



THE WEEKLY COUNCIL INFORMATION REPORT

April 16, 2021

INSPECTION SERVICES DIVISION: BUILDING A TEAM

The City of Merced Inspection Services Division is generating a record-breaking number of permits issued for the past three years, and the trend is continuing through this year. This translates to all of the development everyone is seeing around town, which includes new single-family dwellings, and new commercial and tenant improvement projects. In order to get the job done, the division recently hired new full-time staff, and existing staff members are advancing their careers in order to better serve the community and the organization.

MEET THE MAN BEHIND THE NUMBERS – DANNY BROWN



Danny Brown (pictured above) serves as Plans Examiner II and recently received his Certified Building Official Certification. You may have noticed in prior CI packets, Inspection Services biweekly reports containing permit data, projects in review, and projects receiving Certificate of Occupancy. Mr. Brown has been providing these reports for the past few years. He joined our team as a Plans Examiner I in June 2017. Mr. Brown has a

variety of both work history and education, including an ICC Certification for California Residential Inspector. Since 2017, Danny has also obtained ICC Certifications for Residential Plans Examiner, Residential Fire Sprinkler Inspector/Plans Examiner, and Building Plans Examiner. He has put those certifications to good use by advancing to Plans Examiner II and acting as lead for fire related permits, reviews, and inspections. Danny also provides training and performs field inspections.

Congratulations, Danny Brown, CBO!

MEET PLANS EXAMINER - JAVI VALENCIA



Javier “Javi” Valencia serves as Plans Examiner. Javi joined the Inspection Services team in April 2020, bringing his experience as a Plans Examiner from Tuolumne County and his ICC California Residential Building Inspector Certification. Since then, Javi has been lead plans examiner for solar and smaller residential projects. He also performs field inspections when required and is moving towards

more complex residential projects. Javi recently obtained his ICC Residential Plans Examiner certification.

Congratulations, Javi, for obtaining your latest certification and furthering your career with the City of Merced!

MEET DEVELOPMENT SERVICES TECHNICIAN - CORINA FALASCHI



Corina Falaschi serves as Development Services Technician. Corina joins us with 18 years of experience as a Permit Technician/Building Permit Technician. Ms. Falaschi’s background consists of working for consultants, providing services to jurisdictions, and previously working for the City of Long Beach. She earned her ICC Permit Technician certification over five years ago and has been working in her current position through a consultant contract for more than 1.5 years. Corina is a local resident, and the organization is fortunate to have her and the years of experience she brings to the City of Merced Inspection Services team.

Welcome on board, Corina!

NEW LOCAL HIRE – JORDAN ARRIOLA



The Inspection Services Division is pleased to hire a local resident. Meet the City’s newest Building Inspector, Jordan Arriola. Mr. Arriola was born and raised in Merced. He began his new position this month with the City of Merced team and brings with him six years of experience in the construction industry, as well as experience as Building Inspector with Madera County, and his ICC Residential Building Inspector certification. Jordan hopes to stay local and advance his career with the City of Merced, with plans for more certifications in the near future.

We are happy to have Jordan on our team!

CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL - DENISE FRAZIER



Denise Frazier has served as the Chief Building Official since April 2018. During that time, Mrs. Frazier projected the City was on track to issue over 3,000 permits that year, something the City hasn’t seen in more than a decade, and she hit the nail on the head!

CELEBRATE EARTH DAY WITH PARKS & REC AND YOUTH COUNCIL

EARTH DAY

The Parks & Recreation Department is hosting an Earth Day celebratory event at Applegate Park Zoo during the week of April 22 – April 25. There will be a plant scavenger hunt scheduled throughout the week during regular zoo hours. On April 24th, the City's Zoo Plant Specialist will provide an Educational Plants conversation on the Venus Flytrap plants during special times. Venus Flytrap plants will be on display for families to view. In addition, a live bear feeding demonstration with Zookeeper Josh is scheduled at 2:30 p.m. on the 24th. As families complete the scavenger hunt, Earth Day prizes will be handed out by volunteers.



KITS FOR KIDS

The Merced Youth Council is hosting their 3rd Kits for Kids event on April 24th at 1:00 p.m. The Youth Council is promoting Earth Day, offering families gardening kits for outdoor activities. The event will be held via drive-thru and the Youth Council is expecting to hand out 300 bags (1 bag per vehicle) at the Youth Sports Complex. Kits will include pots, soil, seeds, and water conservation and recycling swag.



The full-page flyers for both events are attached.

MFD VERTICLE VENTILATION SKILLS TRAINING

This week, several fire staff participated in vertical ventilation skills training. The purpose of the training is to remove hot gases and smoke from the upper portions of a building and to allow increased visibility and lowered temperatures inside the building.



UPDATES FROM THE MERCED POLICE DEPARTMENT

IT IS NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS WEEK

During the week of April 11th - April 17th, we honor the telecommunications personnel in the public safety field.

Thank you to all the individuals who commit to their critical and demanding profession in serving our community. These individuals are the person behind our emergency calls. If it weren't for the telecommunicators flawlessly doing their jobs, many lives would be lost due to untimely assistance.

The Police Department encourages everyone to celebrate this special week and honor those who make sacrifices to better our community.

The Merced Police Department thanks all telecommunications personnel for their dedication and service!

AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH



The Merced Police officers held “pop-up” events throughout the City to provide the public a photo opportunity with our Autism Awareness vehicles.

Check out MPD’s social media for the next opportunity!



**THANK YOU,
DISPATCHERS!**

The unsung heroes of public safety

MEET OUR NEWEST RESERVE OFFICERS



Chief Cavallero had the pleasure of swearing in two new Reserve Officers on April 13th.

Dustin Thompson was born and raised in Livingston. He graduated from the Merced College Reserve Academy in May 2020. For the last two years, he has worked as a Community Service Officer for the Merced College Police Department. His long-term goal is to become a Police Officer.

Jessica Flaherty was born and raised in Merced. She graduated from the Merced College Reserve Academy in May 2020 and worked as a Reserve Officer with the Gustine Police Department before coming to the Merced Police Department. Her long-term goal is to become a Police Officer.

THE DOWNTOWN BEAT

The Police Department has been busy in downtown Merced addressing blight issues and building relationships. The reaction from citizens has been extremely positive and the business community has been very appreciative of the effort.

We hope to make the Downtown Beat a permanent position in the future.



MPD OFFICERS ATTEND MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR RETIRED POLICE CHIEF RUSS THOMAS

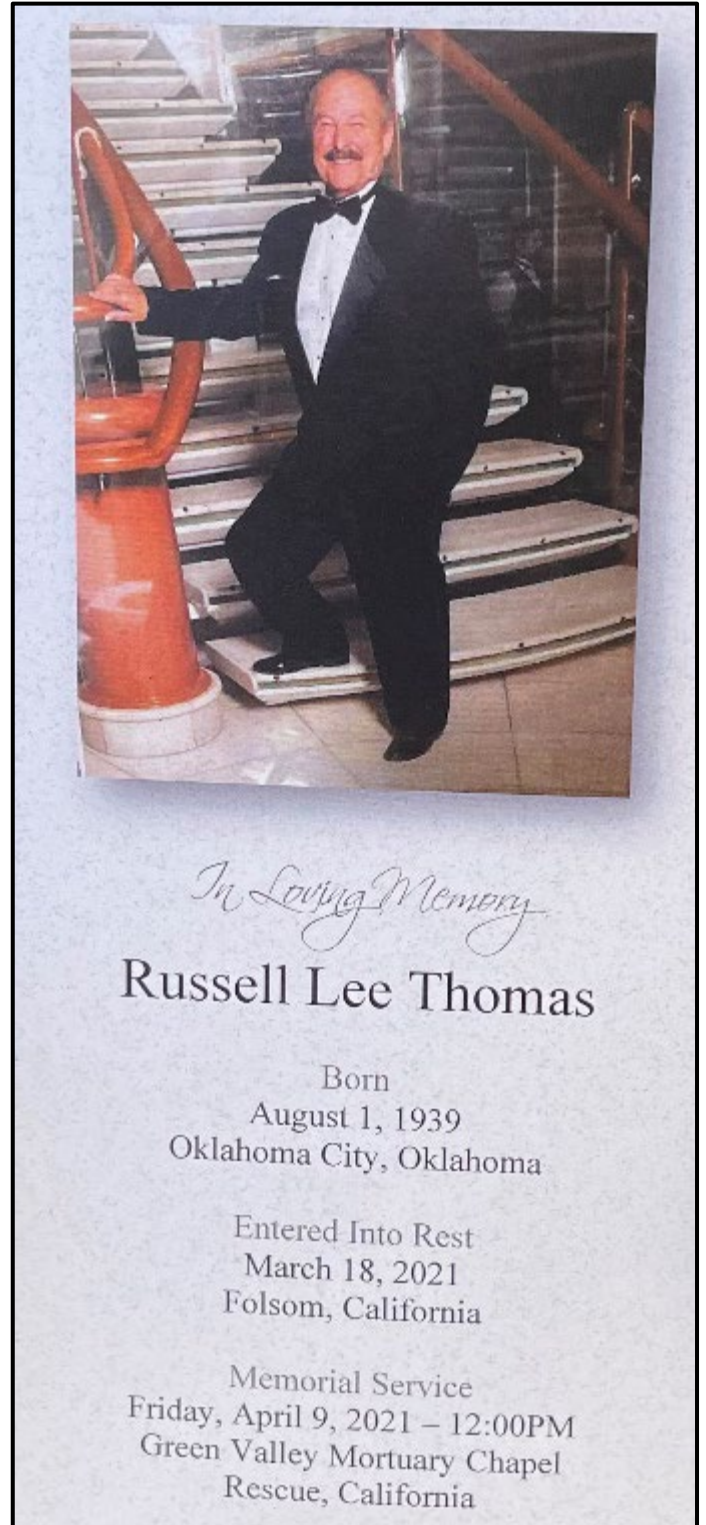
Chief Cavallero sent a detail of officers to attend the memorial service for Retired Merced Police Chief Russ Thomas on April 9, 2021.

Chief Thomas came to us from Fort Brag in 2006 and served the Merced Community for 3 years before his retirement in 2009. He was well respected in the community and by all who worked with him and knew him.

Chief Thomas will be profoundly missed. Our hearts and prayers go out to his family during this difficult time, and also to his MPD family.



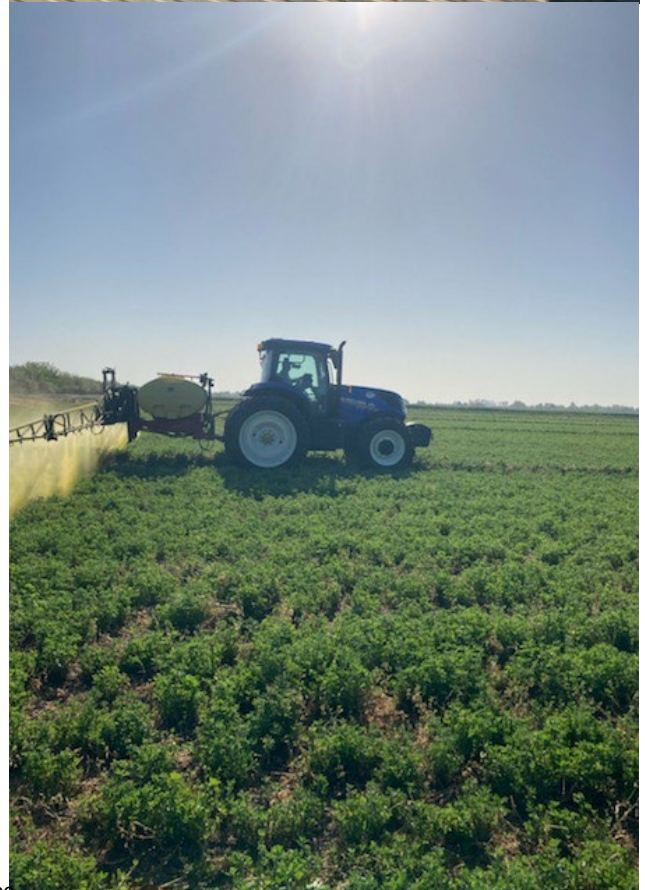
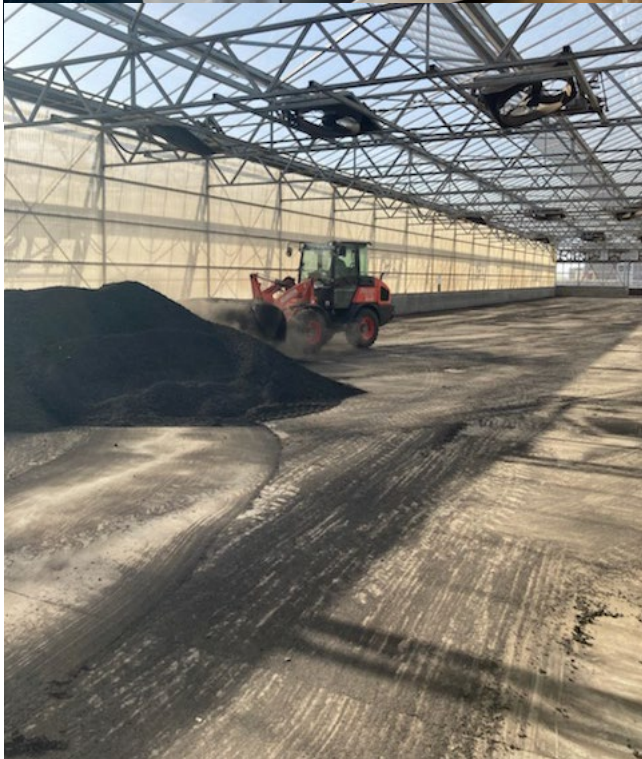
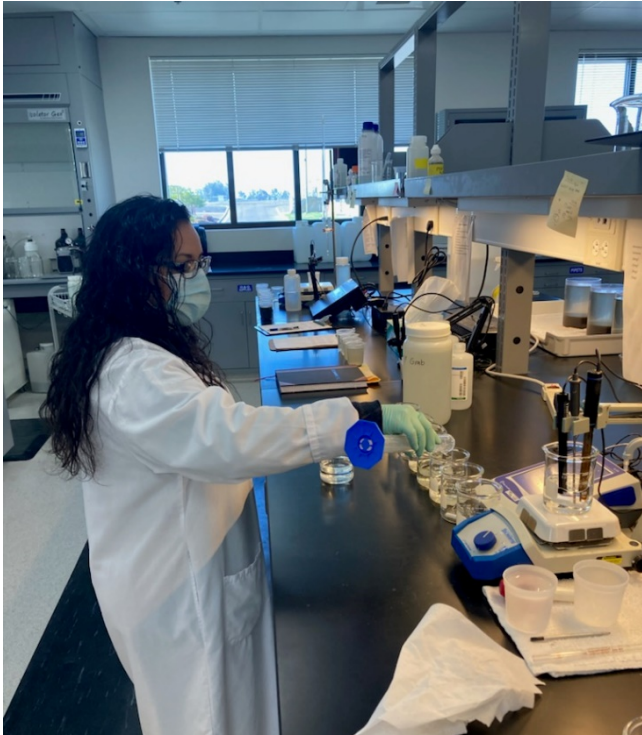
Gone
but never
forgotten



PUBLIC WORKS IN ACTION

THE WORLD OF OUR WWTP

Photographs on this page capture the Public Works Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) employees fixated on their assignments at the WWTP lab, land application fields, and outside the plant this week.



TREE TRIMMING ON “N” STREET COMPLETED

Tree Crews completed the trimming and cleanup of palm trees along N Street.



PARKS CREW AT WORK

Parks Division staff located and repaired irrigation along Main Street.



SEWER CREW AT WORK

The Sewer Division crew investigated the catch basin and performed repairs at the intersection of Childs Avenue and M Street.

BEFORE:



AFTER:



Crews also inspected new sewer and storm drain installation near Arrow Wood Drive and Freemark Avenue.

ARROW WOOD:



FREEMARK:



TREE PRUNING CONTINUES

Contracted tree pruning services continued this week, with crews completing the pruning and removal of eucalyptus trees along the creek within the Fahrens II district.



Trimming and removal continued in the Davenport district this week.



ILLEGAL DUMPING AND OTHER CLEANUPS

Public Works Refuse crews continue to clear illegal dumping this week. Pictured below is Wednesday's cleanup near the Loughborough area.



COMMUNITY CLEANUP EVENT

Refuse crews previously assisted with the community cleanup event on April 3rd.



CHILDS AVE & B STREET PROJECT UPDATE

Construction is underway at the Childs and B Affordable Housing Project. Several buildings are now shaping up at the project site. The development is going vertical with residential units clearly visible.

The project is scheduled to be completed in Spring 2022. Project planning, financing, and entitlements have been underway since 2017. The new development will provide 119 units with 30 dedicated for permanent supportive uses.

Site amenities available to residents including a tot play area, community garden, and pool. Additionally, community facilities will be integrated for public use. Those facilities will provide a location for community services and classes.

Childs and B is more than just housing. A new community park and regional storm drain basin will be constructed adjacent to the project location. These amenities are able to be provided due to funding from the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities Grant Program. An electrified bus was made possible through this grant which will be provided by the Merced County Transit Authority, The Bus. Other pedestrian improvements will include sidewalks, the installation of ADA compliant ramps, and a variety of bicycle amenities. The goal is a more walkable and accessible neighborhood. Other work entails the reconstruction of B Street, replacement of the water line, and improvements at the intersection of Childs and B.

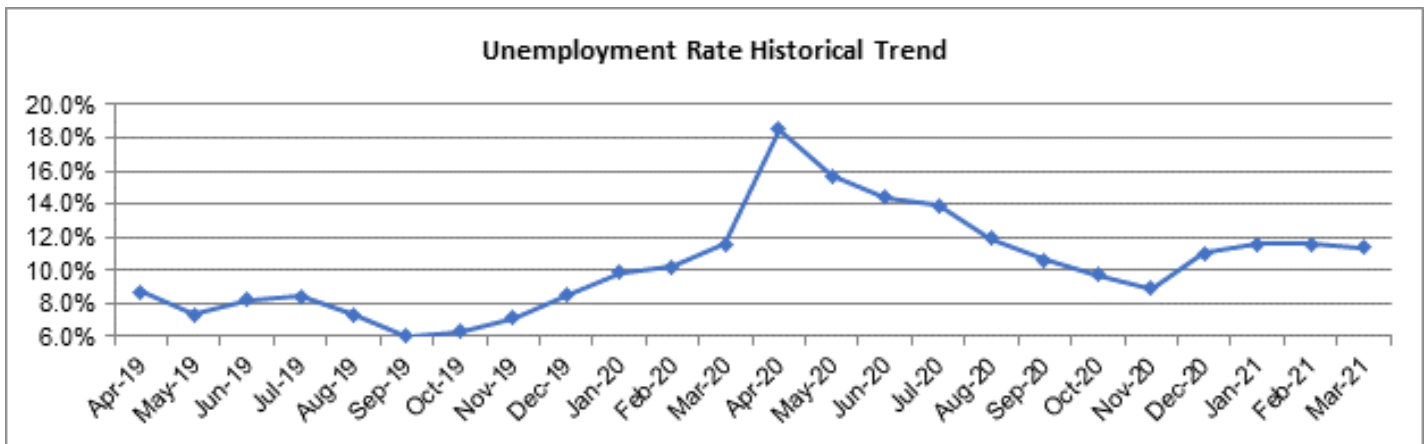
The City has provided the following to support this nearly \$50 million-dollar project:

- HOME (CHDO) \$1,145,000
- Housing Successor Agency (HSA) \$1,200,000
- City Enterprise Funds – for offsite improvements \$1,470,000
- HUD Section 108 – will be considered for conversation to CDBG PI - \$2,000,000



MERCED COUNTY LABOR MARKET INFORMATION – MARCH 2021

The unemployment rate in the Merced County was 11.4% in March 2021, down from a revised 11.6% in February 2021, and below the year-ago estimate of 11.6%. This compares with an unadjusted unemployment rate of 8.2% for California and 6.2% for the nation during the same period.



A copy of the LMI report is attached.

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA 4/21/21

Please find attached, the Planning Commission Agenda for the meeting of 4/21/21.

REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE

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Earth Day

At Applegate Park Zoo!

Spend Earth Day with us and enjoy a fun kids activity and scavenger hunt on April 22!

Come to our educational plant talks about **Venus Flytrap plants** on April 24th by one of our Zoo Plant Specialists!

Special live **bear** feeding on April 24th at 2:30pm with Zoo Keeper Josh

Earth Day Plant Scavenger Hunt will continue from April 22nd-April 25th



**MERCED YOUTH COUNCIL
PRESENTS:**

KITS FOR KIDS

FREE DRIVE-THRU EVENT

Gardening Gloves
Biodegradable Pots
Gardening Tools
Planting Seeds
Limited Supplies

**PROMOTING GREENERY FOR
EARTH DAY**

**APRIL 24TH, 2021
1 PM**

**MERCED YOUTH SPORTS COMPLEX
1800 WARDROBE AVE MERCED, CA 95341**

*One per vehicle



@MercedYouth



@MercedYouthCouncil

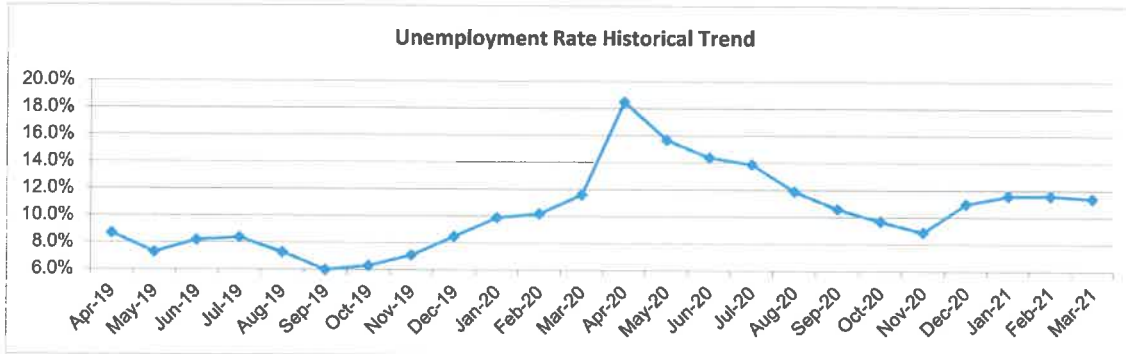


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IMMEDIATE RELEASE
 MERCED METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)
 (Merced County)

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Industry	Feb-2021	Mar-2021	Change		Mar-2020	Mar-2021	Change
	Revised	Prelim				Prelim	
Total, All Industries	79,000	79,800	800		83,000	79,800	(3,200)
Total Farm	12,600	12,300	(300)		12,000	12,300	300
Total Nonfarm	66,400	67,500	1,100		71,000	67,500	(3,500)
Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,500	2,600	100		2,700	2,600	(100)
Manufacturing	10,100	10,200	100		9,200	10,200	1,000
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	13,200	13,200	0		13,000	13,200	200
Information	200	200	0		300	200	(100)
Financial Activities	1,800	1,800	0		1,800	1,800	0
Professional & Business Services	4,000	3,900	(100)		4,500	3,900	(600)
Educational & Health Services	10,100	10,300	200		10,800	10,300	(500)
Leisure & Hospitality	5,400	5,600	200		6,200	5,600	(600)
Other Services	1,200	1,300	100		1,400	1,300	(100)
Government	17,900	18,400	500		21,100	18,400	(2,700)

Notes: Data not adjusted for seasonality. Data may not add due to rounding
 Labor force data are revised month to month
 Additional data are available on line at www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov

Merced MSA
(Merced County)
 Industry Employment & Labor Force
 March 2020 Benchmark

Data Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Mar 20	Jan 21	Feb 21 Revised	Mar 21 Prelim	Percent Change	
					Month	Year
Civilian Labor Force (1)	118,800	113,900	116,000	115,100	-0.8%	-3.1%
Civilian Employment	105,000	100,700	102,500	101,900	-0.6%	-3.0%
Civilian Unemployment	13,800	13,200	13,500	13,100	-3.0%	-5.1%
Civilian Unemployment Rate (CA Unemployment Rate)	11.6%	11.6%	11.6%	11.4%		
(U.S. Unemployment Rate)	5.1%	9.2%	8.4%	8.2%		
	4.5%	6.8%	6.6%	6.2%		
Total, All Industries (2)	83,000	77,900	79,000	79,800	1.0%	-3.9%
Total Farm	12,000	12,200	12,600	12,300	-2.4%	2.5%
Total Nonfarm	71,000	65,700	66,400	67,500	1.7%	-4.9%
Total Private	49,900	48,200	48,500	49,100	1.2%	-1.6%
Goods Producing	11,900	12,500	12,600	12,800	1.6%	7.6%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,700	2,500	2,500	2,600	4.0%	-3.7%
Manufacturing	9,200	10,000	10,100	10,200	1.0%	10.9%
Nondurable Goods	7,700	8,600	8,600	8,700	1.2%	13.0%
Service Providing	59,100	53,200	53,800	54,700	1.7%	-7.4%
Private Service Providing	38,000	35,700	35,900	36,300	1.1%	-4.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	13,000	13,300	13,200	13,200	0.0%	1.5%
Wholesale Trade	1,100	1,000	1,000	1,000	0.0%	-9.1%
Retail Trade	8,200	8,600	8,500	8,500	0.0%	3.7%
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	3,700	3,700	3,700	3,700	0.0%	0.0%
Information	300	200	200	200	0.0%	-33.3%
Financial Activities	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	0.0%	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	4,500	4,100	4,000	3,900	-2.5%	-13.3%
Educational & Health Services	10,800	10,100	10,100	10,300	2.0%	-4.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	6,200	5,000	5,400	5,600	3.7%	-9.7%
Other Services	1,400	1,200	1,200	1,300	8.3%	-7.1%
Government	21,100	17,500	17,900	18,400	2.8%	-12.8%
Federal Government	800	800	800	800	0.0%	0.0%
State & Local Government	20,300	16,700	17,100	17,600	2.9%	-13.3%
State Government	4,400	3,400	3,700	3,800	2.7%	-13.6%
State Government Education	3,800	2,800	3,100	3,200	3.2%	-15.8%
State Government Excluding Education	600	600	600	600	0.0%	0.0%
Local Government	15,900	13,300	13,400	13,800	3.0%	-13.2%
Local Government Excluding Education	4,100	3,800	3,800	4,000	5.3%	-2.4%
Special Districts plus Indian Tribes	600	600	600	600	0.0%	0.0%

Notes:

(1) Civilian labor force data are by place of residence; include self-employed individuals, unpaid family workers, household domestic workers, & workers on strike. Data may not add due to rounding. The unemployment rate is calculated using unrounded data.

(2) Industry employment is by place of work; excludes self-employed individuals, unpaid family workers, household domestic workers, & workers on strike. Data may not add due to rounding.

These data are produced by the Labor Market Information Division of the California Employment Development Department (EDD). Questions should be directed to: Steven Gutierrez 559-230-4102 or Frances Gines 951-955-3204

These data, as well as other labor market data, are available via the Internet at <http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov>. If you need assistance, please call (916) 262-2162.

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REPORT 400 C
Monthly Labor Force Data for Counties
March 2021 - Preliminary
 Data Not Seasonally Adjusted

COUNTY	RANK BY RATE	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	RATE
STATE TOTAL	---	18,912,300	17,361,100	1,551,200	8.2%
ALAMEDA	15	804,600	752,500	52,100	6.5%
ALPINE	30	610	560	50	7.6%
AMADOR	24	14,460	13,390	1,070	7.4%
BUTTE	27	92,800	85,900	6,900	7.5%
CALAVERAS	9	21,280	19,930	1,350	6.3%
COLUSA	57	10,480	8,860	1,620	15.4%
CONTRA COSTA	20	536,700	500,400	36,300	6.8%
DEL NORTE	39	9,290	8,510	770	8.3%
EL DORADO	9	91,000	85,200	5,700	6.3%
FRESNO	48	438,300	394,700	43,600	9.9%
GLENN	23	12,740	11,810	930	7.3%
HUMBOLDT	19	59,900	55,900	4,000	6.7%
IMPERIAL	58	65,100	54,900	10,200	15.7%
INYO	11	8,310	7,780	540	6.4%
KERN	53	368,500	327,600	40,900	11.1%
KINGS	51	55,200	49,400	5,800	10.5%
LAKE	35	29,180	26,860	2,320	7.9%
LASSEN	16	9,430	8,800	620	6.6%
LOS ANGELES	52	5,103,400	4,548,200	555,100	10.9%
MADERA	46	60,600	54,800	5,900	9.7%
MARIN	1	131,300	125,100	6,200	4.8%
MARIPOSA	45	6,690	6,060	630	9.4%
MENDOCINO	22	36,510	33,920	2,590	7.1%
MERCED	54	115,100	101,900	13,100	11.4%
MODOC	42	3,230	2,940	290	8.9%
MONO	32	8,160	7,530	640	7.8%
MONTEREY	50	206,800	185,200	21,600	10.4%
NAPA	16	68,400	63,900	4,500	6.6%
NEVADA	8	46,610	43,750	2,850	6.1%
ORANGE	11	1,541,900	1,443,300	98,600	6.4%
PLACER	5	185,400	175,200	10,200	5.5%
PLUMAS	56	7,250	6,380	870	12.0%
RIVERSIDE	31	1,115,300	1,029,800	85,500	7.7%
SACRAMENTO	24	707,900	655,600	52,300	7.4%
SAN BENITO	38	31,300	28,700	2,600	8.2%
SAN BERNARDINO	32	979,400	902,700	76,700	7.8%
SAN DIEGO	21	1,538,200	1,432,600	105,700	6.9%
SAN FRANCISCO	4	542,500	513,100	29,500	5.4%
SAN JOAQUIN	43	333,300	302,600	30,700	9.2%
SAN LUIS OBISPO	6	130,300	122,700	7,600	5.8%
SAN MATEO	2	426,200	404,900	21,300	5.0%
SANTA BARBARA	16	214,600	200,500	14,200	6.6%
SANTA CLARA	3	1,013,000	961,300	51,700	5.1%
SANTA CRUZ	37	129,800	119,200	10,600	8.1%
SHASTA	27	73,500	68,000	5,500	7.5%
SIERRA	27	1,300	1,200	100	7.5%
SISKIYOU	44	16,650	15,110	1,550	9.3%
SOLANO	32	202,000	186,300	15,700	7.8%
SONOMA	7	241,000	226,600	14,400	6.0%
STANISLAUS	41	238,200	217,200	21,100	8.8%
SUTTER	49	44,000	39,500	4,500	10.1%
TEHAMA	35	25,240	23,240	2,000	7.9%
TRINITY	24	4,450	4,120	330	7.4%
TULARE	55	193,700	171,300	22,400	11.6%
TUOLUMNE	39	19,740	18,110	1,630	8.3%
VENTURA	11	406,600	380,500	26,100	6.4%
YOLO	11	105,700	98,900	6,800	6.4%
YUBA	46	29,300	26,500	2,800	9.7%

Notes

- 1) Data may not add due to rounding. The unemployment rate is calculated using unrounded data.
- 2) Labor force data for all geographic areas now reflect the March 2020 benchmark and Census 2010 population controls at the state level.



CITY OF MERCED

Merced Civic Center
678 W. 18th Street
Merced, CA 95340

Meeting Agenda

Planning Commission

Wednesday, April 21, 2021

7:00 PM

By Teleconference

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20, this meeting will be conducted by teleconference and there will be no in-person public access to the meeting location.

WELCOME TO THE MEETING OF THE MERCED PLANNING COMMISSION

At least 72 hours prior to each regular Planning Commission meeting, a complete agenda packet is available for review on the City's website at www.cityofmerced.org or at the Planning Division Office, 678 W. 18th Street, Merced, CA 95340. All public records relating to an open session item that are distributed to a majority of the Commission will be available for public inspection at the Planning Division Office during regular business hours. The Planning Commission also serves as the Board of Zoning Adjustment and the Design Review/Historic Preservation Commission.

MODIFIED PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS

MODIFIED PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS FOR TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS

Please submit your public comment to the Planning Commission electronically no later than 1 PM on the day of the meeting. Comments received before the deadline will be sent to the Planning Commission and will be part of the record and will be mentioned as part of the Public Comment portion of the agenda. Material may be emailed to planningweb@cityofmerced.org and should be limited to 300 words or less. Please specify which portion of the agenda you are commenting on, i.e. Oral Communication or item #. Any correspondence received after the 1 PM deadline will be distributed to the Planning Commission and retained for the official record.

You may provide telephonic comments via voicemail by calling (209) 388-7390 by no later than 1 PM on the day of the meeting to be added to the public comment. Voicemails will be limited to a time limit of three (3) minutes. Please specify which portion of the agenda you are commenting on, for example, Oral Communication or item #. Your comments will be played during the meeting to the Planning Commission at the appropriate time.

To view video (if available) or listen to the Planning Commission meeting live, go to the City's website www.cityofmerced.org, Facebook Live, or Comcast Public Access Channel 96.

INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

Accommodation for individuals with disabilities may be arranged by contacting the Planning Division at (209) 385-6858. Assisted hearing devices are available for meetings held in the Council Chamber.

A. CALL TO ORDER

A.1. Moment of Silence

A.2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

B. ROLL CALL

C. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Members of the public who wish to speak on any matter not listed on the agenda may provide email or voicemail comments during this portion of the meeting and should follow the guidelines posted above in the **MODIFIED PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS** to do so.

D. CONSENT CALENDAR

Adoption of the Consent Calendar may be made by one motion of the Planning Commission, provided that any Planning Commission member, individual, or organization may request removal of an item from the Consent Calendar for separate consideration (please see **MODIFIED PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS** above). If a request for removal of an item from the Consent Calendar has been received, the item will be discussed and voted on separately.

D.1 [21-329](#) **SUBJECT:** Planning Commission Minutes of April 7, 2021

ACTION:

Approving and filing the Planning Commission Minutes of April 7, 2021

D.2 21-300 **SUBJECT:** Vacation #21-03, to vacate the northern portion of the Arbor Walkway easement (approximately 2,800 square feet) which would revert development rights back to adjacent property owner of 534 W. Main Street, Merced.

ACTION:

Finding

The proposed vacation is consistent with the General Plan.

SUMMARY

The property owner of 534 W. Main Street is requesting the vacation of the northern portion of Arbor Walkway. Engineering and Planning Department staff have reviewed this request and recommend that the Planning Commission adopt a Finding stating that the proposed Vacation is consistent with the General Plan. The General Plan does not address the abandonment of easements; and thus, this action does not conflict with any General Plan policies, text, or maps, so it can be considered "consistent." The area to be vacated consists of approximately 2,800 square feet.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a motion by minute action adopting a Finding that the proposed Vacation #21-03 is consistent with the General Plan.

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ACTION ITEMS

Members of the public who wish to speak on the public hearings listed on the agenda will be heard when the Public Hearing is opened, except on Public Hearing items previously heard and closed to the public comment. After the public has commented, the item is closed to further public comment and brought to the Commission for discussion and action. Further comment will not be received unless requested by the Commission. To submit comments to the Commission, please review the **MODIFIED PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS** listed above.

E.1 21-332

SUBJECT: General Plan Amendment #21-01 and Zone Change #427, initiated by MCP, LLC, property owner. The application involves a change from the current General Plan land use designation of Low Density Residential (LD) to Low-Medium Density Residential (LMD), and a Zone Change from Low Density Residential (R-1-6) to Medium Density Residential (R-3-2) for four 0.22-acre parcels located at 565, 575, 601, and 609 Q Street. The applicant would like to develop a 4-plex on 4 separate parcels, for a total of 16 units. The current zoning designation allows for up to 3 units on 4 separate parcels, for a total of 12 units. The 0.88-acre subject sites are generally located at the west side of Q Street, directly south of West 6th Street. *PUBLIC HEARING*

ACTION: No action required, item to be tabled.

SUMMARY

Staff recommends that this item be tabled. There was an error in the original public hearing notice which incorrectly showed the proposed General Plan designation as Low-Medium Density Residential (LMD) when it should be High-Medium Density Residential (HMD). Staff has updated the Public Hearing Notice and recirculated it with the correct proposed General Plan designation to be heard at the Planning Commission Meeting of May 5, 2021.

RECOMMENDATION

Planning staff recommends that the Planning Commission open the public hearing and hear any testimony provided, then table the matter.

F. INFORMATION ITEMS

F.1 21-338 **SUBJECT:** Report by Planning Manager of Upcoming Agenda Items

ACTION

Information only.

F.2 21-339 **SUBJECT:** Calendar of Meetings/Events

- Apr. 19 City Council, 6:00 p.m. **(By Teleconference)**
- 21 Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m. **(By Teleconference)**
- 27 Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Commission, 4:00 p.m. **(By Teleconference)**
- May 3 City Council, 6:00 p.m. **(May be by Teleconference)**
- 5 Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m. **(By Teleconference)**
- 17 City Council, 6:00 p.m. **(May be by Teleconference)**
- 19 Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m. **(By Teleconference)**
- June 7 City Council, 6:00 p.m. **(May be by Teleconference)**
- 9 Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m. **(By Teleconference)**
- 21 City Council, 6:00 p.m. **(May be by Teleconference)**
- 22 Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Commission, 4:00 p.m. **(By Teleconference)**
- 23 Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m. **(By Teleconference)**

G. ADJOURNMENT