



## Legislation Text

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**SUBJECT:** Public Hearing and Adoption of Resolution Granting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for Stonewall Private Security Services

### REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving a Resolution to grant and issue a certificate of public convenience and necessity to Stonewall Private Security Services.

### RECOMMENDATION

**City Council** - Adopt a motion approving **Resolution 2019-50**, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Merced, California, granting a certificate of public convenience and necessity to Stonewall Private Security Services.

### ALTERNATIVES

1. Approve as recommended by staff; or,
2. Deny the recommendation; or,
3. Modify the staff recommendation.

### AUTHORITY

Section 5.40.020 of the Merced Municipal Code requires that before any person can engage in the business of operating a private patrol service or to engage in employment as a patrolman of such private patrol service a certificate of public convenience and necessity must be issued by the City Council.

### CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES

As provided for in the 2019-20 Adopted Budget.

### DISCUSSION

The City has received a business license application from Stonewall Private Security Services, a private security firm requesting to do business within the City of Merced. Stonewall Private Security Services currently provides services in Modesto, Los Banos and Atwater. Stonewall Private Security Services has obtained their Bureau of Security and Investigative Services Private Patrol Operator license from the State of California. The license was issued January 14, 2019 and expires January 31, 2021.

In speaking with the owner, Juan Amador-Sanchez, he advised he would like to provide security services in the City of Merced. This is the reason Stonewall Private Security Services is seeking a

City of Merced business license.

An online check with the Department of Consumer Affairs was completed and found no complaints against Stonewall Private Security Services.

A questionnaire was sent to Stonewall Private Security Services to obtain the required information per 5.40.030 of the City of Merced Municipal Code. Refer to the attached questionnaire for specific details.

Stonewall Private Security Services currently holds a Private Patrol Operator License # 120501 issued by the Bureau of Security and Investigative Services. The current license expires January 31, 2021.

A Notice of Public Hearing was published in the Merced County Times regarding the Application for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity.

### **IMPACT ON CITY RESOURCES**

"No appropriation of funds is needed."

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Business License Application
2. Merced Police Department Private Patrol Application
3. Bureau of Security and Investigative Services licensing details for 120501
4. Resolution 2019-50
5. PH Notice