



# CITY OF MERCED

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

## Minutes

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

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Monday, September 30, 2019

6:00 PM

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#### A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor MURPHY called the Special Meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

##### A.1. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Mayor MURPHY led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### B. STUDY SESSION ROLL CALL

**Present:** 6 - Mayor Pro Tempore Anthony Martinez, Mayor Mike Murphy, Council Member Jill McLeod, Council Member Matthew Serratto, Council Member Delray Shelton, and Council Member Fernando Echevarria

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Kevin Blake

#### C. STUDY SESSION

##### C.1.

**SUBJECT:** Study Session to Allow for Council Direction on the Proposed Police Headquarters and Fire Facility Including, but not Limited to, Sizing and Configuration, Financing Structure, and Funding Requirements

##### REPORT IN BRIEF

Study Session to allow Council direction on the Proposed Police Headquarters and Fire facility including, but not limited to, sizing and configuration, financing structure and funding requirements.

##### RECOMMENDATION

Provide staff direction on next steps for the proposed Police and Fire facility sizing and configuration, financing structure, and funding requirements.

City Manager Steve CARRIGAN, Assistant City Manager Stephanie DIETZ, and MWL Architects Consultant Jim MCCLAREN gave a slide show presentation on the Police Department Space Needs Assessment.

Council and Mr. MCCLAREN discussed structure flexibility, sub-stations,

and a decentralized station.

President of Merced College Chris VITELLI - spoke on Merced College's Educational Plan and the Facilities Action Plan. He also spoke on partnering with the City to maximize resources regarding a police and fire training facility.

Michael BELLUOMINI, Merced - spoke on the size of the proposed police station and future population growth.

Griffin Structures Consultant Korin CRAWFORD gave a presentation on Public Private Partnership (P3) financing.

Council, Mr. CRAWFORD, and LPA Design Studio Consultant Jeremy HART discussed benefits of a P3, the City's role in a P3 structure, lease-lease back transaction, and policy on local developers and materials.

Michael BELLUOMINI, Merced - spoke on the lease-lease back transaction.

Council and Police Chief Chris GOODWIN discussed the needs of a Police Station, parking, Officer safety, and issues with the current central station.

Council, Assistant City Manager Stephanie DIETZ, and Mr. MCCLAREN continued discussing the size of the police station, the needs of the new police station, a centralized or decentralized station, and sub-stations.

Casey STEED, Merced - spoke in support for a centralized station and sub-stations. He also spoke on working with Merced College.

Michael BELLUOMINI, Merced - encouraged Council to place the police station on the ballot for the 2020 election. He also spoke on his preference for the size of the proposed police station.

Council continued discussing the police station needs.

Council agreed to a centralized station, with sub-stations in other areas of the City, and requested a cost estimate for the 66,000 sqft building and the 75,000 sqft building.

Fire Chief Billy Alcorn spoke on the needs for the proposed fire stations.

Council, Fire Chief ALCORN, and Ms. DIETZ discussed various ways to fund the proposed fire stations.

#### **D. ADJOURNMENT**

**Clerk's Note:** Council adjourned the Special Meeting at 8:51 PM.

**A motion was made by Council Member McLeod, seconded by Council Member Echevarria, to adjourn the Special Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Mayor Pro Tempore Martinez, Mayor Murphy, Council Member McLeod, Council Member Serratto, Council Member Shelton, and Council Member Echevarria

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Blake