

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-_____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF MERCED, CALIFORNIA, TO
APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDING AND ACCEPT
GRANT FUNDING IF AWARDED, FROM THE
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC
BEVERAGE CONTROL ALCOHOL POLICING
PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the staff is requesting approval to apply for the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Alcohol Policing Partnership Program grant; and,

WHEREAS, the grant's mission is to help agencies expand their present efforts in addressing alcohol-related problems through a comprehensive ABC program that will encompass a wide range of strategies; and,

WHEREAS, the grant provides funding to conduct enforcement operations on overtime status; and,

WHEREAS, the Merced Police Department will conduct operations such as Minor Decoys, Shoulder Taps, Party Patrols, Licensee Education, and Licensee Inspections; and,

WHEREAS, the Merced Police Department will issue press release following inspections and operations informing the community on the results; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Merced ("City") has applied for and received grant funding from ABC each of the past several years including a current grant that ends on June 30, 2026; and,

WHEREAS, the City must submit the application by March 30, 2026; and,

WHEREAS, the grant provides maximum funding in the amount of \$100,000; and,

WHEREAS, the staff is requesting permission to accept the grant award without returning to City Council when offered the funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DETERMINE, FIND, AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the City Manager or designee of the City of Merced is authorized to submit a grant application to the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

SECTION 2. That the City Manager may accept the grant award without returning to City Council for acceptance when offered the grant award.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Merced at a regular meeting held on the 16th day of March 2026 by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members:

NOES: Council Members:

ABSENT: Council Members:

ABSTAIN: Council Members:

APPROVED:
MATTHEW SERRATTO, MAYOR

Mayor

ATTEST:
D. SCOTT MCBRIDE, CITY CLERK

BY: _____
Assistant/Deputy City Clerk

(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
CRAIG J. CORNWELL, CITY ATTORNEY

Craig Cornwell 3/9/2026
City Attorney Date