

Public Facilities Update

CITY OF MERCED COUNCIL MEETING

JANUARY 16, 2018

Community Priorities

Provide rapid responses to neighborhood fires

Retain qualified personnel

Prevent gang activity in the City

Protect and maintain 9-1-1 emergency response times

Address homelessness

Maintain neighborhood-based safety efforts to make areas surrounding schools and parks safer

Proposed Timeline

September – October 2017

- Survey the public
- Analyze results and develop strategic recommendations

November – December 2017

- Release results of the survey
- Prepare to launch 2018 Public Facility Engagement Efforts
- Develop timeline for Community Presentations

January – May 2018

- Understand/Develop strategy for Cannabis Ballot Measure
- Town Hall Meetings/Goals & Priorities Setting Session – maximize outreach
- Community Presentations

June - July 2018

- Survey the public
- Discuss with Council on possibility of moving forward with Public Facilities measure

August – October 2018

- National Night Out Campaign
- Final outreach efforts and meetings

Recommended Next-Steps

Continue Outreach Efforts

- Solicit Committee volunteers
- Hold educational meetings
- Conduct second survey prior to call for election

Hire Project Manager (consultant)

- Re-evaluate Police Station needs assessment
- Develop police station design/drawings and construction options

Retain Financial Advisor to develop options/strategy

Direction to Staff

Input on Public Facilities Outreach Committee

Hiring of Project Manager and Architect for Police Station

Plan for follow up survey in June 2018

Investigate financing options and present at a future meeting