



THE WEEKLY COUNCIL INFORMATION REPORT

September 30, 2022

Go Day at Applegate Park Zoo

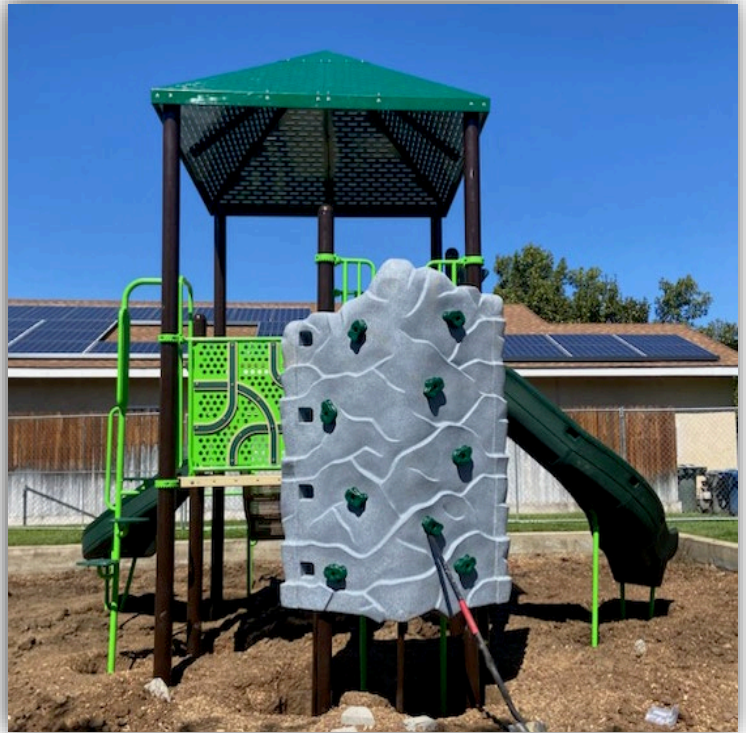
Members of the First Baptist Church, Merced – The Church of Hope, selected Applegate Zoo as one of their community service projects, referred to as Go Day. On Sunday, September 25th, crews tackled maintenance projects big and small. The animals enjoyed the activities. Channel 30 stopped by before the workday to report on the event.



Public Works in Action

The City-hired contractor, Park Planet, continued work this week; playground equipment has been installed at Hansen Park and removed at Frederick Douglas Park and Benjamin Tanager Park. This work is part of a Measure Y-funded project to replace park playground equipment at Little Angels Park, 12th & G Street Park, the Love Veasley Family Park, Benjamin Tanager Park, Frederick Douglas Park, Hansen Park, and Santa Fe Strip Park 3.

Hansen Park



Frederick Douglas Park



Benjamin Tanager Park



Public Works in Action

Public Works Water Crews responded to a water main pipe break at East 23rd and Ash Ave. Additionally, Crews replaced a broken 16” gate valve and abandoned a section of old 8” water main pipe at G St & 99 Overpass.

Ash Avenue



G Street & 99 Overpass



Merced Yosemite Regional Airport Pavement Inspection

Recently, a crew of engineers inspected the airport's pavement. The inspection will result in an updated pavement condition report. The report will assess the pavement's current condition, allowing the City to adopt economical and efficient maintenance and rehabilitation strategies. The pavement condition data set will also justify future FAA grant requests to fund pavement repair, rehabilitation, and reconstruction projects.



Family Friendly Fun October Events

Tiny Tots Pumpkin Party
Oct. 28th
Applegate Park Zoo

CITY OF MERCED PARKS AND RECREATION

TINY TOTS HALLOWEEN PUMPKIN PARTY!

COSTUMES HIGHLY ENCOURAGED!

PUMPKIN DECORATING • CRAFTS • PHOTOBOOTHS • HALLOWEEN MAZE • AND MORE!

KIDS AGES 2-10
OCT. 28, 2022 • 5:15PM-7:15PM
AT APPLGATE PARK ZOO!
1045 W 25TH ST.

\$10 PER CHILD

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED AT
632 W 18TH ST.
(209) 382-6235

SCAN QR CODE TO VOLUNTEER!

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Call for Vendors

Halloween Street Bash
Oct. 22nd
Joe Herb Park

City of Merced Parks and Recreation

HALLOWEEN STREET BASH

Trunk or Treat
candy is limited

LIVE MUSIC, ACTIVITIES, FOOD, AND CANDY!

Saturday, October 22nd | 6:00pm - 8:00pm | Joe Herb Park
2200 YOSEMITE PARKWAY - Merced, CA
Parking available at Golden Valley High School Parking Lot

BRING A TREAT BAG AND WEAR YOUR COSTUME!

Scan our QR code if you're interested in volunteering!

Interested to Volunteer or decorate your trunk for the street bash? call (209) 385-6235 or come into our office 632 W. 18th St. Merced, CA

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VENDORS WANTED!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR VENDORS AND ORGANIZATIONS WHO WOULD LIKE TO JOIN US FOR THIS YEAR'S HALLOWEEN STREET BASH! SPOOKIFY YOUR TRUNK OR BOOTH!

VENDORS AND ORGANIZATIONS MUST BE ABLE TO GIVE OUT CANDY OR GOODY BAGS FOR UP TO 1,000 PEOPLE. VENDOR MUST PROVIDE OWN POWER (BATTERY, LED, SOLAR ETC.)

Reserve your space now!

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Halloween Softball Tournament
Oct 15th & 16th

2nd Annual Cops for Critters
Oct. 29th



City of Merced
Parks and Recreation
2ND ANNUAL
HALLOWEEN
SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

COSTUME CONTEST! FOOD VENDORS!

Saturday, Oct 15
Adult
Mens & Womens League

Sunday, Oct 16
Coed
Upper & Lower Divisions
*6 Men/4 Women

ENTRY FEE:
\$225 PER TEAM,
\$50 DEPOSIT
(APPLIED TO FEE)
AND
100PC CANDY BAG
PER PLAYER.

*CANDY NEEDED FOR CITY OF MERCED EVENTS

JOE HERB PARK - GAME TIME :TBD

For Registration:
Contact Anthony Almanza (209)509-5412
or call (209)385-6235 for more information
*CITY OF MERCED SOFTBALL LEAGUE RULES APPLY



2ND ANNUAL COPS FOR CRITTERS
CAR SHOW & TRUNK OR TREAT
OCTOBER 29TH, 2022 10 A.M. - 2 P.M.

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT APPLAGATE
PARK AND ZOO
\$25 PRE-REG FEE BEFORE 10/21
\$30 AFTER 10/21
CHECK-IN @ 9
JUDGING @ 12

ADULT & CHILD COSTUMES WELCOME
RAFFLE PRIZES FOR CHILDREN

FEATURING:

TACOS AL MANDO

the cupcake lady

SPACE IS LIMITED, REGISTER NOW!
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cops-for-critters-car-show-and-trunk-or-treat-tickets-118143617>

Reports and Correspondence

- 1. Community Cleanup Flyer Pg. 8
- 2. Kids Discovery Station Gala Flyer Pg. 9
- 3. Planning Commission Agenda Pg. 10



Loughborough Fahrens Park Community Cleanup

Saturday, Oct. 8, 2022 | 8 - 11 am
Meet at the corner of Loughborough and Meadows
Lunch at 11 am
Bring gloves, trashbags, and sunscreen



An Evening of Discovery

Kids Discovery Station's
First Year Celebration and
Fundraiser!

Friday,
November 4, 2022
6pm - 9pm

Join us for a fun-filled night ! You get the best of both worlds:
feel like a kid again exploring cool exhibits while sipping a margarita!

MUSEUM TOURS
FUN ACTIVITIES
AUCTIONS

FOOD & DRINKS
MUSIC
FUN WITH FRIENDS

Buy Tickets at www.kidsdiscoverystation.org/events

Dress code casual. Due to event restrictions the event staff is unable to accommodate children, this is an adults-only event.





CITY OF MERCED

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

Meeting Agenda

Planning Commission

Wednesday, October 5, 2022

7:00 PM

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

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 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 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 [22-687](#) **SUBJECT: Information Only - Planning Commission Minutes of September 21, 2022**

RECOMMENDATION

For information only.

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 [22-727](#) **SUBJECT:** General Plan Amendment #22-03, initiated by Eric Pluim on behalf of Gateway Park Development Partners, LLC, property owners, This application involves a request to change the General Plan roadway classification from Divided Arterial to Collector for a portion of Mission Avenue from Coffee Street to the east side of Pluim Drive (extended). ****PUBLIC HEARING****

ACTION: Continue the matter to the November 9, 2022, Planning Commission meeting.

SUMMARY

This is a request to amend the General Plan Circulation Element by changing the roadway classification from Divided Arterial to Collector for a portion of Mission Avenue from Coffee Street to the east side of Pluim Drive (extended). This change is requested to improve the circulation for future development in the area.

RECOMMENDATION

Planning staff recommends that the Planning Commission continue this matter to the Planning Commission meeting of November 9, 2022.

E.2 **22-682** **SUBJECT:** Training on the Brown Act, Density Bonus Law, and Post-Construction Standards (MS-4 Permit)

ACTION

The Planning Commission will not take action on this item. It is for training purposes only.

SUMMARY

The Planning Commission will receive information and training related to the Brown Act, State Density Bonus Law, and Post-Construction Standards (MS-4 Permits)

RECOMMENDATION

Planning Staff recommends that the Planning Commission review the attached information pertaining to the Brown Act, Density Bonus Law, and Post-Construction Standards (MS-4 Permit).

F. INFORMATION ITEMS

F.1 [22-743](#) **SUBJECT:** Report by Planning Manager of Upcoming Agenda Items

ACTION

Information only.

F.2 [22-802](#) **SUBJECT:** Calendar of Meetings/Events

- Oct. 3 City Council, 6:00 p.m.
- 5 Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m.
- 17 City Council, 6:00 p.m.
- 19 Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m.
- 25 Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission, 4:00 p.m.
- Nov. 7 City Council, 6:00 p.m.
- 9 Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m.
- 21 City Council, 6:00 p.m.
- 23 Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m. (**To be Cancelled**)

G. ADJOURNMENT