



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/Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency

Monday, May 6, 2024

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. [24-427](#) **SUBJECT: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION One (1) Potential Case Pursuant to California Government Code § 54956.9**

B.2. [24-435](#) **SUBJECT: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION -**

Title: City Manager; Authority: Government Code Section 54957

- B.3.** [24-409](#) **SUBJECT:** CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS -- Agency Designated Representatives: City Manager Scott McBride, Deputy City Manager Frank Quintero, Finance Officer Venus Rodriguez, Human Resources Manager Suzanne Fierro, LCW Legal Representative Che Johnson, and LCW Legal Representative Michael Jarvis; Employee Organizations: Merced Police Officers' Association (MPOA) and Merced Association of Police Sergeants (MAPS). AUTHORITY: Government Code Section 54957.6
- B.4.** [24-410](#) **SUBJECT:** CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS -- Agency Designated Representative(s): City Manager Scott McBride, Deputy City Manager Frank Quintero, Finance Officer Venus Rodriguez, Human Resources Manager Suzanne Fierro, LCW Legal Representative Che Johnson, and LCW Legal Representative Michael Jarvis; Employee Organizations: American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Council 57 and Merced Association of City Employees (MACE). AUTHORITY: Government Code Section 54957.6
- B.5.** [24-411](#) **SUBJECT:** CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS -- Agency Designated Representatives: City Manager Scott McBride, Deputy City Manager Frank Quintero, Finance Officer Venus Rodriguez, Human Resources Manager Suzanne Fierro, LCW Legal Representative Che Johnson, and LCW Legal Representative Michael Jarvis; Unrepresented Management AUTHORITY: Government Code Section 54957.6
- B.6.** [24-412](#) **SUBJECT:** CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS -- Agency Designated Representatives: City Manager Scott McBride, Deputy City Manager Frank Quintero, Finance Officer Venus Rodriguez, Human Resources Manager Suzanne Fierro, LCW Legal Representative Che Johnson, and LCW Legal Representative Michael Jarvis; Employee Organizations: International Association of Fire Fighters, Local 1479. AUTHORITY: Government Code Section 54957.6

C. CALL TO ORDER

- C.1. Invocation - Pastor Ella Luna Garza, United Methodist Church, Merced
- 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 \$400.00 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 2020-86. 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. [24-380](#) **SUBJECT:** Continued City Council Volunteer of the Year Awards

REPORT IN BRIEF

Council Members nominated a volunteer within their district to highlight those who have given back to their community. This is a continuation for the District 1 volunteer.

F.2. [24-436](#) **SUBJECT:** Proclamation - Merced Hmong American Day

REPORT IN BRIEF

Received by members of the Hlub Hmong Center.

F.3. [24-357](#) **SUBJECT:** Proclamation - Bike Month

REPORT IN BRIEF

Received by the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission.

F.4. [24-358](#) **SUBJECT:** Proclamation - Mental Health Awareness Month

REPORT IN BRIEF

Received by a representative of the Behavioral Health and Recovery Services of Merced County.

F.5. [24-375](#) **SUBJECT:** Proclamation - Trap-Neuter-Release (TNR) Program

REPORT IN BRIEF

Received by representatives of the Merced TNR.

G. WRITTEN PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

H. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

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 5 minutes. The Mayor may, at his discretion, reduce the time to 3 minutes if there are more than 3 speakers, 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. [24-328](#) **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. [24-378](#) **SUBJECT:** Information Only Contracts for the Month of April 2024

REPORT IN BRIEF

Notification of awarded Non-Public Works contracts under \$37,000 and of Public Works contracts under \$84,338.

- I.3. [24-342](#) **SUBJECT:** Information Only - Recreation & Parks Commission Minutes of February 26, 2024 and March 25, 2024

RECOMMENDATION

For information only.

- I.4. [24-377](#) **SUBJECT:** Approval of City Council/Public Financing and Economic Development/Parking Authority/Successor Agency to the

Redevelopment Agency Meeting Minutes of January 23, 2024,
January 29, 2024, February 5, 2024, February 15, 2023, February
20, 2024, February 24, 2024, March 4, 2024, and March 18, 2024

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 January 23, 2024, January 29, 2024, February 5, 2024,
February 15, 2023, February 20, 2024, February 24, 2024, March 4, 2024,
and March 18, 2024.

I.5. [24-185](#)

SUBJECT: Adoption of a Resolution Designating the City Manager or
Deputy City Manager as the Authorized Agent for the State of
California Governor's Office of Emergency Services

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers adopting a Resolution designating the City Manager or Deputy
City Manager as the authorized agent for and on behalf of the City of
Merced for Financial Assistance from the Federal Emergency
management Agency (FEMA) and the California Governor's Office of
Emergency Services (CalOES) for recovering costs associated with
declared emergencies.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion adopting **Resolution 2024-45**, a
Resolution of the City of Council of the City of Merced, California,
designation of authorized agent to file applications and execute documents
required to obtain disaster relief assistance.

I.6. [24-417](#)

SUBJECT: Approval to Waive the Competitive Bidding Requirement,
and Authorizing the Agreement with the Merced Main Street
Association for \$40,000 for Services and the Administration of the
Downtown Business Improvement Area for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving to waive the competitive bidding requirements

pursuant to Merced Municipal Code Section 3.04.210 and approving an Agreement between the City of Merced and the Merced Main Street Association for \$40,000 to provide services to the Downtown Business Improvement Area during Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Waiving the City's competitive bidding requirement as permitted by Merced Municipal Code section 3.04.210 based on the Merced Main Street Association's proven experience of providing the Administration of Downtown Services since 2015 and providing continuity during the formation of the PBID; and,
- B. Approving the agreement with the Merced Main Street Association for Downtown Services for 2023-2024 in the amount of \$40,000; and,
- C. Authorizing the Finance Officer to make the necessary budget adjustments; and,
- D. Authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

I.7. [24-331](#)

SUBJECT: Approval of Agreement for Landscape Maintenance Services with Green Horizon, Inc., for Turf Maintenance of all City-Owned Parks, in an Annual Amount of \$314,160 for a Two (2) Year Term Beginning July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2026, with an Option to Extend the Agreement for Three (3) Additional One (1) Year Term(s)

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving an Agreement for Services with Green Horizon, Inc., for maintenance services in an annual amount of \$314,160 at City Parks.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Approving an Agreement for Services with Green Horizon, Inc., in the annual amount of \$314,160, to provide landscape maintenance services at City-owned parks for two years, with an option to renew for a maximum of (3) three additional one-year periods, effective July 1, 2024; and,

B. Authorizing the City Manager or designee to sign the necessary documents; and,

C. Authorizing the Finance Officer to make the necessary budget adjustments.

I.8. [24-391](#)

SUBJECT: Award Bid to Square Signs LLC, DBA Front Signs for the Gateway Monuments, Project No. CP230058, in the Amount of \$515,618 as Part of the Department of Transportation (CALTRANS) Clean California State Beautification Program

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers awarding a Construction Contract to the Lowest Responsive Bidder, Square Signs LLC, DBA Front Signs, in the amount of \$515,618 for the Project CP230058 - Gateway Monuments, that will be located at Highways 59, 99, and 140 as part as CALTRANS Clean California State Beautification Program.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

A. Awarding the Gateway Monuments, Project No. CP230058, to the Lowest Responsive Bidder, Square Signs LLC, DBA Front Signs in the amount of \$515,618; and,

B. Authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents and to approve change orders not to exceed 20% of the total contract; and,

C. Authorizing the Finance Officer to make necessary budget adjustments.

I.9. [24-455](#)

SUBJECT: Award the Managed Cybersecurity Operations Center Bid to SecureSky Inc for a Period of One Year, with the Approval to Extend Four Additional One-Year Periods, for the Cumulative Total Amount of \$431,438 for the Five-Year Period

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers awarding the Managed Cybersecurity Operations Center bid to Secure Sky Inc for a Period of One Year, with the approval to extend four additional one-year periods, for the cumulative total amount of \$431,438 for the five-year period.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Awarding managed cybersecurity operations center service bid to SecureSky Inc; and,
- B. Authorizing the Not to Exceed spending authority to SecureSky Inc for \$431,438; and,
- C. Authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary Documents to include, documents for the four additional one-year extensions; and,
- D. Authorizing the Finance Officer to make necessary budget adjustments.

I.10. [24-423](#)

SUBJECT: Approval to Waive the Competitive Bidding Requirement for Professional Services and Award Granicus a Contract for Website Redesign and Content Review Services in an Amount not to Exceed \$222,061

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving to waive the City's competitive bidding requirements of Professional Services pursuant to Merced Municipal Code Section 3.04.210 and approving the Professional Services Agreement with Granicus for website redesign and content review services in the amount not to exceed \$222,061.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Waiving the City's competitive bidding requirement as permitted by Merced Municipal Code Section 3.04.210 for Professional Services; and,
- B. Approving a Professional Services Agreement with Granicus for website redesign in the amount not to exceed \$222,061; and,
- C. Authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents or contracts; and,
- D. Authorizing the Finance Officer to make the necessary budget adjustments.

- I.11. [24-360](#) **SUBJECT:** Approval of Street Closure Request #24-08 by Vinhos, Wine Lounge and Tapas and Merced Running Club to Host the First Vinhos Wine Fun / Run Walk 5K for Saturday, June 15, 2024, from 5:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Within the Downtown Perimeter of W. Main Street Between Canal and H Streets, H Street Between Main and 23rd Streets, W. 23rd Street Between H and Q Streets, Q Street Between 23rd and 18th Streets, and 18th Street from Q to Canal Streets

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving a request by the Vinhos, Wine Lounge and Tapas and Merced Running Club for the closure and use of City Streets on Saturday, June 15, 2024, for the First Vinhos Wine Fun/Run Walk 5K event. The request seeks approval to close several streets in the Downtown area from 5:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion approving the street closures of W. Main Street (between H and Canal Streets), Canal Street (between W. Main Street and W. 18th Street), W. 18th Street (between Canal and Q Streets), Q Street (between W. 18th and W. 19th Streets), W. 19th Street (between Q and P Streets), P Street (between W. 19th and W. 20th Streets), W. 20th Street (between Q and P Streets), Q Street (between W. 20th and W. 21st Streets), W. 21st Street (between P and Q Streets), P Street (between W. 21st and W. 22nd Streets), W. 22nd Street (between P and Q Streets), Q Street (between W. 22nd and W. 23rd Streets), W. 23rd Street (between H and Q Streets), and H Street (between W. 23rd and W. Main Streets); as detailed in the staff report. The event will be held on Saturday, June 15, 2024, from 5:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. (event time from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.), for the Vinhos Wine Fun/Run walk 5K, subject to the details and conditions outlined in the administrative staff report.

- I.12. [24-361](#) **SUBJECT:** Adoption of a Resolution Approving Final Map #5414 for Renaissance 154, Phase 4 Subdivision for 29 Single-Family Lots, Generally Located North of Merced Avenue, Approximately 2,000 Feet East of Coffee Street, and the Approval of the Subdivision Agreement for the Renaissance 154, Phase 4 Subdivision

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers adopting the Final Map #5414 for 29 single-family lots, located north of Merced Avenue, approximately 2,000 feet east of Coffee Street, and the subdivision agreement for the Renaissance 154, Phase 4

Subdivision.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Adopting **Resolution 2024-49**, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Merced, California, approving the Final Subdivision Map for the Renaissance 154, Phase 4 Subdivision (#5414); and,
- B. Approving the Subdivision Agreement for the Renaissance 154, Phase 4 Subdivision; and,
- C. Authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents.

I.13. [24-362](#)

SUBJECT: Adoption of a Resolution Approving Final Map #5415 for Renaissance 154, Phase 5, Subdivision for 33 Single-Family Lots, Generally Located North of Merced Avenue, Approximately 2,000 Feet East of Coffee Street, and the Approval of the Subdivision Agreement for the Renaissance 154, Phase 5 Subdivision

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers adopting the Final Map #5415 for 33 single-family lots, located north of Merced Avenue, approximately 2,000 feet east of Coffee Street, and the Subdivision Agreement for the Renaissance 154, Phase 5 Subdivision.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Adopting **Resolution 2024-50**, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Merced, California, approving the Final Subdivision Map for the Renaissance 154, Phase 5 Subdivision (#5415); and,
- B. Approving the Subdivision Agreement for the Renaissance 154, Phase 5 Subdivision; and,
- C. Authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents.

J. REPORTS

J.1. [24-430](#)

SUBJECT: Direction Regarding Potential Fire Services and

Emergency Operations Coordination Between the City of Merced and Merced County Including Mutual Aid, Automatic Aid Agreement, and Service Agreement Options

REPORT IN BRIEF

Provide Direction to City Staff regarding potential aid agreements or service agreement between the City of Merced and Merced County.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Provide city staff with direction regarding aid agreements or service agreement with Merced County for the unincorporated county area adjacent to the City of Merced including County islands within the city limits.

J.2. [24-385](#)

SUBJECT: Approval of Termination Documents to Cancel and Disencumber Existing U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Funding Commitment Agreements that were Previously Approved for the Gateway Terrace II Affordable Housing Project that Will no Longer Utilize HUD Funding

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving the Termination Documents that have been prepared to terminate the existing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME), and Community Housing Development Organization HOME (CHDO HOME) funding agreements relating to the future Gateway Terrace II affordable housing project; and, provides further information and required steps regarding 'Part Two' of the final corrective actions HUD repayment process relating to the October 2021 HUD Environmental Monitoring report that was discussed at the April 2, 2024, City Council Meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Approving the Termination Documents that have been prepared to terminate the existing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME), and Community Housing Development Organization HOME (CHDO HOME) funding agreements relating to the future Gateway Terrace II affordable housing project; and,
- B. Authorizing the City Manager to execute all related documents, subject

to review and approval by the City Attorney, which may be necessary to support the above actions; and,

C. Authorizing the Finance Officer to make any necessary budget adjustments related to these actions.

J.3. [24-320](#)

SUBJECT: Consideration and Approval of the Second Substantial Amendment to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) 2023 Annual Action Plan Involving Corrections to Available Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Resource Amounts, Resulting in Necessary Adjustments to CDBG Projects and Activities and Related Goals and Objectives

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving a Second Substantial Amendment to the HUD 2023 Annual Action Plan, which is necessary to correct calculation errors of CDBG Expected Resources that were discovered during the final approval stages of the First Substantial Amendment approved by the City Council in January 2024.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

A. Adopting **Resolution 2024-51**, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Merced, California, Approving Substantial Amendment #2 to the Program Year 2023-2024 Annual Action Plan; Authorizing the City Manager or Deputy City Manager to Execute Any Related Documents, Certifications, and/or Agreements Resulting from this Amendment; Certifying Compliance with the Requirements of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program; and, Authorizing Staff to Submit All Required Documents to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and,

B. Authorizing the Finance Officer to make any necessary budget adjustments.

J.4. [24-341](#)

SUBJECT: Report on the City Council Adopted American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Strategic Investment Plan, Including Seeking Direction on Other Reinvestment Options

REPORT IN BRIEF

Report on the City Council adopted American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Strategic Investment Plan, including seeking direction from the City Council on other Reinvestment options.

RECOMMENDATION

Provide staff direction on reinvestment options related to the implementation of the ARPA Strategic Investment Plan.

K. BUSINESS

K.1. [24-329](#) **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.

K.2. [24-330](#) **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.

L. ADJOURNMENT