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To: The Honorable Mayor and City Council
From: Stephanie R. Dietz, Interim City Manager
Date: October 9, 2020
Re: City Council Information Report

THE BIKE PATROL IS COMING BACK

The Merced Police Department is in the process of re-establishing its Bike Patrol program.

The plan is to have officers working in the Downtown District, on the City bike paths and in the parks within the next few weeks.

The program was especially popular with Downtown merchants and was a good outreach tool with the general public.



CODE ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION WEEK

The City Council presented a proclamation Monday evening declaring the first week of October as Code Enforcement Appreciation Week. The Merced Police Department Code Enforcement Division was recognized for their hard work and dedication to the community. They proudly accepted this proclamation.

Our Code Enforcement division includes Ruby Santiago, Jackie Hicks and Ken Bogle. (pictured from left to right)



Ruby was born and raised in the Merced/Atwater area. She joined the Merced Police Department in 2016 and is currently a Community Service Officer, assigned to Code Enforcement. She is grateful to be a part of a division that helps promote and maintain safety as well as improvements to our community conditions.

Jackie has been a Merced Resident for 48 years and is a graduate of Merced High School. She joined the Department in 2016 as a Community Service Officer, and is currently assigned to Code Enforcement. She works closely with Public Works, the Fire Department and fellow officers of the Merced Police Department in serving the community and working on abatement violations of the Merced Municipal Code.

Ken moved to Merced in 2015 and has been employed by the Department for the last four years as a Community Service Officer, assigned to Code Enforcement. He is grateful for the opportunity to work with this Department and the City of Merced. He enjoys ultimate Frisbee and hiking.

MORE TRASH CANS ADDED ALONG BEAR CREEK

Public Works crews placed additional trash cans along the Bear Creek Bike Path this week. Passerbys can find cans on the north side of Bear Creek near Tahoe, Parsons, and Mckee avenues, as well on the south side of Bear Creek near Fourth, Glen, and McKee avenues.



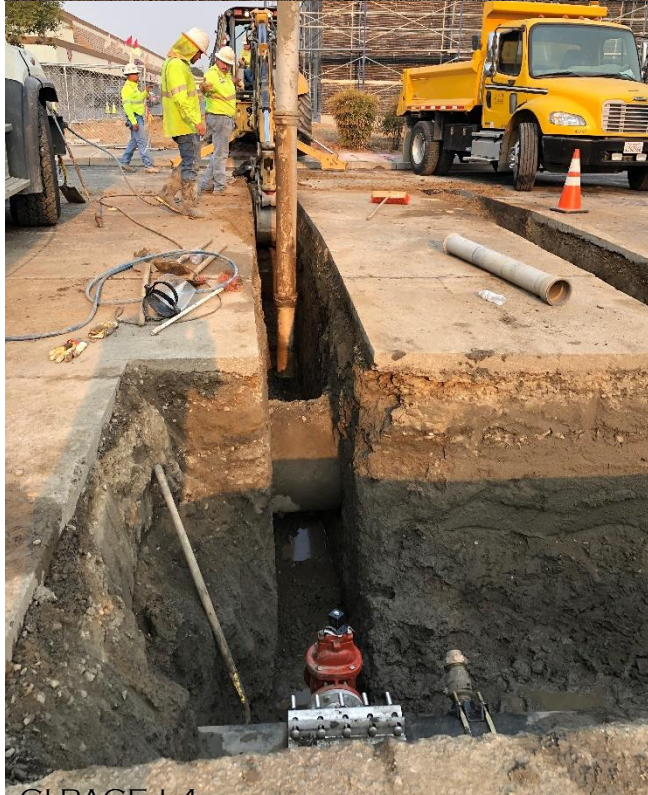
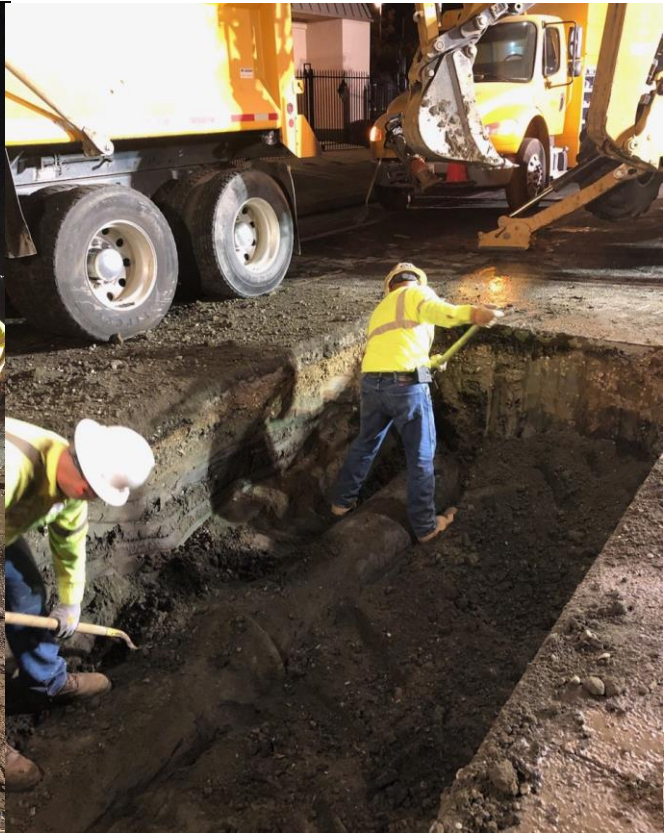
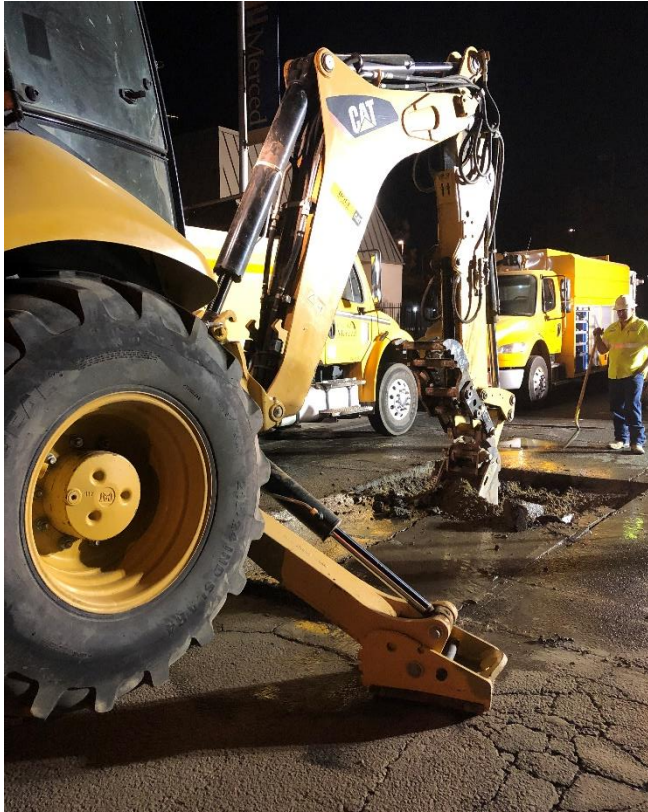
VIRTUAL ARBOR DAY – OCTOBER 15

Each year in April, the City of Merced celebrates Arbor Day by planting trees throughout town. Since this year's celebration was temporarily put on hold due to the pandemic, Public Works will be hosting its first *Virtual Arbor Day* on Thurs. Oct. 15. Crews will be planting 5 new trees at the Merced Dog Park to celebrate. Outreach and education will be posted all week long to the Public Works Facebook page.



R STREET WATER WORK

Public Works Water crews began night work Tuesday to install new water services for the Starbucks commercial building at R and Main streets. All lanes of traffic were closed Monday evening, with a partial closure continuing into Thursday.



ENGINEERING UPDATE

Water Well Site #20

The Clark Bros., Inc., crew is tying steel for the block wall footing. This project is approximately 80% complete.



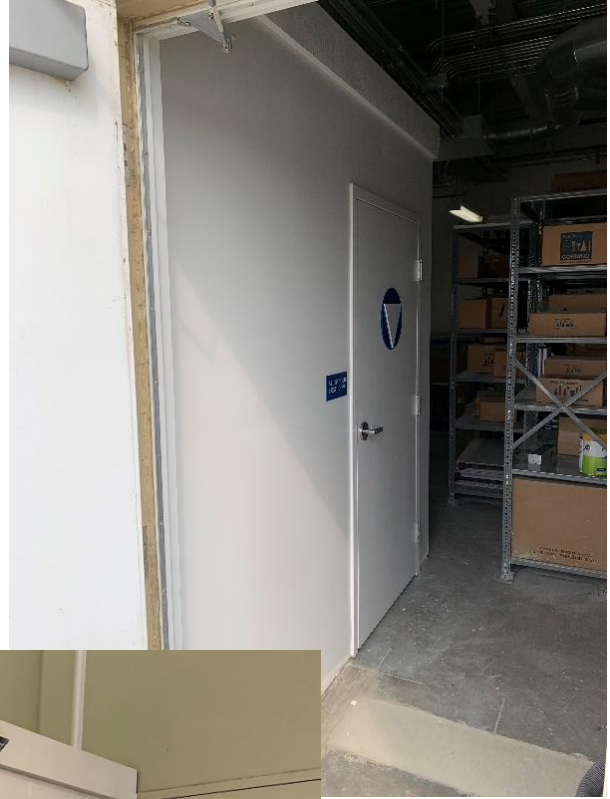
Brimmer Water Main

All new infrastructure to be installed by Mid Cal Pipeline & Utilities, Inc., at the site. This project is 5% complete.



Lab Building & Solid Handling Building Restrooms

The Daguerre Construction crew is finishing up today. The project is approximately 90% completed and the punch list is next.



Cooper Lift Station

The Phase 1 Construction crew is working on electrical systems. This project is approximately 60% complete.



Upcoming Construction Projects (Council Award Date)

1. 117020 – Gerard Ave. Sewer Main Hwy 99 to Kibby Road (10/19)
2. 119006 – Alpine Drive – G St. to Wainwright Ave. Improvements (10/19)
3. 119003 – R St. Rehabilitation Loughborough Dr. to Buena Vista Dr. (10/19)
4. 120008 – Crack Filling Phase 1 (16th, G St, Olive Ave)

Projects in Design

1. Highway 59 Widening
2. Highway 59 and 16th Street Signal and Channelization (90%)
3. Motel Drive Multi-Use Path (100%)
4. V Street, 16th to 18th Streets, Road Improvement (90%)
5. N Street, 16th to 18th Streets, Roadway Improvement (100%) Submitted to CTC
6. R Street, 16th to 18th (40%)
7. B Street Improvements (30%)
8. G Street Improvements Childs to 13th St. (100%) Submitted to CTC
9. Orchard Avenue Sewer (40%)

INSPECTION SERVICES REPORT

Please find attached the Inspection Services biweekly report.

PLANNING COMMISSION MEMO

Please find attached the Planning Commission Action Memo for the Oct. 7 meeting.

HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT

Please find attached the Human Resources Department monthly report for September.

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Inspection Services CI

For the period of September 21st through October 4th, 2020, there were 100 New Single Family Dwelling Permits Issued.

The running total of New Single Family Dwellings in Plan Review is **452**.

Multi Family Permits in review:

Gateway Terrace Apartments located at 405 W 12th St; 1 office/lounge and 6, 2 story apartments: 2 buildings have 16 units, 3 buildings have 30 units, and 1 building has 4 units for a total of 126 units. Compass Pointe phase II: 128 units in 16, 8-plex buildings, plus a clubhouse.

Merced Station (Yosemite at Lake Apartments) located at 2850 E. Yosemite Ave.; **5** of 15 multi-family apartment permits are still pending issuance (for buildings 10-14).

The Childs & B St. project plan review is approved and the permit is pending issuance. It consists of 5 publicly funded apartment buildings and a community building in an affordable housing development consisting of 119 units on 4 acres located at 1157 B St.

There is also 1 new 2,438 SF duplex in review, located at 345 W. 23rd St.
(no change from last report)

There were 0 multi-family permits issued during this period.

There were 0 new construction commercial permits issued during this period.

There was 1 new tenant improvement permit issued during this period; for an expansion at the 1,700 SF "Hue Salon" located at 1806 Canal St.

There were 0 new commercial submittals during this period.

There was 1 new tenant improvement submittal during this period; for improvements at the "City Eyebrow Beauty Salon" located at 3144 G St. #115.

There was 1 CofO issued for this period; for the addition of refrigerators and gondolas at Food Maxx located at 1300 W. Olive Ave.

There were 37 CofOs for Single Family Dwellings during this period.

City of Merced
MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 8, 2020
TO: City Council
FROM: Kim Espinosa, Planning Manager *KE*
SUBJECT: Actions at the Planning Commission Meeting of October 7, 2020

At their meeting of October 7, 2020, the Planning Commission voted to continue the Modification of Conditional Use Permit #1200 to the regular meeting of October 21, 2020, at the request of the applicant.

If you have any questions about this item, please feel free to contact me.

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Human Resources September 2020 Monthly Report

	<u>Current</u> Sept '20	<u>Previous</u> Sept '19	<u>2020</u> YTD Total	<u>2019</u> Grand Total
Personnel:				
Recruitment(s)	7	3	23	53
New Hires				
Full Time	5	4	21	52
Temporary	5	0	26	56
Separations				
Full Time				
Deceased	0	0	0	3
Other Employment	0	0	5	14
Probation Release	1	1	5	5
Resigned	1	1	14	9
Retired	4	0	17	9
Termination for Cause	0	0	2	1
Temporary				
Accepted Full Time Position	0	0	0	0
Seasonal	0	25	31	47
Total Number of Employees				
Full Time	492	543	--	--
Temporary	42	79	--	--
Insurance:				
Government Claim (s) Filed	3	6	68	62
Subrogation Claim (s) Filed	7	16	50	50
Training - Workshops Offered	2	4	16	39