



## THE WEEKLY

# COUNCIL INFORMATION REPORT

June 3, 2022

### VALLEY CRISIS CENTER AND MERCED PD PARTNER ON ADVOCACY PROGRAM

Have you heard? The Merced Police Department is partnering with Valley Crisis Center to expand our Anti-Human Trafficking Program.

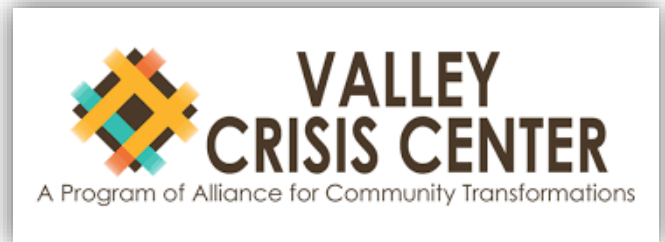
The new program will ensure survivors of human trafficking are being correctly identified and connected to services by co-locating one of Valley Crisis Center's advocates to our Central Station. The role of this advocate is to provide training for staff and community partners and support victims of human trafficking that may be identified by law enforcement.

The program will also be opening a shelter dedicated to supporting human trafficking survivors and expanding outreach efforts with additional staff who will spread awareness, education, and provide services to survivors. Since 2019, the Merced Police Department has worked with Valley Crisis Center to increase awareness and education about the dangers of human trafficking. In addition, we have collaborated on numerous events and educational opportunities at local high schools, with community partners, the Merced Bus, local fire departments, and Behavioral Health. Members of our community interested in a presentation can contact our advocate at 209-385-6912.

Human trafficking is a serious crime that can affect anyone, any age, gender, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, or religious faith. Human trafficking does not discriminate, meaning that anyone can become a victim. It is the fastest-growing crime globally, and we can't fight it alone.

Learn how you can help fight human trafficking by contacting our office or requesting to speak with our advocate at 209-385-6912. You can also contact Valley Crisis Center 24/7 @ 209-722-4357. We need to end human trafficking together!

Funding for this program is provided by a new grant from the **California Governor's Office of Emergency Services**.



### JUNE IS NATIONAL FIREWORKS SAFETY MONTH

Tune into 1480kyos.com this Saturday morning, June 4, between 7 to 10 a.m. to hear **Merced City Fire Chief, Derek Parker** talk about Fireworks Safety.

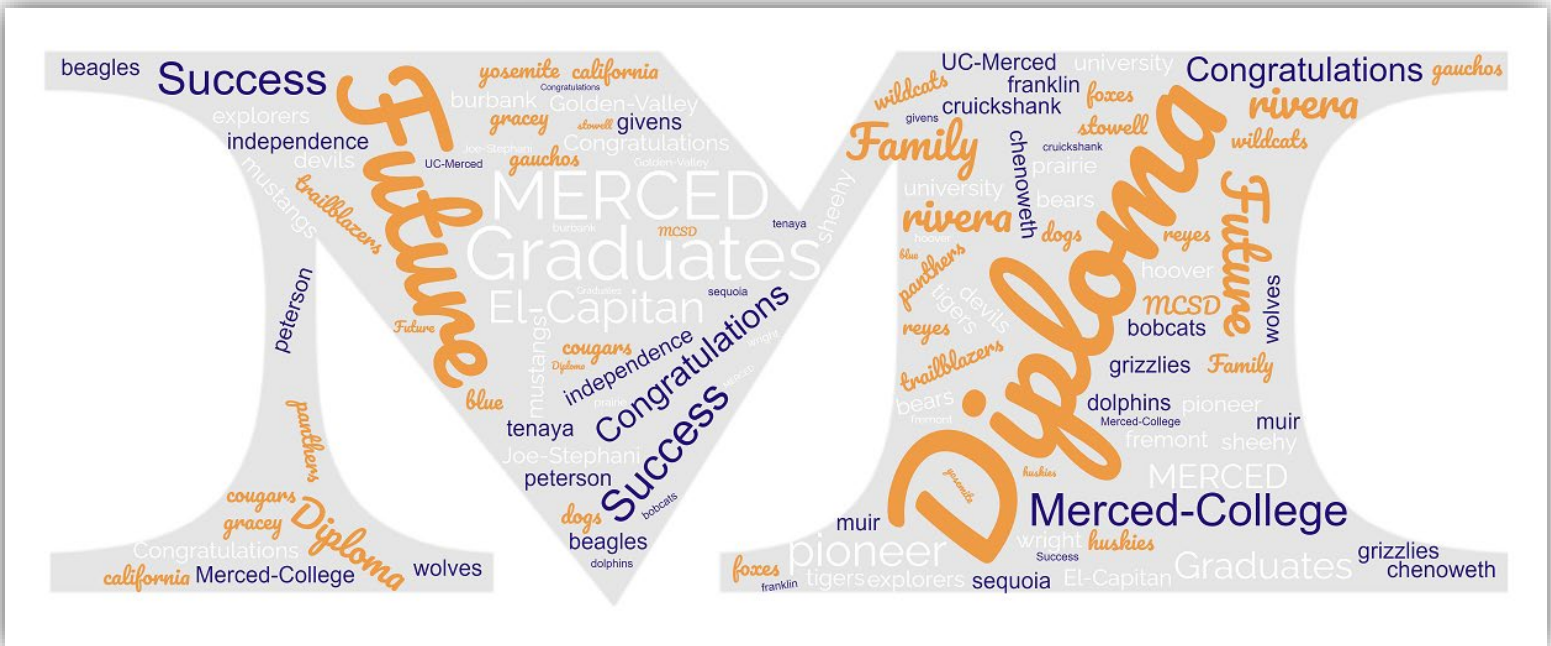
<https://www.nsc.org/home-safety/tools-resources/seasonal-safety/summer/fireworks>



### CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

Over the past few weeks, thousands of students in our community graduated from local middle schools, high schools, our community college, and university. If you are among these scholars or have a friend or family member who collected a well-deserved diploma, congratulations! You contributed to their success.

Recently, City Manager Stephanie Dietz, a Merced College alumna, was invited to celebrate the 2022 graduating class at Merced College by giving the commencement speech to a packed Blue Devil Stadium.



PUBLIC WORKS IN ACTION

Water backflow crew replaced a failing 6" Fire Service.



Tree crews trimming along Yosemite Avenue near San Jose Avenue.



The City hired contractor is continuing work to replace sections of damaged sidewalk in the Davenport Maintenance District; this week crews poured cement.



City Streets crews grinded various sidewalk locations that were not slated for replacement.



City Hall Exterior Painting Project  
RS Painting completed work this week on the City Hall Exterior Painting Project.



Parks Division added fiber to playgrounds.



#119070 -CMAQ (052) Sidewalks 7th St, 8th St and Linda Lane  
Local Construction Firm Mid Cal Pipeline & Utilities, Inc. crew  
working on demo, grading and pouring sidewalk, curb and gutter.  
This project is approximately 60% complete.



#120044 – B Street Improvements Childs Ave. to E. 15<sup>th</sup> St.  
Local Construction Firm Rolfe Construction, Inc. crew  
pouring a commercial driveway.  
This project is approximately 45% complete.

#117039 - G Street Improvements Childs Ave.  
to 13<sup>th</sup> Street (RSTP)  
Local Construction Crew Rolfe Construction  
Company, Inc. crew installing water line in the  
second alley between 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> St. on H St.  
This project is approximately 25% complete.

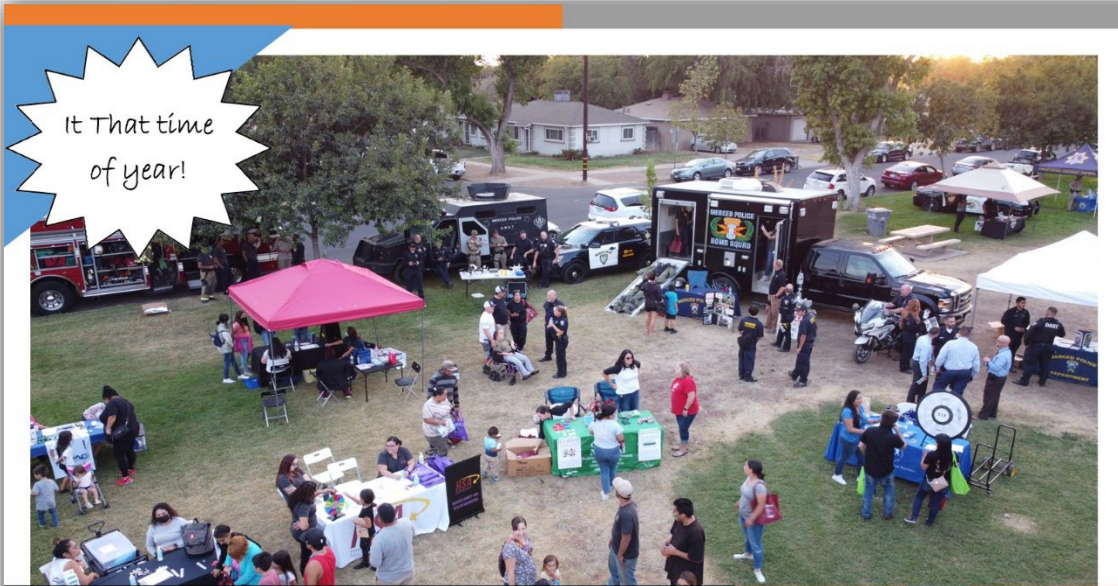




# Happy National DONUT Day!

Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> is National Donut Day! Pictured are officers of our Police Department happily celebrating the day.

**SAFE THE DATE!**  
**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT**  
Tuesday, August 2, 2022  
Applegate Park  
5:30 to 8 p.m.  
We hope to see you there!



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 2ND 2022  
TIME: 5:30-8PM  
LOCATION: APPLAGATE PARK  
LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN HOSTING A BOOTH AT THIS EVENT!  
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:  
MPD COMMUNITY LIAISON: ROSA ALCARAZ  
AT (209) 385-6297 OR EMAIL: [ALCARAZR@CITYOFMERCED.ORG](mailto:ALCARAZR@CITYOFMERCED.ORG)



# ENJOY MOVIES IN THE PARK

**MOVIES in the PARK**

**MERCED**

<p><b>Disney ENCANTO</b> May 27th Applegate Park (MOAT) W. 26th &amp; O St.</p>	<p><b>SPACE JAM</b> June 10th Joe Herb Park 2200 Yosemite Parkway</p>	<p><b>SCOOB!</b> June 24th Rahilly Park 3400 N. Parsons Ave.</p>	<p><b>Disney PIXAR SOUL</b> July 8th Youth Sports Complex 1800 Wardrobe Ave</p>	<p><b>Disney JUNGLE CRUISE</b> July 22nd Richard Bernasconi Park Via Moraga &amp; Jardin Way</p>	<p><b>Disney PIXAR LUCA</b> August 5th (Dive-In) McNamara Park 1040 Canal St.</p>
<p><b>Harry Potter AND THE SORCERER'S STONE</b> August 19th Rudolph Merino Park Pacific Dr &amp; El Redondo</p>	<p><b>MARVEL STUDIOS SPIDER-MAN No Way Home</b> September 2nd Brooks Park S. G St. &amp; W. Gerard</p>	<p><b>SING 2</b> September 16th Merced Center Garage Rooftop M &amp; 18th St</p>	<p><b>MORBIUS</b> September 30th Dwight Amey Park Blix Ave. &amp; Albert Dr.</p>	<p><b>GHOSTBUSTERS AFTERLIFE</b> October 7th Applegate Park (MOAT) W. 26th &amp; O St.</p>	<p>For more information please call (209) 385-6235 Follow us on Facebook City of Merced Parks and Recreation</p>   <p><b>Parks Make Life Better!</b></p>

**Construction Projects**

1. 117039 - G Street Improvements Childs Ave. to 13<sup>th</sup> St. (Rolfe Construction, Inc. – Atwater)
2. 119042 – CMAQ (048) John Muir Sidewalks (Avison Construction, Inc. – Madera)
3. 119070 - CMAQ (052) Sidewalks 7<sup>th</sup> St., 8<sup>th</sup> St. and Linda Ln. (Mid Cal Pipeline & Utilities, Inc. – Merced)
4. 120044 – B St. Improvements – Childs Ave. to E. 15<sup>th</sup> St. (Rolfe Construction, Inc. – Atwater)
5. 122012 – Fahrens Park Playground (Miracle Playsystems, Inc. – Alamo, CA)
6. 122049 – Dog Park (Miracle Playsystems, Inc. – Alamo, CA)
7. 122055 – Bear Creek Bike Path Embankment Repair
8. 122069 – Laura Fountain Repair

**Projects in Design**

1. 113002 - R Street - 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> Street (90%)
2. 114049 - Highway 59 and 16<sup>th</sup> Street Signal and Channelization (95%)
3. 119025 - Orchard Avenue Sewer (95%)
4. 119043 - CMAQ (049) Motel Drive (95%)
5. 119069 - CMAQ (050) Sidewalks R St., S St., and Stuart Dr. (10%)
6. 120043 - CMAQ (051) Sidewalks Olive Ave., Parsons Ave. and Alexander Ave. (90%)
7. 120003 – 18<sup>th</sup> St. – R St. to V St. (20%)
8. 120009 - Yosemite Ave. - Parsons to Mansionette (10%)
9. 120064/120065 - Highway 59 Widening & Black Rascal Creek Bridge (24%)
10. 121044 - CMAQ (055) Nottingham Sidewalks (95%)
11. 121045 - CMAQ (057) Merced North Transit Hub (95%)
12. 122013 – Regional Park and Airport Restrooms (80%)
13. 122033 – Bel Air Sewer Line (30%)
14. 122050 - R St. – Olive Ave. to Northwood Dr. (15%)

**REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

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CITY OF MERCED  
PARKS AND RECREATION

# LIFEGUARDS NEEDED

APPLY ON  
OUR WEBSITE TODAY!

After applying, be sure to become lifeguard certified!

[asaaquatics.waterpolocentral.net](http://asaaquatics.waterpolocentral.net)



**USTA NORCAL**

# TENNIS H.I.T.S.

**Honesty. Integrity. Teamwork. Sportsmanship**

**Focuses on playing, learning and having fun**

**Builds friendships and engages kids in physical activity**

**Combines learning tennis with life skills**

**SUMMER SESSION  
9AM TO 12PM|M-TH  
AGES: 6-10YRS  
LOCATION: TBD**

**Session 1: June 6th- 16th (HITS 1)  
Session 2: June 20th-30th (HITS 2)  
Session 3: July 5th-14th (HITS 1)  
Session 4: July 18th-28th (HITS 2)**



**Register at 632 W. 18th Street  
For more info. call 385-6235**



CITY OF MERCED PARKS AND RECREATION

# WE ARE RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS FOR SUMMER PROGRAMS!

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Ongoing Volunteer opportunities:

- Summer Camp
- Jr. Giants Baseball
- Tennis Hits
- Applegate Park Zoo
- Special Events and more!

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:  
EDGAR VASQUEZ  
209-385-6854  
VASQUEZE@CITYOFMERCED.ORG





# CITY OF MERCED

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

## Meeting Agenda

### Planning Commission

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Wednesday, June 8, 2022

7:00 PM

City Council Chamber, 2nd Floor, Merced Civic  
Center, 678 W. 18th Street, Merced, CA 95340

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#### NOTICE TO PUBLIC

##### 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](http://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.

##### PUBLIC COMMENT: OBTAIN SPEAKER CARD FROM THE CLERK

Members of the audience who wish to address the Planning Commission are requested to complete a speaker card available at the podium against the right-hand side of the Council Chamber. Please submit the completed card to the Clerk before the item is called, preferably before the meeting begins. Speakers will be called up, 3 to 5 at a time, in the order in which the forms are received. Please use the microphone and state your name and city of residence for the record. For permits, licenses, and other entitlements, the applicant will be allowed 15 minutes (including rebuttal), the appellant/leader of the opposition will be allowed 15 minutes (including rebuttal), and all other speakers shall have 5 minutes each, unless the number of speakers is over 3, which in that case, comments shall be limited to 3 minutes each. For all other issues, for 3 or less speakers, 5 minutes each and for over 3 speakers, 3 minutes each shall be allotted. A timer clock is located above the City Council dais illuminating the remaining time. Once the buzzer sounds, please be courteous and conclude your remarks.

Material may be emailed to [planning@web.org](mailto:planning@web.org) and should be limited to 300 words or less. Please specify which portion of the agenda you are commenting on, for example, Item # or Oral Communications. Your comments will be presented to the Planning Commission at the appropriate time. Any correspondence received after 1 PM 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 one (1) minute. Please specify which portion of the agenda you are commenting on, for example, Item #, Consent item #, or Oral Communications. Your comments will be played during the Planning Commission meeting at the appropriate time.

## 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 speak during this portion of the meeting and will be allotted 5 minutes. The Chairperson may, at their discretion, reduce the time to 3 minutes if there are more than 3 speakers, in order to accommodate as many speakers as possible. State law prohibits the Planning Commission from acting at this meeting on any matter raised during the public comment period. Members of the public who wish to speak on a matter that is listed on the agenda will be called upon to speak during discussion of that item. Please submit a Request to Speak card prior to the item being called.

### D. CONSENT CALENDAR

Adoption of the Consent Calendar may be made with 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. If a request for removal of an item from the Consent Calendar has been received, the item will be discussed and voted on separately. With Consent items, there is generally no staff presentation but staff is available for questions.

D.1 [22-464](#)      **SUBJECT:** Planning Commission Minutes of May 18, 2022

**ACTION:**

Approving and filing the Planning Commission Minutes of May 18, 2022

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Draft Minutes of May 18, 2022

### E. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ACTION ITEMS

Members of the public who wish to speak on 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 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.

**E.1** [22-398](#)

**SUBJECT:** Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map #1316 and Conditional Use Permit #1264 ("Royal Woods Subdivision") for Surinder Kaur Virk, property owner. This application involves a request to subdivide three parcels (approximately 19.50 acres) into 113 single-family lots ranging in size from 3,078 square feet to 5,465 square feet, with one 3.60-acre parcel reserved for multi-family residential, generally located on the south side of W. Cardella Road, west of El Redondo Drive, within Residential Planned Development (P-D) #57, with a General Plan designation of Village Residential (VR). \*PUBLIC HEARING\*

**ACTION:** Approve/Disapprove/Modify  
Environmental Review #21-12 (CEQA 15162 Findings)  
Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map #1316  
Conditional Use Permit #1264

**SUMMARY**

The subject site is located south of Cardella Road, west of El Redondo (Attachment B of Planning Commission Staff Report #22-398). The applicant is proposing to subdivide three parcels (approximately 19.50 acres) into 113 small single-family lots and one 3.6-acre lot for multi-family residential (pending Site Plan #492). The subject site is located within Residential Planned Development (RP-D) #57 with a General Plan designation of Village Residential (VR). The proposed single-family home lots range in size between 3,078 square feet and 5,465 square feet (Attachment C of Planning Commission Staff Report #22-398). Merced Municipal Code Section 20.16.020 - Land Use Regulation for the Urban Village Zoning Districts, requires conditional use permit approval to allow single-family homes within an Urban Village designation. In addition, these lots are considered "small lots" which also require a conditional use permit per Merced Municipal Code Chapter 20.40 - Small Lot Single -Family Homes (particularly Section 20.40.030 - Permits Required).

**RECOMMENDATION**

Planning staff recommends that the Planning Commission approve Environmental Review #21-12 (CEQA Section 15162 Findings) and Vesting Tentative Subdivision Map #1316 ("Royal Woods Subdivision"), Conditional Use Permit #1264 (including the adoption of the Draft Resolution) subject to the conditions in Exhibit A and the

findings/considerations in Exhibit B of Draft Resolution #4092 at Attachment A of Planning Commission Staff Report #22-398.

**E.2**     [22-465](#)     **SUBJECT:** Cancellation of June 22, 2022, Planning Commission Meeting due to lack of items

**ACTION:**  
 Cancel the Planning Commission Meeting of June 22, 2022

**F. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**F.1**     [22-466](#)     **SUBJECT:** Report by Planning Manager of Upcoming Agenda Items

**ACTION**  
 Information only.

**F.2**     [22-467](#)     **SUBJECT:** Calendar of Meetings/Events

- June    6     City Council, 6:00 p.m.
- 8     Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m.
- 21    City Council, 6:00 p.m. **(Tuesday)**
- 22    Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m. **(To be Cancelled)**
- 28    Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission, 4:00 p.m.
- July     5     City Council, 6:00 p.m. **(Tuesday)**
- 6     Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m.
- 18    City Council, 6:00 p.m.
- 20    Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m. **(May be Cancelled)**

**G. ADJOURNMENT**