



**The City of Merced Police Department  
Promotes Two Lieutenants and Three Sergeants in Swearing-In Ceremony**

This past Thursday, Interim Police Chief Craig Gundlach promoted five officers to the ranks of lieutenant and sergeant.

Promotions include Lieutenant Tony Aponte, Lieutenant Leon Pintabona, Sergeant Jacob Fister, Sergeant Alicia Gorman, and Sergeant Steven Odom.

"These are well-deserved promotions in our police force," stated Interim Chief Craig Gundlach. "I congratulate and commend Leon Pintabona and Tony Aponte on their extraordinary journey to becoming Lieutenants. To Jacob Fister, Alicia Gorman, and Steven Odom, your commitment to our community is commendable, and to all of you, your dedication and leadership inspire us all. We look forward to the positive impact you'll continue to make."



Pictured left to right: Sergeant Odom, Sergeant Fister, Sergeant Gorman, Interim Chief Gundlach, Lieutenant Pintabona, Lieutenant Aponte, Lieutenant Perez, and Lieutenant Dabney.





Lieutenant Pintabona and officers from the Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Dept.



Lieutenant Aponte and his wife Megan



Sergeant Fister and his family



Sergeant Odom and his family



Sergeant Gorman and her family



Lieutenant Pintabona and his proud father



### SWANA International Road-E-O Competition 2023

The 2023 SWANA International Road-E-O Competition took place on October 14<sup>th</sup> in Denver, CO. Eric Berlier and Dave Soto represented the City of Merced at the competition. Berlier took first place in the front loader division and Soto captured second in the side loader division. Eric also came in first place in the highest points scored overall. Congratulations to Eric and Dave. Well done!





**Public Works in Action**  
**Street Crews paved a portion of Glen Avenue**



**Tree Crews trimmed trees on R Street near Fremont School.**



## Inspection Services Bi-weekly report for October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023, through October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023

### Single Family Dwelling (SFD) permits:

- SFD Permits Issued: **0**
- SFD Permits in Plan Review: **187**
- SFD Certificates of Occupancy: **14**

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

- Compass Pointe phase II: 112 units in 12, 8-plex buildings, plus a clubhouse located at Compass Pointe Ave, Stinson Dr., and Horizons Ave. 2 buildings still in review.
- Affordable housing located at 3015 Park Ave.: 57,812 SF 3 story new construction, including a 2,744 SF community building. The project will provide 65 1 bedroom, 1-bathroom units and a single 2 bedroom, 1 bathroom unit.
- Two 1,336 SF duplexes located at 103 and 107 R St.
- A 4,624 SF 4-plex located at 1125 H St.
- A 2,600 SF duplex located at 531 Childs Ave.
- Emerald Village: 228 units in 18 buildings totaling 21,440 SF of living space, plus a 1,736 SF clubhouse located at 3622 N Hwy 59.  
(no change since last report)

### MFD permits issued:

- There were 0 multi-family permits issued during this period.  
(no change since last report)

### Commercial & Industrial permits issued:

- There were 2 new construction commercial permits issued during this period; one for a 85,332 SF 5-story Hilton Hotel with convention center located at 1001 S Coffee St., and one for a 12,488 SF office shell building located at 690 W 19<sup>th</sup> St.
- There were 3 new tenant improvement permits issued during this period; one for a 12,784 SF medical building located at 1240 W Main St., one for 2,821 SF Agave's Mexican Restaurant located at 779 E Yosemite Ave, Ste A., and one for a 3,768 SF Retinal Consultant located at 3185 M St, Ste 200.

### Commercial & Industrial permits submitted:

- There were 0 new construction commercial permits submitted during this period.
- There was 1 new tenant improvement permit submitted during this period; for a 10,237 SF Five Below located at 3162 R St.

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

- There was 1 commercial, industrial, and multi-family apartment CofO issued for this period; for a 2,250 SF tenant improvement for a dispensary located at 1594 W 18<sup>th</sup> St.



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