



CITY OF MERCED

Meeting Agenda

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

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

Monday, April 21, 2025

6:00 PM

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

Closed Session at 5:00 PM / Regular Meeting at 6:00 PM

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A. CLOSED SESSION ROLL CALL

B. CLOSED SESSION

The legislative body shall provide the public with an opportunity to address the body on any item described in Closed Session [Government Code Section 54954.3(a)].

- B.1.** [25-323](#) **SUBJECT: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL- ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Significant Exposure to Litigation. One (1) Potential Case. Pursuant to California Government Code Section § 54956.9(d) (2)**

C. CALL TO ORDER

- C.1. Invocation - Harsher Ahmed, Imam Ahmadiyya Muslim Community
- C.2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

D. ROLL CALL

D.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, the Public Financing and Economic Development Authority, and the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency. City Council members receive a monthly stipend of \$500.00 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 2024-78. The members of the Parking Authority, the Public Financing and Economic Development Authority, and the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency receive no compensation.

E. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

F. CEREMONIAL MATTERS

- F.1.** [25-253](#) **SUBJECT: City Council Volunteer of the Year Awards**

REPORT IN BRIEF

Council Members nominated a volunteer within their district and the Mayor nominated one at-large volunteer to highlight those who have given back to their community.

F.2. [25-251](#)

SUBJECT: Proclamation - Arbor Day

REPORT IN BRIEF

Received by representatives of the City of Merced Public Works Department, Parks and Trees Division.

G. WRITTEN PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

H. PUBLIC COMMENT

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 3 minutes. The Mayor may propose a further limit to the time available for all speakers at the discretion of the City Council, 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.

I. 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.

I.1. [25-043](#)

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.

I.2. [25-290](#)

SUBJECT: Information Only - Traffic Committee Minutes of January 14, 2025

RECOMMENDATION

For information only.

I.3. [25-207](#)

SUBJECT: Approval of City Council/Public Financing and Economic Development/Parking Authority/Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency Meeting Minutes of December 9, 2024, December 16, 2024, January 6, 2025, January 21, 2025, January 28, 2025, and January 30, 2025

REPORT IN BRIEF

Official adoption of previously held meeting minutes.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council/Public Financing and Economic Development/Parking Authority/Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency - Adopt a motion approving the meeting minutes of December 9, 2024, December 16, 2024, January 6, 2025, January 21, 2025, January 28, 2025, and January 30, 2025.

I.4. [25-281](#)

SUBJECT: Approval to Waive the Competitive Bidding Requirements and Approval of a One (1) Year Renewal Amendment with SMARSH Inc for Text Message and Social Media Archiving Services for an Additional \$35,905 for a Total Not-to-Exceed Amount of 220,794

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving to waive the competitive bidding requirements and approval of one year renewal amendment with SMARSH Inc for Text Message and Social Media Archiving Services for an additional \$35,905 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$220,794.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

A. Waiving the City's competitive bid requirements as stated in Section 3.04.210; and,

B. Approving the renewal agreement with SMARSH Inc. in the amount of \$35,905 for a total not-to-exceed of \$220,794; and,

C. Authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute the necessary documents.

I.5. [25-261](#)

SUBJECT: Authorization to Accept the Donation of “Two” 24 by 40-Foot Modular Buildings from Merced City School District for the Merced Regional Fire Training Center

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers authorizing to accept a donation of “two” 24 by 40-foot modular buildings with a value of \$70,000 from Merced City School District, as the main office and conference room/storage for the fire department at the Merced Regional Fire Training Center.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Accepting a donation in the form of “two” 24 by 40-foot modular buildings with a value of \$70,000 from Merced City School District; and,
- B. Authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

I.6. [25-278](#)

SUBJECT: Approval of Street Closure Request with the Use of City Owned Property Located at Bob Hart Square, Submitted by Merced City Parks and Recreation Department for the 2025 2nd Annual Halloween Parade on Saturday October 11, 2025, From 2:00 P.M. until 9:00 P.M.

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving to allow the use of City streets on Saturday October 11, 2025, for the Halloween Parade.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion approving the street closures of East Main Street, from Calimyrna Avenue to “G” Street, West Main Street, from “G” to “O” Streets, “O” Street from West Main Street to 20th Street including side streets, the city owned property known as Bob Hart Sq, as requested by Merced City Parks and Recreation Department for the 2025 2nd Annual Halloween Parade on Saturday, October 11, 2025.

I.7. [25-277](#)

SUBJECT: Approval of the Use of City Owned Property Known as Parking Lot 6 From May 16, 2025 at 3:00 PM to May 17, 2025 at 11:00 P.M. Street Closures of West Main Street, From “H” Street to Martin Luther King Jr Way, on May 17, 2025 From 7:00 A.M. to May 17, 2025 at 11:00 P.M. A Rolling Road Closure for the Parade on May 17, 2025 From 12:00 P.M. to 2:00 PM on Martin Luther King Jr Way

Between West Main Street and West 18th Street, West 18th Street
Between Martin Luther King Jr Way and “H” Street, and “H” Street
Between West 18th Street and West Main Street Submitted by Chris
Bounlangsy with the Vatthanatham Lao Foundation for the 2025 Lao
New Year Celebration, May 16, 2025, at 3:00 P.M. Through May 17,
2025, 11:00 P.M.

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving to allow the use of City streets and City owned property on May 16th and May 17th, 2025, for the Lao New Year Celebration. The Street Closure Request includes West Main St, from “H” St to Martin Luther King Jr Way, a rolling street closure on May 17, 2025, to include Martin Luther King Jr Way, W 18th St and “H” St, and the use of City owned property known as Parking Lot 6.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion approving the use of City owned property know as Parking Lot 6 from May 16th, 2025 at 3:00 PM to May 17, 2025 at 11:00 P.M. Street closures of West Main St, from “H” St to Martin Luther King Jr Way, on May 17, 2025 from 7:00 A.M. until 11:00 P.M., A rolling road closure for the parade on May 17, 2025 from 12:00 P.M. to 3:00 PM on Martin Luther King Jr Way between W Main St and W 18th St, W 18th St between Martin Luther King Jr Way and “H” St, and “H” St between W 18th St and W Main St. Submitted by Chris Bounlangsy with the Vatthanatham Lao Foundation for the 2025 Lao New Year Celebration, May 16, 2025, at 3:00 P.M. thru May 17, 2025, 11:00 P.M.

I.8. [25-262](#)

SUBJECT: Approval to Reject All Bids Received for Project No.
CP220066 CMAQ (059) Traffic Signal Synchronization

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving to reject all bids received for CP220066 CMAQ (059) Traffic Signal Synchronization to update traffic signal equipment at 32 intersections and upgrade to traffic cameras at 11 intersections throughout the City due to insufficient project funding.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion rejecting all bids received for Project No. CP220066 CMAQ (059) Traffic Signal Synchronization due to insufficient funding and direct staff to re-evaluate the project design and re-bid the project.

I.9. [25-289](#)

SUBJECT: Approving the Cooperative Agreement with State of California, Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for the Highway 59 Widening Phase 1 and Highway 59 Black Rascal Bridge Project (CP200064/CP200065) for Plans, Specifications, and Estimate (PS&E) and Right-of-Way Acquisition

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving to authorize a Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans to allow the City to progress and finalize the design plans, specifications, and estimate (PS&E) and acquire the necessary right-of-way for the Highway 59 Widening Phase 1 and Highway 59 Black Rascal Bridge Projects, CP200064 and CP200065.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

A. Approving the Cooperative Agreement for the Highway 59 Widening Phase 1 and Highway 59 Black Rascal Bridge Project; and,

B. Authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

I.10. [25-288](#)

SUBJECT: Approval to Purchase One (1) New Terex Hi-Ranger LT40 Articulating/Telescoping Aerial Truck, and Necessary Attachment Equipment, from Terex Utilities, Inc., in the Amount of \$209,783.10 as an Acquisition for the Trees and Water Divisions

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving the purchase of one (1) New Terex Hi-Ranger LT40 Articulating/Telescoping Aerial Truck, in the amount of \$209,783.10 utilizing the cost savings government procurement program (Sourcewell). This purchase was included in the FY 24/25 adopted budget as a vehicle addition for the Trees and Water divisions.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

A. Waiving the City's competitive bidding requirement as permitted by Merced Municipal Code section 3.04.210 and authorizing the purchase to be made with a cooperative purchase agreement through Sourcewell, a government procurement program; and,

- B. Approving the purchase of one New Terex Hi-Ranger LT40 Articulating/Telescoping Aerial Truck, in the amount of \$209,783.10, from Terex Utilities, Inc., through Sourcewell Terex Contract # 110421-TER; and,
- C. Authorizing the City Manager to execute any necessary documents for the purchase specified above; and,
- D. Authorizing the issuance of the Purchase Order and approval of change orders not to exceed 10% of the total purchase price.

I.11. [25-287](#)

SUBJECT: Approval to Purchase One (1) New Front Loader Refuse Truck, and Necessary Attachment Equipment, From Interstate Truck Center - Valley Peterbilt, in the Amount of \$378,777.48 for the Refuse Department

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving the purchase of one 2026 Peterbilt 520 truck with NewWay Mammoth Front End Loader body in the amount of \$378,777.48 utilizing the cost savings government procurement program (Sourcewell). The purchase of the additional vehicle was identified in the prior rate study for growth of the refuse collection operation.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Waiving the City's competitive bidding requirement as permitted by Merced Municipal Code section 3.04.210 and authorizing the purchase to be made with a cooperative purchase agreement through Sourcewell, a government procurement program; and,
- B. Approving the purchase of one 2026 Peterbilt 520 truck with NewWay Mammoth Front End Loader body in the amount of \$378,777.48 from Interstate Truck Center - Valley Peterbilt, through Sourcewell contract # 032824-PMC; and,
- C. Authorizing the City Manager to execute any necessary documents for the purchase specified above; and,
- D. Authorizing the issuance of the Purchase Order, and approval of change orders not to exceed 10% of the total purchase price.

I.12. [25-260](#)

SUBJECT: Approval of a First Amendment to Professional Services

Agreement with Hildebrand Consulting, LLC, for a Sewer and Water
Rate Study in a not to Exceed Additional Amount of \$10,000 for a Total
Contract not to Exceed \$93,250

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving a First Amendment to Professional Services Agreement with Hildebrand Consulting, LLC, to conduct a Sewer and Water Rate Study.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Approving a First Amendment Professional Services Agreement with Hildebrand Consulting, LLC, in the additional amount not to exceed \$10,000, to prepare a comprehensive sewer and water rate study; and,
- B. Authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

I.13. [25-259](#)

SUBJECT: Approval of an Eighth Amendment to the Professional
Services Agreement with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., for the
Wastewater Collection System Master Plan (WCSMP) Update
Environmental Impact Report (EIR) Project CP130059 for a not to
Exceed Additional Amount of \$50,348 for a Total Contract not to
Exceed Amount of \$1,073,198

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving an Eighth Amendment to a Professional Services Agreement with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., to include cultural resources tasks as part of the preparation of a draft and final Recirculated Environmental Impact Report (REIR).

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Approving an eighth amendment to professional services agreement with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., in the additional amount of \$50,348 for the City of Merced Wastewater Collection System Master Plan Update Environmental Impact Report (EIR); and,
- B. Authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

J. ACTION ITEMS

J.1. [25-301](#)

SUBJECT: Second Reading and Final Adoption of an Ordinance Amending the Official City Zoning Map By Approving Zone Change #436, Site Utilization Plan Revision #19 to Planned Development #4, Site Utilization Plan Revision #14 to Planned Development #42 and Site Utilization Plan Revision #18 to Planned Development #46 to Rezone Twenty-Seven (27) Sites Within the City Totaling Approximately 95 Acres of Land and Deny the Rezone of Three (3) Sites Totaling About 6 Acres of Land

REPORT IN BRIEF

Second Reading and Final Adoption of an Ordinance, Amending the Official City Zoning Map By Approving Zone Change #436, Site Utilization Plan Revision #19 to Planned Development #4, Site Utilization Plan Revision #14 to Planned Development #42 and Site Utilization Plan Revision #18 to Planned Development #46 to Rezone Twenty Seven (27) Sites within the City Totaling Approximately 95 Acres of Land and Deny the Rezone of three (3) Sites Totaling about 6 acres of land.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion adopting **Ordinance 2577**, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Merced, California, Amending the Official City Zoning Map By Approving Zone Change #436, Site Utilization Plan Revision #19 to Planned Development #4, Site Utilization Plan Revision #14 to Planned Development #42 and Site Utilization Plan Revision #18 to Planned Development #46 to Rezone Twenty Seven (27) Sites within the City Totaling Approximately 95 Acres of Land and Deny the Rezone of three (3) Sites Totaling about 6 acres of land.

J.2. [25-197](#)

SUBJECT: Authorization to Use the County of Riverside Agreement #8084445 and #7754679 for Microsoft Licensing of Software, Subscriptions, and Services with Vendor Software House International and Microsoft for a Period of May 1, 2025, to April 30,2028 in a not to Exceed Amount of \$686,614 and Approving Contract Documents

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers authorizing to utilize the County of Riverside Agreement #8084445 and #7754679 for Microsoft Licensing of software, subscriptions, and services with vendor Software House International and Microsoft for a Period of May 1, 2025, to April 30,2028 in a not to exceed amount of \$686,614 and approving contract documents.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Waiving the City's competitive bid requirements as stated in Section 3.04.210 for piggybacking; and,
- B. Authorizing the City Manager to execute Change of Channel Partner and Change of Reseller agreements; and,
- C. Approving the Agreements with SHI and Microsoft for software Licenses, Subscriptions, and Services; and,
- D. Authorizing the City Manager to execute future contract amendments that do not exceed 135% of the \$267,270 value of the agreement for subscription-based cloud services totaling \$360,814 for the three-year duration of the agreement; and,
- E. Authorizing the City Manager to execute future contract amendments that do not exceed 135% of the \$108,000 value of the agreement for usage-based technology services totaling \$145,800 for the three-year duration of the agreement; and,
- F. Authorizing the City Manager to execute future contract amendments to the Microsoft Unified Support Agreement that do not exceed \$180,000; and,
- G. Authorizing the Finance Officer to transfer \$52,529 from Fund 7008-Support Services to Fund 7009-Computer Replacement and appropriating the same in the current fiscal year; and,
- H. Authorizing the Finance Officer to make necessary budget adjustments for future contract amendments; and,
- I. Authorizing the Finance Officer to make any necessary transfers and appropriation for funds to be used explicitly for expenditures of new software licenses, subscriptions, or services during the contract term.

J.3. [25-268](#)

**SUBJECT: Report for Discussion on Preliminary Annexation
Application #25-01 for the Ardison Annexation**

REPORT IN BRIEF

The City Council will be asked to evaluate Preliminary Annexation Application #25-01 for the Ardison Annexation project. The proposed annexation consists of approximately 41.03 acres and will be developed with 206 lots for single-family homes. The subject site is generally located

on the west side of Eddington Avenue (future), and 1,700 feet north of W. Bellevue Road (Assessor's Parcel Number 170-060-010).

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion indicating general support for an official annexation application to be processed for the Ardison Annexation project.

J.4. [25-284](#)

SUBJECT: Approval of a Supplemental Appropriation in the Amount of \$8,731 From the Unreserved, Unencumbered Balance of Fund 8503-Asset Forfeiture, Transferring to the General Fund and Appropriating the Same to the Police Department for the Purchase of an Indoor Bullet Trap From Savage Range Systems Inc.

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving a supplemental appropriation of funds from the unreserved, unencumbered fund balance in Fund 8503-Asset Forfeiture in the amount of \$8,731, transferring to the General Fund and appropriating the same to the Merced Police Department to purchase an indoor bullet trap from Savage Range Systems Inc.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

A. Approving a supplemental appropriation from the unreserved, unencumbered fund balance in Fund 8503-Asset Forfeiture in the amount of \$8,731, transferring to the General Fund and appropriating the same to the Police Department for the purchase of an indoor ballistic shoot trap; and,

B. Authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

J.5. [25-325](#)

SUBJECT: Approval to Provide Mutual Aid for Urgent Health and Safety Concerns at Crist Avenue and DeLong Street in the City of Merced

REPORT IN BRIEF

The County of Merced is requesting that the City provide support, (i.e. police, fire, public works personnel and public works equipment), to its cleanup activities scheduled for April 21, 2025 and April 22, 2025 south of Hwy 99, north of E Chids Avenue. Camping activities on an adjoining private parcel is occurring and several trash accumulations, debris piles, and public health hazards have been identified, necessitating coordinated cleanup efforts for the safety of the public and responding personnel.

Staff is also seeking authority for a temporary closure of a portion of Crist Avenue and DeLong Street in the City of Merced not-to-exceed One Hundred Twenty (120) days to prevent further access to this camping site during the summer months (high risk of fire) for public safety concerns.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

A. Approving the City to provide Mutual Aid Support to the County of Merced to address Urgent Health and Safety Concerns near Crist Avenue and DeLong Street; and,

B. Authorizing the temporary closure of a portion of Crist Avenue and DeLong Street in the City of Merced for a term not-to-exceed One Hundred Twenty (120) days.

K. REPORTS

K.1. [25-279](#)

SUBJECT: Report on Introduction of Program Year 2025 Project Funding Scoring Results and Recommendations for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) 2025 Annual Action Plan; and Update Regarding the Expected 2025 HUD Allocation Announcement

REPORT IN BRIEF

Introduces the list of funding request applications received for the coming 2025 program year, explanation of project scoring procedures implemented to align with HUD's subrecipient management guidelines, and results of 2025 program year scoring; and provides a brief update regarding the expected timeline for the 2025 CDBG and HOME annual allocation announcement.

RECOMMENDATION

Provide comment, if any, on staff recommendations regarding the anticipated projects and proposed distribution of public service program funding for the 2025 Program Year.

K.2. [25-311](#)

SUBJECT: Update on Road Projects

REPORT IN BRIEF

Updates on the City's road projects.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Information Only.

L. BUSINESS

- L.1. [25-240](#) **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.

- L.2. [25-241](#) **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.

M. ADJOURNMENT