

## CITY OF MERCED

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# Legislation Details (With Text)

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Title: SUBJECT: Consideration to Create an Honorary Historic Neighborhood District for the Spaghetti

Acres Neighborhood

REPORT IN BRIEF

Consider creating an honorary historic neighborhood district for the Spaghetti Acres neighborhood in

Central Merced.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion approving Resolution 2023-03, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Merced, California, Approving the Spaghetti Acres Honorary Neighborhood Residential Historic

District Designation.

Sponsors:

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**Code sections:** 

Attachments: 1. Downtown Neighborhood Association Proposal.pdf, 2. Resolution No. 2023-03

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
1/17/2023	1	City Council/Public Finance and Economic Development Authority/Parking Authority/Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency	approved	Pass

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**SUBJECT:** Consideration to Create an Honorary Historic Neighborhood District for the Spaghetti Acres Neighborhood

#### REPORT IN BRIEF

Consider creating an honorary historic neighborhood district for the Spaghetti Acres neighborhood in Central Merced.

## RECOMMENDATION

**City Council** - Adopt a motion approving **Resolution 2023-03**, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Merced, California, Approving the Spaghetti Acres Honorary Neighborhood Residential Historic District Designation.

## **ALTERNATIVES**

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- 1. Approve, as recommend by Staff; or,
- 2. Approve, subject to other than recommended by Staff; or,
- 3. Deny; or,
- 4. Refer to Staff for reconsideration of specific items; or,
- 5. Continue to a future meeting.

#### **AUTHORITY**

Charter of the City of Merced, Section 200.

## CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES

N/A.

#### DISCUSSION

The Merced Downtown Neighborhood Association (DNA) is requesting the City Council create an Honorary Historic Neighborhood District for Spaghetti Acres. Spaghetti Acres is generally defined as homes between R St and Bear Creek, and 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> Streets.

The Merced DNA believes this designation would serve to recognize the historic character of the neighborhood and call attention to the rich history of the homes. The attached proposal includes a section on Spaghetti Acres' vivid history (Attachment 1.)

The designation would not require any zoning changes or place any land use restrictions on property owners within the district, would not impose any restrictions on homeowners, or prevent any future changes or modifications to the structures. There would be no changes in property taxes. Any signage to reflect the designation would be paid for by the residents after the design was approved by City Staff.

The Merced DNA held two community meetings to discuss the designation with Spaghetti Acres residents. The first meeting was attended by approximately 40 people and the second meeting was attended by approximately 35 people, with attendees expressing support at both meetings. In addition, there was a petition with 84 signatures from residents in support of the designation.

## **History and Past Actions**

In a letter dated July 25, 2017, the Merced Downtown Association submitted a proposal to City Council requesting the Ragsdale area be designated as an Honorary Historic Neighborhood District. On September 5, 2017, City Council passed Resolution 2017-45 approving the designation for the Ragsdale neighborhood.

#### IMPACT ON CITY RESOURCES

No appropriation of funds is needed.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Merced Downtown Neighborhood Association Proposal
- 2. Resolution 2023-03