



CITY OF MERCED

MERCED

DATE: 2/18/2025

TO: Whom it May Concern

FROM: Scott McBride, City Manager

RE: Emergency Demolition of Sun-Star Building

I hereby determine that there is an urgent necessity for the preservation of life, health, and property to let a contract without bidding for the Sun-Star Building Demo, project CP250067. The Sun-Star Building was severely damaged in a fire which has left the building structurally unsafe and dangerous to enter. There is also a concern that asbestos contamination in the fire debris poses a serious health concern. Attempts have been made to secure the building from unauthorized access, however this has proven to be impossible. Merced Police Department has reported that the building continues to attract the homeless and the building is being broken into on an almost daily basis. The distraction of having to respond to the Sun-Star building is tying up police resources and endangering the general public through-out the City.

I hereby authorize said contract to be awarded in a timely manner pursuant to the authority of Merced Municipal Code Section 3.04.300.

Scott McBride
City Manager