

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT - ARPA

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 1, 2023**

APPROVED ALLOCATION

Category	Amount	Spent or Obligated	Balance	Project Status
Affordable Housing	\$6,500,000	\$6,500,000	\$0	Obligated to various projects by City Council
Water	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$2,500,000	Seeking direction
Broadband	\$2,650,000	\$1,150,000	\$1,500,000	Merced County study, actively evaluating grant opportunities
Applegate Zoo Renovation/Expansion	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$0	In design
Bob Hart Square Expansion	\$800,000	\$800,000	\$0	In design
Mainstreet Directional Enhancements	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$0	Design complete, pending environmental approval
Parklets/Beautification	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$0	Post One-Way, to be designed
Community Park #42	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$0	In Construction
Utility Bill Relief	\$1,000,000	\$189,889	\$810,111	Processed 166 applications
Job Training Program	\$1,025,000	\$1,025,000	\$0	Under contract with Merced County Workforce
Stimulus Payments	\$1,000,000	\$770,000	\$230,000	Processed 1,540 applications
Expanded Youth Programs	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$0	CalVIP required match
Non-Profit Support	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$0	Services under contract
COVID-19 City Expense	\$811,448	\$523,046	\$288,402	
Est. Total	\$25,986,448	\$20,657,935	\$5,328,513	
ARPA Allocation	\$27,427,882			
Remaining Funds	\$1,441,434			

WATER CONSERVATION

As outlined on July 6, 2021, the following programs are recommended:

- Turf Replacement
- Low-Flow/Efficiency Appliance Rebates
- Rain Barrels
- Pool Cover Rebates
- Irrigation Control Rebates

Areas for direction:

- Existing utility customer
- Limitation on rebate amounts – recommend no more than \$2,000/residential & \$10,000/commercial
- Require necessary receipts and documents to prove installation – reimbursement method

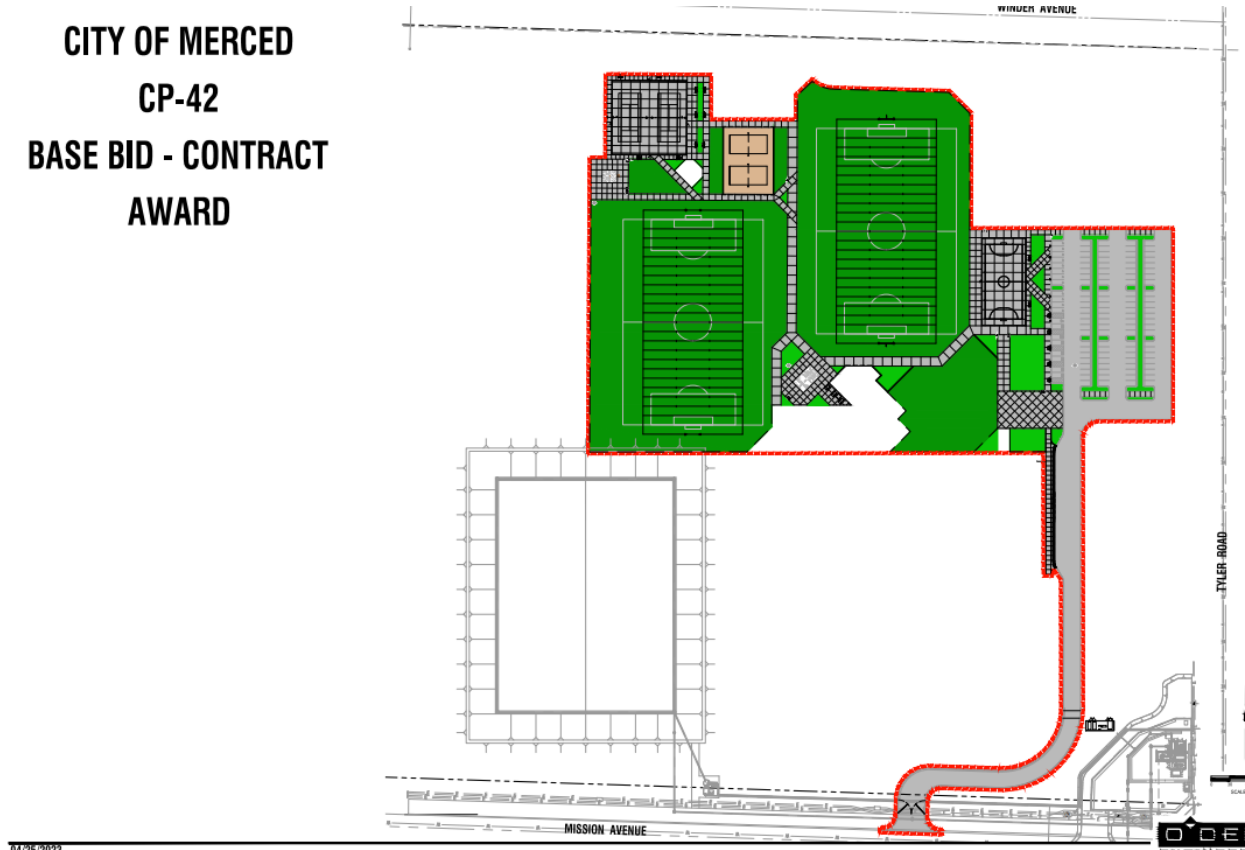
Recommend development program under Water Conservation



BROADBAND PROJECT

- Merced County Needs Assessment Report Completed
 - 98% of City of Merced Residents have access to Broadband
- Evaluating several rounds of upcoming grant opportunities
 - Merced County Award LATA Grant of \$500,000
 - Last Mile Federal Funding Account = \$2 Billion
 - Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment \$42 Billion
- Planning phase of grant applications to include developing a public-private partnership to provide high speed broadband to high need areas as defied by broadband grant programs.
- Recommend reserving \$1 million to match Capital Improvements related to future grant application
- The Golden State Network already under construction. 133 Miles of fiber optics planned throughout Merced County
- Golden State Connect authority (JPA) create by RCRC partnered with UTOPIA for Merced County Region

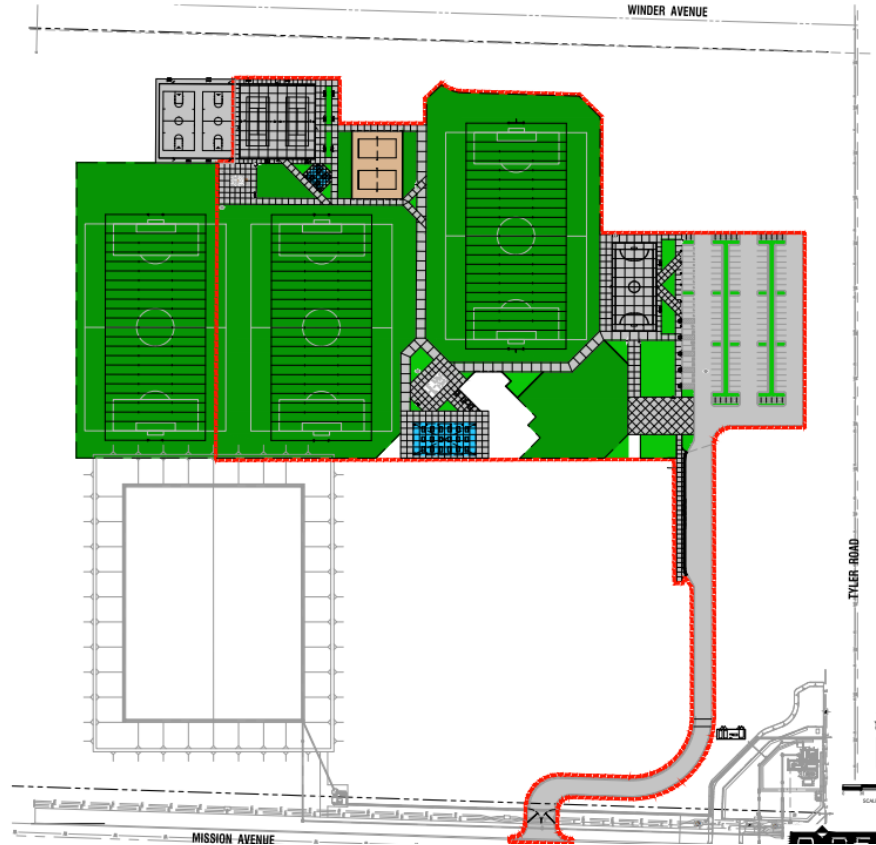
**CITY OF MERCED
CP-42
BASE BID - CONTRACT
AWARD**



CP-42 – PHASE 1 (\$5MIL)

- 2 Soccer Fields
- 2 Tennis/Pickleball Courts
- 2 Sand Volleyball courts
- Restroom/Concessions Bldg
- 2nd Restroom near fields
- Futsal Court
- Parking Lot
- Park lighting
- Sidewalk
- Irrigation/Grading/Drainage

CITY OF MERCED
CP-42
ADDITIONAL FUNDING
CONCEPTUAL PLAN



CP-42 PHASE 2 (\$2.5 MIL)

Large Shade/Picnic structure
Small Shade/Picnic structure
Field Lighting – 3 fields
1 Soccer Field
2 Basketball Courts
Drainage/Grading/Electrical
Connected Walking Paths

To add a 4th Field \$850k
Field with Lights
Grading/Drainage

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Utility Bill Relief

- Allow for more time to accept applications
- Or
- Redirect funding to existing project list

Stimulus Payments

- Allow for a 2nd round of applications
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