available for review in the
Office of the City Clerk,
City of Merced, 678 West
18th Street, Merced, California,
and on the City's
website at [www.city-](http://www.city-merced.org)

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**John Tresidder
ASSISTANT CITY CLERK
Publish Date: 01-16-2020**

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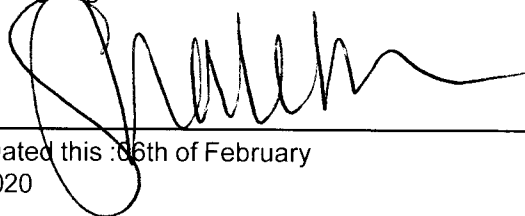
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LEGAL#7221

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF
ORDINANCE NO.2510**

Publication Date: 02-06-2020

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.



Dated this 06th of February
2020

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**PUBLIC NOTICE OF
ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE**

CITY OF MERCED

ORDINANCE NO. 2510

NOTICE IS HEREBY

Copy of no GIVEN that on February 3,
2020, the City Council of
the City of Merced adopted
Ordinance No. 2510, entitled:

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TER 2.56, "TAX
TRANSPARENCY COM-
MISSION," TO THE
MERCED MUNICIPAL
CODE**

Ordinance No. 2510 estab-
lishes a citywide citizens'
tax accountability commis-
sion.

Ordinance No. 2510 was
adopted by the following
roll call vote of the City
Council:

AYES: 7 Council
Members: BLAKE,
ECHEVARRIA, MAR-
TINEZ, MCLEOD, MUR-
PHY, SERRATTO,
SHELTON

NOES: 0

Council Members: NONE

ABSTAIN: 0 Council

Members: NONE

ABSENT: 0

Council Members: NONE

A copy of the full text of Or-
dinance No. 2510 is avail-
able for review in the Office
of the City Clerk, City of
Merced, 678 West 18th
Street, Merced, California,
and on the City's website
at www.cityofmerced.org.

Jennifer Levesque

DEPUTY CITY CLERK

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