



Legislation Text

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SUBJECT: Accept and Appropriate Grant Funds from Pacific Gas and Electric for Mercy Gulch Days

REPORT IN BRIEF

Accept and appropriate grant funds (\$3,000) from Pacific Gas and Electric to be used for the 2017 Mercy Gulch Day community event.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Accepting the grant funds totaling \$3,000 from Pacific Gas and Electric into Fund 001-2002-360-02-01; and,
- B. Appropriating the same to Fund 001-2002-572-17-00 (Economic Development - Professional Services) to be used for the Mercy Gulch Days community event via the Agreement between the Greater Merced Chamber of Commerce and the City of Merced; and,
- C. Authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

ALTERNATIVES

- 1. Approve, as recommended by Staff; or,
- 2. Approve, subject to other than recommended by staff (identify specific findings and/or conditions amended to be addressed in the motion); or,
- 3. Deny, or;
- 4. Refer to staff for reconsideration of specific items (specific items to be addressed in the motion); or
- 5. Continue to a future meeting (date and time to be specified in the motion.)

AUTHORITY

City of Merced Charter Section 200.

CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES

Economic Development as provided for in the 2016-17 Adopted Budget.

DISCUSSION

The City of Merced made application to Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) for a local grant to be used Merced Gulch Days community event. PG&E awarded a grant of \$3,000 to the City of Merced. Staff

is requesting the City Council to accept the PG&E grant into Fund 001-2002-360-02-01 (Contributions - Economic Development), and appropriate the same into Fund 001-2002-572-17-00 (Professional Services - Economic Development.)

The City of Merced entered into a Professional Service Agreement with the Greater Merced Chamber of Commerce to organize Mercy Gulch in Spring 2017. The Agreement calls for \$5,500 to be paid to the Greater Chamber for expenses to put on Mercy Gulch with \$2,500 coming from Economic Development, and the remainder from the \$3,000 PG&E grant. Traditionally, Mercy Gulch is just before the Merced County Fair. Currently, the Greater Merced Chamber of Commerce is working on organizing the Cap and Town community event which is independent of the Mercy Gulch Professional Service Agreement.

IMPACT ON CITY RESOURCES

The appropriation to Fund 001-2002-572-17-00 (Economic Development) enables the City to use the grant funds for Mercy Gulch via the Agreement with the Chamber of Commerce.