



# THE WEEKLY COUNCIL INFORMATION REPORT

August 26, 2022

## **Congratulations Kim Espinosa Thank You for 35 Years of Service**



Today our heartiest work anniversary wishes go out to Kim Espinosa. Kim has been a loyal, dedicated, and hard-working member of the City's team for 35 years.

Kim started her career with the City in 1987 when the City Hall Annex was across the street at the Masonic Lodge, and the population of Merced was approximately 50,000 residents.

Kim joined as an entry-level Planner I and, after several promotions, earned her current position as Planning Manager in March of 2002. She's spearheaded numerous projects, including being the principal author of the Merced Vision 2015 General Plan and project manager for the Merced Vision 2030 General Plan, adopted in 2012, to name a few.

Thank you, Kim, for the efforts you put in day in and day out.

## **Thank you, Bob Dylina**



On August 3, 2022, the Planning Commission and City staff celebrated Bob Dylina's final meeting as a Planning Commissioner with a farewell dinner catered by Trevino's before the Planning Commission meeting.

Bob was presented with a plaque, and final photos were taken of the entire Commission. Bob served eight years on the Planning Commission. He was first appointed in 2015. Although his second term officially expired in July 2021, Bob continued to serve until his replacement was recently established. Bob said he enjoyed working with his fellow Commissioners and City staff, learning new things, and seeing innovative and creative projects. Thank you, Bob, for your eight years of service to our community.

## **Meet Angel Green Development Services Technician 1**



Angel recently started an internship in the Planning Department at the City. While here, she will focus on rewriting the current Administration Code A-25 to update the language and help implement a new special events application process for CORPs and city street closures.

Angel is in her final semester at UC Merced and will graduate this December with a degree in political science. She received her internship with the City through the Maddy Institute's Legislative Intern Scholar Program.

With interest in family law, her career goal is to have a judgeship in the family court system. In addition, Angel will focus on advocating and working with children throughout her career.

Originally from Texas, she moved with her family to Southern California and chose a college in the state. While her family moved back to Texas, Angel stayed in California to finish her schooling.

Angel is a proud first-generation college student. Her family will undoubtedly travel to California this December to celebrate her journey and accomplishments.

## Street Hockey Fun on the Teal Top at Applegate Park

This week, the Parks and Recreation Department launched the Teal Top Sticks to Fitness program. A total of eight young aspiring athletes took part in the inaugural event.

Participants learned the importance of preparation, including stretching and basic stick handling techniques. Everyone practiced moving the puck up and down the rink, maneuvering around cones, and passing and receiving with a partner. Toward the end of the session, participants took a few goal shots.

The Department has extended the Teal Top Street Hockey program to youth in 7th and 8th grades. Registration forms are available at 632 W. 18th Street in Merced.



### Public Works in Action

Water Department crews responded to a water leak at the Raley's parking lot and repaired a broken irrigation line.



A crew member repaired a water main bell joint leak at 6<sup>th</sup> Ave.



On the 1700 block of E. 23<sup>rd</sup> St., crews upgraded the water service line for new construction while training new staff.



At Wathen Ave., crews replaced an old IOWA fire hydrant and repaired the surrounding concrete sidewalk.

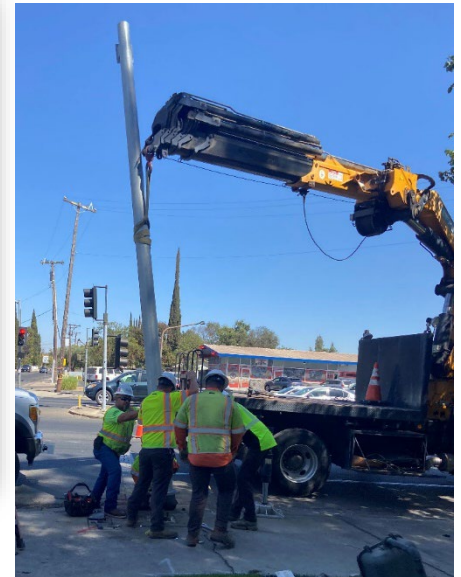


## Encampment Clean Up at Old Santa Fe Road & Highway 59

Recently, City crews worked to clear an encampment near Old Santa Fe Road and Highway 59. Four Public Works staff members worked on the project. Crews used two trucks and one tractor to clean up and haul away approximately 6.96 tons of trash and debris. Merced Police Department's DART Team assisted with relocation and supportive services for people who lived at the encampment..



**Street Crews repaired a traffic signal damaged by a vehicle crash at G Street and Alexander Avenue.**



**Tree Crews responded to downed trees on Bear Creek between brookside Drive and R Street.**



**Tree Crews removed all median trees along Auto Center Drive west of V Street.**



**More photos of the replacement of a water main section along Martin Luther King, Jr. Way in front of the Merced County Fire Station.**



## Inspection Services Bi-weekly report for August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 through August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022

### Single Family Dwelling (SFD) permits:

- SFD Permits Issued: **1**
- SFD Permits in Plan Review: **132**
- SFD Certificates of Occupancy: **14**

### Multi-Family Dwelling (MFD) permits in review:

- Gateway Terrace Apartments located at 405 W 12th St; one office/lounge and six two-story apartments: two buildings have 16 units, three buildings have 30 units, and one building has four units for a total of 126 units.
- Compass Pointe phase II: 112 units in 12, 8-plex buildings, plus a clubhouse.
- Gateway Commons Apartments located at 3130 E. Gerard Ave.; one community building, five buildings with 16 units, and five buildings with 24 units for 200 units, plus 31 garage structures.

### MFD permits issued:

- There was 1 MFD permit issued during this period; for a fire damage repair that is adding an ADU located at 1740 Shirley St.

### Commercial & Industrial permits issued:

- There was 1 new construction commercial permit issued during this period; for a 17,994 SF clinic, adult day care, therapy rooms, and offices located at 727 Childs Ave.
- There were 2 new tenant improvement permits issued during this period; one for a 2,976 SF dental office located at 3630 G St Ste B, and one for a 1,200 SF bakery located at 2649 Canal St.

### Commercial & Industrial permits submitted:

- There were 0 new construction commercial permits submitted during this period.
- There were 3 new tenant improvement permit submitted during this period; one to remove draft curtains at Costco located at 1445 R St., one for an Indian grocery market located at 2933 G St., and one for a 1,650 SF remodel for Kabab City located at 125 E. Yosemite Ave. Ste D.

### Commercial & Industrial Certificates of Occupancy (CofOs)

- There were 2 commercial and industrial CofOs issued for this period; one for a 2,070 SF medical office tenant improvement located at 220 E 13<sup>th</sup> St., and one for the Costco produce cooler located at 1445 R St.



## Congratulations Landen Brown

Congratulations to the Brown family! Landen Brown, an accomplished tuba player and a senior at Merced High recently traveled for three weeks across the country with the Santa Clara Vanguard Cadets on a tour to participate in the Drum Corps International World Championships in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dozens of bands from throughout the United States competed in front of more than 22,000 people at Lucas Oil Stadium, home of the Indianapolis Colts. Landen and his team swept every scoring category. Landen is the son of Leah Brown, Management Analyst in the City's Planning Department.

## Reports and Correspondence

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Tune into [1480kyos.com](http://1480kyos.com) this Saturday morning, August 27, between 7 to 10 a.m. to hear **City of Merced Fire Chief Derek Parker and Battalion Chief Mickey Brunelli** talk about mutual aid provided at the Oak and McKinney Fires.



# TAP & BALLET

DANCE CLASS



**\*TAP SHOES REQUIRED\***

• **LOCATION:** Rossotti Center  
1075 W. 25th Street

• **WHEN:** Every Monday

• **DATE:** Sept. - May

• **COST:** \$70 a session (3 month session)  
1 hr. class for ages 5 & up

• **AGES:** 2-4yr old 9am, 10am & 11am

• 5-7 yr old- 2pm, 3pm & 4pm

• 8- 12 yr old - 5pm & 6pm

• 13- 17 yr old- 7pm

• 18 and up - 8pm

• **REGISTER AT:** Parks & Recreation

632 W. 18th St

or call 385-6235



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# TEAL TOP STICK TO FITNESS



## SESSION 1:

AUG. 23 - SEPT. 15

3RD & 4TH GRADERS  
T/TH @ 5:45PM-7:00PM

5TH & 6TH GRADERS  
T/TH @ 7:00PM-8:15PM

## SESSION 2:

SEPT. 20 - OCT. 13

3RD & 4TH GRADERS  
T/TH @ 5:45PM-7:00PM

5TH & 6TH GRADERS  
T/TH @ 7:00PM-8:15PM

LOCATION:  
APPLEGATE PARK  
TEAL TOP  
1045 W. 25TH ST.  
MERCED, CA 95340  
(NEXT TO BASKETBALL COURT)

# FREE!

Space is limited.

JAMBOREE AFTER EACH  
SESSION

*Improve your technical skill & be the best  
hockey player you are dreaming of*

Scan here for  
Application



APPLICATIONS MAY BE TURNED IN  
OR PICKED UP AT THE  
PARKS & RECREATION OFFICE  
632 W. 18TH ST.  
MONDAY-FRIDAY  
9AM-12PM & 1PM-5PM





City of Merced  
Parks and Community Services

# GUITAR LESSONS

WITH MIKE TAYLOR

Learn how to play electric or acoustic guitar. Read music, how to play by ear and tablature. Understand chords and scales, basic music theory and other cool tricks and techniques!

**WHEN:** Every Wednesday ●

Starting Sept . 7th, 2022 ●

**COST:** \$75 a month ●

**TIME :** 6:30PM -7:30PM ●

7:30PM - 8:30PM ●

**AGES:** 8 & Up ●

**LOCATION:** Rotary Scout Hut

**ENJOY FUN GUITAR LESSONS!**



Register at our office at 632 W 18th St.  
or call our us at (209) 385-6235