

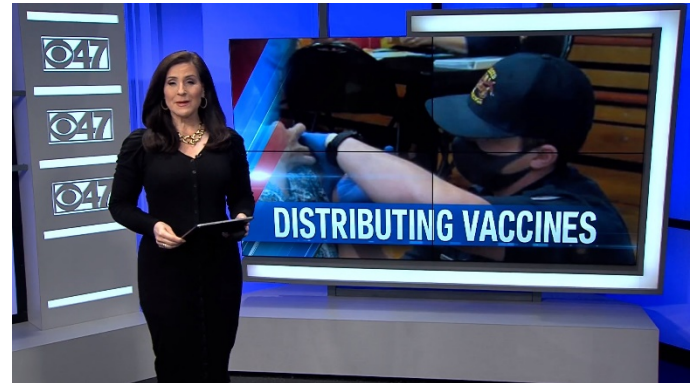


# THE WEEKLY COUNCIL INFORMATION REPORT

March 5, 2021

## MFD FEATURED ON NEWS MEDIA FOR COVID VACCINE EFFORTS

The Merced Fire Department is back in the news for supporting their partners at Merced College and Mercy Medical Center, Merced with the delivery of vaccines. The point of distribution (POD) is now reaching the second dose for members of the community. The MFD has been featured on multiple news outlets for supporting vaccination efforts. This week, Channel 47 and ABC30 covered the story. Next week, Fire personnel will be out for the final two days to complete the initial rollout of vaccinations.



ABC30 Action News reported, “Merced City fire crews say they worked with the local and state health departments to train their teams to give the shots.

The firefighters made the decision after learning the Merced County health department needed people who were qualified to inoculate members of the community.

The department's spokesperson says their crews are honored and humbled to take on new challenges to help their residents.”

**It's been a great week for the MFD!**

## 2021 FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR

Captain Keith Albrecht was nominated and selected as the 2021 Firefighter of the Year. Captain Albrecht will be recognized in May at the graduation ceremony for the new hire fire recruits as well. He is very well deserving of the award as he embodies what MFD strives for service and dedication.

Congratulations, Captain Albrecht!



## PARKS & REC SUPERVISOR REID EARNS CERTIFIED YOUTH SPORTS ADMINISTRATOR

Parks and Recreation Supervisor Michelle Reid has received a specialized certification from the National Alliance for Youth Sports (NAYS). Michelle successfully completed the months-long course to become a Certified Youth Sports Administrator (CYSA) through NAYS.

The CYSA designation is an exclusive credential that is held by those who have successfully completed the Academy for Youth Sports Administrators training. CYSA's are an elite group of professionals that continuously demonstrate their professional commitment to the field of youth sports. CYSA's are

regarded by a higher standard because they undergo the necessary training and continuing education to fulfill the duties of their position. Training for these professionals is the key to raising the level of professionalism in youth sports and setting the standard for successful youth sports in each community.



The certification provides a fundamental understanding of how quality youth sports programs operate and serves as a professional development opportunity, resume builder and networking forum. More than 5,300 professionals have earned their CYSA to date and many organizations (including the U.S. Army, Navy and Air Force) require that all Youth Sports Directors earn the CYSA credential.

The CYSA credential is valid for two years and must be maintained by obtaining continuing education credits. All CYSA's have continuous access to the Online Academy. The Online Academy includes a variety of tools, resources and information designed to assist the CYSA in offering the best possible youth sports program in their local community.

Congratulations, Michelle!



## NEW HANGAR CONSTRUCTION COMPLETED

Vegetable Flight Resources, LLC, completed the construction of an 80'x80' hangar on a 10,000 square foot pad for its aircraft at the Merced Regional Airport. Now known as Hangar 43, the location of the new hangar is consistent with the Airport Master Plan. The owner entered into a long-term 30-year lease with an option to renew for 15-years.



## PUBLIC WORKS IN ACTION

### TREE PRUNING CONTRACT

Contracted tree pruning services continued this week, with West Coast Arborists working along M Street at Ironstone Drive.



### MORE TREE MAINTENANCE

The Public Works Tree Crew trimmed trees along R and 20th Streets.



### WATER CREW CONNECT NEW SERVICES

The Public Works Water Crew tapped three new water services for a building along E. Yosemite Avenue.



### PARKS CREW INSTALLS NEW IRRIGATION

The Public Works Parks Crew, pictured below, repaired irrigation in Downtown.



The Water Crew also connected a new section of water main on Tenaya Drive as part of the Alpine Drive water main project.



A new irrigation pump was also installed at Black Rascal Park (Kingsland area).



### SEWER CREW REPLACES DAMAGED MANHOLE

The Public Works Sewer Crew replaced a damaged storm drain manhole at 22nd and Canal Streets.



### CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - PROJECTS UPDATE

#### Project No. 117020 - Gerard Ave. Sewer Main, Hwy 99 to Kibby Road

The Crew of Rolfe Construction Company placed shoulder backing along the edge of the trench this week; approximately 1,700 feet of sewer line have been installed.

This project is 10% complete.



#### Project No. 120010 - M Street Resurfacing 8th Street to 13th Street

MVC Enterprises, Inc., is working on a punch list.

This project is 99% complete.



**Project No. 113031 – Brimmer Water Main**

Mid Cal Pipeline & Utilities, Inc., completed the installation of a new water line and services.

This project is 99% complete.



**Project #107033 – Water Well Site #20**

Clark Bros, Inc., prepared the site for pavement.

This project is approximately 98% complete.



**Project No. 119006 – Alpine Drive, G St. to Wainwright Ave. Improvements**

TBS Contractors removed old fire hydrants and poured valley gutters. This project is approximately 80% complete.



**CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS**

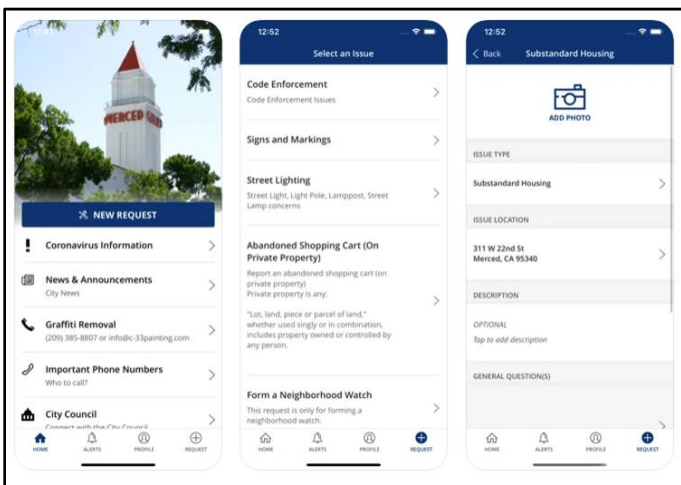
1. 107033 - Water Well Site #20
2. 113031- Brimmer Water Main
3. 117020 - Gerard Ave. Sewer Main Hwy 99 to Kibby Road
4. 119006 - Alpine Drive – G St. to Wainwright Ave. Improvements
5. 120008 - Crack Filling Phase 1 (16<sup>th</sup>, G St, Olive Ave)
6. 120010 - M Street Resurfacing 8<sup>th</sup> Street to 13<sup>th</sup> Street

**PROJECTS IN DESIGN**

1. Highway 59 Widening
2. Highway 59 and 16<sup>th</sup> Street Signal and Channelization (90%)
3. Motel Drive Multi-Use Path (100%)
4. V Street, 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> Streets, Road Improvement (95%)
5. N Street, 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> Streets, Roadway Improvement (100%)
6. R Street, 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> (70%)
7. B Street Improvements (40%)
8. G Street Improvements Childs to 13<sup>th</sup> St. (100%)
9. Orchard Avenue Sewer (40%)

## MERCED CONNECT SMARTPHONE APP


The Merced Connect app is for citizens to access their government in a single location. With this tool, citizens can submit, track, and view nearby service requests through their smartphones as well as online. Citizens can also use the app to find information about News & Announcements, Water Conservation, and more.



## SUBSCRIBE MERCED NOTIFICATION SERVICE

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## MERCED COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Merced Community Calendar is a great way to let people know about your event, gain a larger audience, or find out what is going on in Merced.

To find out how to submit your event to the community calendar, please contact: [mccrequest@cityofmerced.org](mailto:mccrequest@cityofmerced.org) or click on the blue submit event button on the web page.

# Upcoming Events



### Read Woke Reading Challenge

📅 Mar 11, 2021

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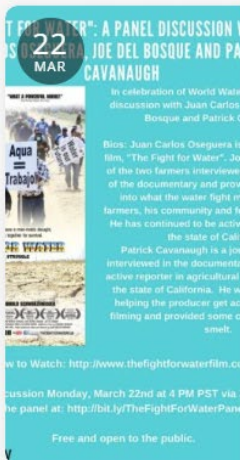


### Gather: A Panel Discussion with A-dae Briones and Sanjay Rawal

📍 Virtual 📅 Mar 18, 2021 🆓 Free

Join us for a discussion with A-dae Romero-Briones, Director of Programs- Native Agriculture and Food Systems, Cochiti/Kiow...

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### "The Fight For Water": A Panel Discussion with Juan Carlos Oseguera, Joe Del Bosque and Patrick Cavanaugh

📅 Mar 22, 2021 🆓 Free

In celebration of World Water Day, join the University of California, Merced for a discussion with Juan Carlos Oseguera, Joe D...

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### Read Woke Reading Challenge

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## **PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION MEMO**

Please find attached, the Planning Commission Action Memo from the March 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

## **MCAG MONTHLY NEWSLETTER**

Please find attached, the MCAG newsletter for the month of March.

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*City of Merced*  
**MEMORANDUM**

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**DATE:** March 4, 2021  
**TO:** City Council  
**FROM:** Kim Espinosa, Planning Manager  
**SUBJECT:** Actions at the Planning Commission Meeting of March 3, 2021

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At their meeting of March 3, 2021, the Planning Commission heard and approved the Extension of Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map #1291 (initiated by Bright Development for 161 lots on 39.8 acres located at the northeast corner of G Street and Merrill Place).

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

Attachment

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MODIFIED by Planning Commission on 10/3/18 –see pg. 3-13

AMENDED by Planning Commission on 6/6/18 – see pg. 10

Extended on 7/15/08, 7/15/09, 7/15/11, 7/11/13, 10/10/15, 4/3/2019, 2/19/2020, and 3/3/2021– See Pages 9-15

AMENDED by City Council on 1/16/07 – Pg 3

APPROVAL UPHELD by City Council on June 3, 2019

**CITY OF MERCED  
Planning Commission**

**Resolution #2904**

**WHEREAS**, the Merced City Planning Commission at its regular meeting of November 8, 2006, held a public hearing and considered **Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map #1291** (“Bright Development”), initiated by Golden Valley Engineering, applicants for Bright Homes Corporation, property owner, to allow the subdivision of 39.8 acres into 168 single-family residential lots. The area is located east of G Street, and ¼ mile north of Cardella Road within an R-1-5 (Low Density Residential, 5,000-square-foot lot minimum) pre-zone; also known as Assessor’s Parcel No. 061-030-017 and -038; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Merced City Planning Commission does not concur with Findings A through V of Staff Report #06-41 – 4<sup>th</sup> Addendum, and finds as follows in additional Finding W:

“W. During their testimony during the public hearing, the project applicants indicated that they wanted changes to Condition Numbers 2, 16, 20, & 21 and the deletion of Condition #29. Planning staff indicated that these changes were not recommended since they appeared to be in conflict with the Voting Rights Act and the adopted Pre-Annexation Development Agreement signed by the applicants. The Planning Commission reviewed various documents regarding the Annexation Agreement and the City Attorney clarified the delay with the recordation of the annexation pending required pre-clearance under the Voting Rights Act.

“At that time, the Commission indicated that they didn't feel they had enough information to make a decision to approve the project at this point and they did not want to contradict the previous agreements. However, the applicants had asked that a decision be made at this meeting due to the previous continuances. Given the above, the Planning Commission voted to deny the applications and informed the applicants that they could appeal their decision to the City Council.”

**WHEREAS**, after reviewing the City’s Initial Study and Draft Environmental Determination, and fully discussing all the issues, the Merced City Planning

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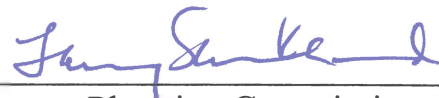
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Commission does resolve to hereby deny Vesting Tentative Subdivision  
Map #1291.

Upon motion by Commissioner Amey, seconded by Commissioner  
Burr, and carried by the following vote:

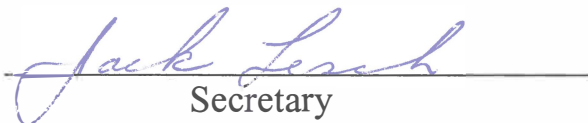
AYES: Commissioners Acheson, Amey, Burr, and Chairman  
Shankland  
NOES: Commissioner Ward  
ABSENT: Commissioners Conte and Fisher

Adopted this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2006



Chairman, Planning Commission of  
the City of Merced, California

ATTEST:



Secretary

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**January 16, 2007**: At their regularly scheduled City Council meeting of January 16, 2007, the City Council considered the Applicant’s appeal of the Planning Commission Denial of Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map #1291 (“Bright Development”) and took the following action:

Upon Motion by Council Member Gabriault-Acosta, Seconded by Council Member Pollard, duly carried, resolved, to approve Findings A through S, finding that the previous environmental review [Expanded Initial Study #04-02 (Mitigated Negative Declaration) for the Absolute/Leeco Annexation] remains sufficient and no further documentation is required (Subsequent EIR/ND Section 15162 Findings), and approves Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map Application No. 1291 (“Bright Development”), subject to the amended conditions as recommended by Staff to the Planning Commission on November 8, 2006, and modification of Condition #21 of Staff Report No. 06-42 – 4<sup>th</sup> Addendum, as follows:

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1. ~~The proposed project shall be constructed/designed as shown on Exhibit 1 (Proposed Vesting Tentative Map) Attachment C, subject to the listed conditions.~~
2. All conditions contained in Resolution #1175-Amended ("Standard Tentative Subdivision Map Conditions") shall apply, as well as conditions and mitigation measures spelled out in the Pre-Annexation Development Agreement for Absolute/Leeco Annexation (including the need to comply with the 6-minute emergency response time in the Pre-Annexation Development Agreement), adopted April 17, 2006, and any subsequent amendments (see Attachment F for mitigation measures).
3. The proposed project shall comply with all standard Municipal Code (including R-1-5 design standards) and Subdivision Map Act requirements as applied by the City Engineering Department.
4. All other applicable codes, ordinances, policies, etc., adopted by the City of Merced shall apply.

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5. Community Facilities District (CFD) formation is required for annual operating costs for police and fire services as well as storm drainage, public landscaping, street trees, street lights, parks and open space. CFD procedures shall be initiated before final map approval. Developer/Owner shall submit a request agreeing to such a procedure, waiving right to protest and post deposit as determined by the City Engineer to be sufficient to cover procedure costs and maintenance costs expected prior to first assessments being received.
6. The developer/applicant shall indemnify, protect, defend, and hold harmless the City, and any agency or instrumentality thereof, and any officers, officials, employees, or agents thereof, from any and all claims, actions, or proceedings against the City, or any agency or instrumentality thereof, and any officers, officials, employees, or agents thereof to attack, set aside, void, or annul, an approval of the City, or any agency or instrumentality thereof, advisory agency, appeal board, or legislative body, including actions approved by the voters of the City, concerning the project and the approvals granted herein. City shall promptly notify the developer/applicant of any claim, action, or proceeding. City shall further cooperate fully in the defense of the action. Should the City fail to either promptly notify or cooperate fully, the developer/applicant shall not thereafter be responsible to indemnify, defend, protect, or hold harmless the City, any agency or instrumentality thereof, or any of its officers, officials, employees, or agents.
7. The developer/applicant shall construct and operate the project in strict compliance with the approvals granted herein, City standards, laws, and ordinances, and in compliance with all State and Federal laws, regulations, and standards. In the event of a conflict between City laws and standards and a State or Federal law, regulation, or standard, the stricter or higher standard shall control.
8. Street names to be approved by City Engineer.

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9. Dedicate, by Final Map, all interior street rights-of-way and all necessary easements and as needed for irrigation, utilities, drainage, landscaping, and open space, including any right-of-way necessary to reflect the modified alignment of the north-south oriented collector road in the eastern portion of the project located adjacent to the park and linear open space corridor.

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~~10. Developer shall design storm drainage with consideration as to whether the shared pump station pumping rate can or needs to be constructed in phases. Developer shall share costs of pump station with the subdivision to the north (“Palisades Park”) if joint use occurs, or if pump station is necessary. Storm drainage shall comply with City Storm Drainage Master Plan.~~

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~~11. Developer shall design sanitary sewer with consideration as to whether the shared pump station pumping rate can or needs to be constructed in phases. Developer shall share costs of pump station with the subdivision to the north (“Palisades Park”) if joint use occurs, or if pump station is necessary.~~

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~~12. Dedicate additional G Street right-of-way and easements to match Merced Vision 2015 General Plan requirements for 128 foot wide arterial, plus landscape and public facilities easements of 15 feet in width, including the construction of a 6 foot high masonry wall. Consistent with Planning Commission Resolution #2871 (Absolute Leeco Annexation), all of “G” Street within the annexation boundary shall be constructed at the time of improvements for the first tentative map, along with all other requirements listed in Condition #7 of said Resolution.~~

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~~13. Dedicate additional right of way and easements along the northern half of Merrill Avenue to match Merced Vision 2015 General Plan requirements for 74 foot wide collector (37 feet of ROW), plus landscape and public facilities easements varying from 10 feet to 12 feet in width, including the construction of a 6 foot high masonry wall along the northern portion of the roadway. These improvements shall~~

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- ~~terminate at the northeast corner of the intersection of Merrill Avenue and “K” Drive as indicated on the Tentative Map.~~
14. Provide for City review and approval of landscape/irrigation plans, prepared by a licensed landscape architect, for all areas of landscaping that are to be maintained by City.
  15. Compliance with the 40-foot visual corner is required for corner lots (approximately 20 lots), and may result in the applicant constructing smaller homes on these lots or increasing the front yard setbacks. A 4-foot encroachment for the porch area can be allowed within this area. Details to be worked out with staff.
  16. The effective date of this tentative map approval shall be the effective date of the final annexation for Absolute/Leeco. (Annexation to the City has not yet been finalized and is subject to pre-clearance under the Voting Rights Act before the Annexation can become effective.)
  17. The proposed Community Park shall be designed for park and recreational use only. Basin or storm-water retention allowed within this park shall be consistent with the Park Master Plan. All bike trails within the linear park shall be a minimum width of 10-12 feet as per the Park Master Plan.
  18. Refuse containers shall be stored out of site of the general public, including those homes located on the private driveways. A concrete pad (3 x 6 foot minimum) shall be installed in the side or back yard of each unit to house refuse containers with a paved path to the street.
  19. There shall be no valley (cross) gutters installed within this subdivision.
  20. Merrill Avenue shall be constructed to include a paved travel lane that is 23.5 feet wide curb-to-curb, with a 6-inch vertical asphalt curb along the south boundary line. The north side of Merrill Avenue will need to include curb and gutter, park strip, and a 5-foot sidewalk. Developer



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shall construct the roadway prior to issuance of the first certificate of occupancy. Developer shall complete the intersection of Foothill Drive and G Street by expanding the intersection to a 4-way, signalized intersection prior to the issuance of the 50<sup>th</sup> building permit. This includes a median at the intersection of G Street and Merrill Avenue. The Developer shall coordinate the design of this roadway, to the extent feasible, with the adjoining property owner to the south.

21. The drainage basins along the PG&E power-line easements and within the neighborhood park/basins shall be designed in an open manner with no barriers, fences, etc., hindering their use as open space. All basins will need to be constructed and functional with City acceptance prior to issuance of the first certificate of occupancy. The linear and neighborhood parks will need to be transferred to the City of Merced per the terms of the Pre-Annexation Development Agreement.

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- ~~22. The secondary access point shall be located at the intersection of Foothill Drive and G Street. The secondary access point shall be installed prior to the issuance of the 1<sup>st</sup> certificate of occupancy permit.~~

23. City staff encourages and recommends the applicant to seek a water agreement with Merced Irrigation District for the usage of non-potable water for the use of irrigation of the City Landscaped areas such as Park-Strips, Parks, and any other area where non-potable water is allowed to be used and is approved by the Public Works Director.

24. The street tree and street light locations shall be approved by City Staff prior to approval of the first Final Map.

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- ~~25. The cul-de-sac bulb, 'J' Court, shall be open end style including sidewalk connectors to adjacent linear parks (within the PG&E easement) and local streets and walls from back of house to back of house. The linear park and PG&E Easement shall be designed in an open manner, with no fences or other hindrances that would impede pedestrian accessibility of both easements as they intersect with each other and 'J' Court.~~

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~~26. The cul de sac bulb labeled as 'D' Court shall be designed with park strips due to its extended length.~~

27. City utility service (water and sewer) connections shall be located under the driveway for each lot that faces a City street. Water lines are privately owned and maintained between the meter and the home. Sewer lines are privately owned and maintained from the point of connection to the City-owned main sewer line.

28. Fire Hydrants to be provided and spaced in accordance with City of Merced standards. The maximum spacing between hydrants is 500 feet. Due to width issues of G Street, fire hydrants will need to be placed along the east side of this arterial roadway. The number and placement of fire hydrants to be worked out with the Fire Department.

29. The following design features shall be added to the elevations for the homes throughout the subdivision:

a. *Garages Doors:* Design features such as windows and door molds, or driveway pavement treatments, such as aggregate, integral color, and stamped patterns, shall be added. These designs shall be varied from one lot to the other.

b. *Front Elevations:*

i. All proposed elevations show stucco as the primary building facia material. At least one of the plans shall be amended to show wood siding as the primary facia material, or stone or brick panels (approximately 3 feet high) along the bottom of the facia as a required element, not an option.

ii. Each elevation is to be evenly distributed throughout the site. Prior to submittal of building permits, the applicant shall provide the Development Services Director with a

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“distribution plan” showing the: house plan elevation, color, roof material, porch design, and garage door/pavement design selected for each lot. In no case, shall any more than two adjacent lots in a row have the same elevation.

- iii. Blank rear and side elevations visible from a street are not permitted. The elevation shall include functional features (windows and doors, or be adorned with attractive features in addition to landscaping).
- iv. The color palette for houses shall be varied (at least 6 distinct sets of colors) and be consistent with the style of the house.
- v. High quality aesthetically pleasing materials (wood, stone, iron, pre-formed plastic fencing, etc.) shall be used.

BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: SPRIGGS, CORTEZ, GABRIALT-ACOSTA, POLLARD, SANDERS, WOOTEN

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: OSORIO

**July 15, 2008/July 15, 2009:** On July 15, 2008, the State of California gave a one-year extension to all active (not expired) tentative maps that were otherwise scheduled to expire on or before December 30, 2010. On July 15, 2009, the State of California gave a second, two-year extension. Therefore, this Tentative Map #1291 hereby has its expiration date extended to January 16, 2012.

**July 15, 2011:** On July 15, 2011, the State of California gave a 24-month extension to all active (not expired) tentative maps that were otherwise scheduled to expire on or before January 1, 2014. Therefore, Vesting

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Tentative Subdivision Map #1291 hereby has its expiration date extended to January 16, 2014.

**July 11, 2013:** On July 11, 2013, the State of California gave a 24-month extension to all active (not expired) tentative maps that were approved on or after January 1, 2000. Therefore, Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map #1291 hereby has its expiration date extended to January 16, 2016.

**October 10, 2015:** On October 10, 2015, the State of California gave a 24-month extension to all active (not expired) tentative maps that were approved on or after January 1, 2002, and not later than July 11, 2013. Therefore, Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map #1291 hereby has its expiration date extended to January 16, 2018.

**June 6, 2018:** At their regularly scheduled meeting of June 6, 2018, the Planning Commission approved the Extension of Vesting Tentative map #1291 (“Bright Homes”) for one year (to January 16, 2019), subject to the following additional conditions:

30. A revised vesting tentative map shall be submitted within 60 days of the date this extension is granted. The revised map shall include the following:
  - a. All lots shall be on property owned by the applicant.
  - b. All roads through the subdivision shall be on property owned by the applicant.
  - c. Access from Merrill Place into the subdivision on Palisades Drive shall be on property owned by the applicant or the right-of-way must have been dedicated to the City of Merced prior to submitting the revised map.
31. If after 60 days the above conditions have not been met, Vesting Tentative Map #1291 will automatically expire.

Upon motion by Commissioner PADILLA, seconded by Commissioner COLBY, and carried by the following vote:

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AYES: Commissioners Alshami, Camper, Colby, Martinez, Padilla, and  
Chairperson Dylina

NOES: None

ABSENT: None, (One vacancy)

ABSTAIN: None

**October 3, 2018:** At their regularly scheduled meeting of October 3, 2018, the Planning Commission approved the modifications to Vesting Tentative map #1291 (“Bright Homes”) subject to the conditions contained within this resolution, including modifications to Conditions #1, #10, #11, #12, #13, #22, and #25, the deletion of Condition #26, and the addition of Conditions #32 through #44. :

1. The proposed project shall be constructed/designed as shown on Exhibit 1 [Proposed Vesting Tentative Map #1291 (Modified)] - Attachment C of Staff Report #18-29, except as modified by the conditions.
10. Developer shall design storm drainage with consideration as to whether the shared pump station pumping rate can or needs to be constructed in phases. Developer shall share costs of pump station with the property owner to the north, if joint use occurs, or if pump station is necessary. Storm drainage shall comply with City Storm Drainage Master Plan.
11. Developer shall design sanitary sewer with consideration as to whether the shared pump station pumping rate can or needs to be constructed in phases.
12. Dedicate additional G Street right-of-way and easements to match *Merced Vision 2030 General Plan* requirements for a 128-foot wide arterial, plus an additional 15 feet of right-of-way to accommodate the required landscape area, block wall, and utilities. A 7-foot-tall block wall shall be constructed along the project’s frontage on G Street. Consistent with Planning Commission Resolution #2871 (Absolute Leeco Annexation), all of “G” Street within the annexation boundary shall be constructed at the time of improvements for the first tentative

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- map, along with all other requirements listed in Condition #7 of said Resolution.
13. Dedicate additional right-of-way and easements along the northern half of Merrill Avenue to match *Merced Vision 2030 General Plan* requirements for 74-foot wide collector (37-feet of ROW), an additional 10 feet of right-of-way to accommodate the required landscape area, block wall, and utilities. A 7-foot-tall wall shall be constructed along the project's frontage on Merrill Avenue (Place). The block wall may be constructed in phases consistent with the tentative map. All of the land required for this development's share of Merrill Avenue (Place) shall be dedicated with the first final map.
  22. Secondary access to the subdivision shall be provided by a Temporary Emergency Vehicle Access easement constructed between Lots 1 and 15 of Modified Tentative map #1291 to be maintained by the CFD.
  25. The linear park and PG&E Easement shall be designed in an open manner, with no fences or other hindrances that would impede pedestrian accessibility.
  32. At the time of Final Map, all references to a "PFE" (Public Facilities Easement) shall be changed to reflect the actual purpose of the easement. For example, if the easement is for utilities and a block wall, the easement should be labeled as a PUE (Public Utilities Easement) and Block Wall easement.
  33. The Emergency Vehicle Access (EVA) is allowed on G Street as a temporary access only. The design of the EVA shall be approved by the Fire, Engineering, and Planning Departments. Pedestrian access should be implemented into the EVA.
  34. Once Palisades Drive and Foothill Drive are constructed which provides secondary access into the subdivision, the EVA shall be abandoned at the owner's expense.
  35. All easements shall be large enough to provide room for all utilities without utilities being placed underneath the City sidewalk.

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36. The Tentative Map shows the EVA as “Lot A” and the 3.10 acres at the eastern edge of the subdivision as “Lot A”. This shall be corrected on the final map so that there is no duplication of the lot designations.
37. Access to Lot A (at the eastern edge of the subdivision) as shown on VTSM #1291 (Modified) shall be provided from this subdivision. The exact location of the access point shall be determined when development occurs on Lot A.
38. The location of the pump station shown on the park/basin parcel is not approved. The exact location of the pump station will be determined prior to the first final map.
39. The cul-de-sacs at Court E and Court L shall be open-ended cul-de-sacs providing access to F Street.
40. The owner shall work with the City of Merced to obtain the additional right of way needed for the southern portion of Merrill Place.
41. The area shown as Lot A for the Emergency Vehicle Access on the tentative map shall be re-labeled due to duplication with the area to the east of the subdivision also shown as Lot A.
42. The Emergency Vehicle Access (EVA) Easement area shall be dedicated to the City. If sewer and water main lines are to be placed this area, a public utilities easement shall be maintained upon vacation of the EVA.
43. The EVA area may remain open to allow pedestrian access to the subdivision from G Street if the developer desires to do so after it is no longer needed as an EVA. However, if the pedestrian access is not maintained or problems arise with the use of the access area, it shall be the responsibility of the developer/subdivider to install the block wall in this area.
44. “F” Street shall have a 94-foot-wide right-of-way to include the 74-foot-wide collector road and a 10-foot-wide easement. All walls, landscaping, and utilities shall be included in this easement area.

Upon motion by Commissioner PADILLA, seconded by Commissioner HARRIS, and carried by the following vote:

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AYES: Commissioners Camper, Drexel, Harris, Padilla, Rashe, and  
Chairperson Dylina

NOES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Martinez

ABSTAIN: None

**April 3, 2019:** At their regularly scheduled meeting of April 3, 2019, the  
Planning Commission approved the Extension of Vesting Tentative Map  
#1291 (“Bright Homes”) for one year (to January 16, 2020).

Upon motion by Commissioner PADILLA, seconded by Commissioner  
HARRIS, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Drexel, Harris, Martinez, Padilla, Rashe, and  
Chairperson Dylina

NOES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Camper

ABSTAIN: None

**June 3, 2019:** At their regularly scheduled City Council meeting of June 3,  
2019, the City Council considered the Appeal to the Planning Commission’s  
decision to approve the Extension of Vesting Tentative Map #1291 (“Bright  
Homes”) by Rick Telegan and denied the appeal with the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: BLAKE, ECHEVARRIA,  
MARTINEZ, MURPHY, SERRATTO, SHELTON

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: MCLEOD



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**February 19, 2020:** At their regularly scheduled meeting of February 19, 2020, the Planning Commission approved the Extension of Vesting Tentative Map #1291 (“Bright Homes”) for one year (to January 16, 2021).

Upon motion by Commissioner DYLINA, seconded by Commissioner DELGADILLO, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Butticci, Camper, Delgadillo, Dylina, White, and Chairperson Harris

NOES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Rashe

ABSTAIN: None

**March 3, 2021:** At their regularly scheduled meeting of March 3, 2021, the Planning Commission approved the Extension of Vesting Tentative Map (VTSM) #1291 (“Bright Homes”) for one year or to January 16, 2022, in accordance with additional Findings A through E of Staff Report #21-145.

Upon motion by Commissioner WHITE, seconded by Commissioner CAMPER, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Butticci, Camper, Delgadillo, White, and Chairperson Harris

NOES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Dylina (one vacancy)

ABSTAIN: None

**COVID-19 INFORMATION AND UPDATE:**

The Merced County Department of Public Health is closely following the guidance of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and California Department of Public Health on COVID-19. Coronavirus is a type of virus that causes diseases of varying severities, ranging from the common cold to more serious respiratory disease. For more information, including the latest updates on COVID-19 testing and vaccinations, please visit: [www.countyofmerced.com/coronavirus](http://www.countyofmerced.com/coronavirus)

**MERCED COUNTY HOST COMMUNITY  
CLEAN-UP PROGRAM**

The Merced County Public Works Department will host four community cleanup events this month in Santa Nella, Snelling, Winton and Hilmar.

Community Cleanup events allow local residents to dispose of tires, appliances and other common throwaway item for a greatly reduced fee - see rates and details below.

March 6, 2021 <b>Santa Nella</b> West Comet Road & Venus Circle	March 13, 2021 <b>Snelling</b> Henderson Park
March 20, 2021 <b>Winton</b> Santa Fe Drive & Winton Way	March 27, 2021 <b>Hilmar</b> Community Center

Carloads of discards will be charged \$1.00, while pick-ups, vans, and station wagons will be \$2.00. Smaller, single-axle trailers less than 8 feet will be charged \$3.00, while 8-foot trailers and 1-ton trucks will be charged \$4.00. Trucks over 1 ton and trailers over 8 feet will **not** be accepted, no exceptions.

Please note MCAG and Regional Waste Authority are not affiliated with the Merced County Public Works department.

For more information on Community Clean-Up events please visit:

[www.co.merced.ca.us/3205/Community-Cleanup](http://www.co.merced.ca.us/3205/Community-Cleanup)

**OPEN SEATS FOR MEASURE V  
CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

MCAG is seeking applicants for appointment to the Citizens Oversight Committee (COC). The Citizens Oversight Committee (COC) was created as a result of the passage of Measure V in 2016. Its main function is to review the local, half-cent transportation tax expenditures to ensure they conform to the Measure V Expenditure Plan approved by Merced County voters.

Committee members are appointed by the MCAG Governing Board to serve two-year terms. Each COC member may serve up to eight years, if reappointed. The COC meets quarterly at the MCAG office in Merced; all meetings are open to the public, governed by the Brown Act and currently being scheduled to be held via zoom. Committee members are volunteers and receive no compensation.

Current COC vacancies include representatives in the following areas:

- Major Private Sector Employer
- City of Livingston
- City of Gustine

Applications and additional information about Measure V are available on the Measure V website: [www.mcagov.org/measurev](http://www.mcagov.org/measurev) or via email at [info@mcagov.org](mailto:info@mcagov.org)



## MARCH MEETINGS & EVENTS

- 03/05** CAC meeting, 8:30 am
- 03/06** HHW Event, Los Banos, 7:00 am - 2:00 pm
- 03/06** Community Cleanup, Santa Nella
- 03/10** Technical Review Board meeting, 12:00 pm
- 03/13** Community Cleanup, Snelling
- 03/15** Measure V - COC meeting, 3:00 pm
- 03/18** Governing Board meeting, 3:00 pm
- 03/20** Atwater Spring Cleanup
- 03/20** Community Cleanup, Winton
- 03/27** Community Cleanup, Hilmar

Please note: All MCAG meetings will be held via Zoom until further notice. The call-in number and passcode will be located on the cover of each agenda. To access the agendas for the meetings listed, please visit: [www.mcagov.org/agendacenter](http://www.mcagov.org/agendacenter)

For more information about these meetings, please contact Eva Garibay at: [eva.garibay@mcagov.org](mailto:eva.garibay@mcagov.org)

## YARTS OFFERING FREE PASSES FOR MERCED AND MARIPOSA COUNTY RESIDENTS

Residents who live in Merced or Mariposa County can apply to receive free YARTS



Highway 140 roundtrip tickets. Requests will be fulfilled until all tickets are issued or June 30th, 2021, whichever comes first. Tickets do not expire. For more information about the program, please visit: [www.yarts.com/LCTOP](http://www.yarts.com/LCTOP).

## THE BUS IS CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF SERVICE

The Bus invites the community to participate in the 25th Anniversary celebration of consolidated transit in Merced County!



All year long, The Bus will host virtual activities for our passengers and the general public. The celebratory events and fun activities will include giveaways, challenges and more!

For more information follow us on Facebook at: Merced The Bus or visit: [www.mercedthebus.com](http://www.mercedthebus.com).

**Thank you for riding with us Merced County!**



MERCED COUNTY

# RWA

REGIONAL WASTE AUTHORITY

WE'LL KEEP PUSHING.

Monday-Saturday  
7:00 AM - 3:30 PM

### HIGHWAY 59 LANDFILL

7040 N. Highway 59  
Merced, CA 95348  
Phone: 209-723-4481

**Monday - Saturday**  
**7:00 am - 3:30 pm**

### BILLY WRIGHT LANDFILL

17173 S Billy Wright Road  
Los Banos, CA 95348  
Phone: 209-826-1163

**Monday - Saturday:**  
**7:00 am - 3:30 pm**

For more information about Regional Waste Authority please visit: [www.mcrwma.org](http://www.mcrwma.org) or download the 'Merced Recycles' app on the App store and Google play.



# MeasureV

## MARCH 2021 - UPDATE

Measure V, Merced County's ½ cent transportation sales tax, was passed by Merced County voters with 71% approval in November 2016. In an effort to keep the community informed about this transformative 30 year measure, MCAG will feature monthly updates in this newsletter. You can also visit [www.mcagov.org/measureV](http://www.mcagov.org/measureV) for the latest!

The 30-year Measure, which commenced in April of 2017, allocates 50% of all its revenue to the cities of Merced, Los Banos, Gustine, Atwater, Livingston and Dos Palos, along with the County of Merced, to pay for local transportation projects including roads, bike paths, and sidewalks. Regional transportation projects located on both the east and west sides of the county receive 44% of the funding with five percent reserved for public transit purposes. MCAG receives one percent of the monies to administer all fiduciary and reporting requirements.

Over the past three years, local jurisdictions have made steady progress on several Measure V projects around the county. The City of Merced has completed multiple projects that have extended the longevity of its streets, and roads. Currently, the City is putting the finishing touches on the R Street Overlay Project. The \$1,423,628 project was funded using the City's local and alternative modes Measure V funds and \$600,693 from the City's general funds. The R Street Overlay project included roadway pulverization, cement/lime treatment, asphalt concrete, curb and gutter, concrete handicap ramps, concrete sidewalk, driveway approaches, traffic loops, and pavement modification from Loughborough Drive to Yosemite Avenue. The project is scheduled to be completed by the end of February.

### HAVE YOU SPOTTED MEASURE V AT WORK IN MERCED COUNTY?

Snap a picture and send it to [measurev@mcagov.org](mailto:measurev@mcagov.org) or tag us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter

@mcag\_merced

or use the hashtag

#MeasureV\_mcag



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**HAZARDOUS MATERIALS**

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE  
COLLECTION EVENT

**LOS BANOS FAIRGROUNDS**

403 F STREET  
LOS BANOS, CA 93635

In conjunction with the City of Los Banos Fall Cleanup Event

**7:00 AM - 2:00 PM**



**YARD**

INSECT SPRAY • PESTICIDES  
FERTILIZERS • WEED KILLERS  
HERBICIDES • POOL CHEMICALS  
BAIT OR POISON FOR RODENTS



**HOME**

BATTERIES • AEROSOL CANS • CFL BULBS  
DRAIN CLEANERS • MOTH BALLS  
AMMONIA BASED CLEANERS  
OVEN CLEANERS • BAIT/POISON  
SPOT REMOVERS



**GARAGE**

ANTIFREEZE • MOTOR OIL • OIL FILTERS  
BRAKE FLUID • GREASE • BATTERIES  
CHEMICALS • WOOD PRESERVATIVES  
PAINT • PAINT REMOVER  
ITEMS CONTAINING MERCURY  
FLUORESCENT LAMPS AND TUBES

**We do not accept:**

Medical waste • Radioactive materials  
Large, compressed gas cylinders  
Agricultural waste • Explosives • Munitions  
Waste from large-quantity generators

**Restrictions and Fees**

Disposal of most household hazardous material is free; however, there are quantity restrictions and/or small fees associated with some items, particularly for 'conditionally-exempt small-quantity generators'.

Please contact Clean Harbors in advance at [roa.renea@cleanharbors.com](mailto:roa.renea@cleanharbors.com) or (916) 396-1505 for more information.

FOR DETAILS VISIT [WWW.YARTS.COM/LCTOP](http://WWW.YARTS.COM/LCTOP)

# TAKE YARTS TO YOSEMITE OR MERCED FOR **FREE**

**ALL MERCED & MARIPOSA COUNTY RESIDENTS**

**+** can request free round-trip tickets  
to Yosemite or Merced on YARTS!

This program made possible through funding from the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP)



# YARTS