



# COUNCIL INFORMATION REPORT

June 28, 2024

## Swinging into Summer Junior Giants Program Launches at Nannini Youth Sports Complex on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

The Junior Giants Baseball program proudly launched its season on June 10th at the Nannini Youth Sports Complex. Young athletes will spend the summer learning the fundamentals of baseball and embracing the values of teamwork, leadership, and healthy habits.

This program promises a summer of fun, camaraderie, and personal development, all under the guidance of dedicated coaches and volunteers. As the season kicks off, the Parks and Community Services team looks forward to helping these young players build their skills and create unforgettable memories both on and off the field. Let's play ball!



## Empowering Future Coaches: Highlights from the Coaches Clinic at Nannini Youth Sports Complex

Recently, twenty dedicated coaches gathered for a Junior Giants Coaches Clinic at the Nannini Youth Sports Complex. The event, designed to sharpen coaching skills and techniques, was a success. Coaches immersed themselves in an evening filled with innovative coaching strategies and best practices to enhance their ability to guide and inspire young athletes. This clinic represents a significant milestone in the Parks and Community Services' ongoing mission to elevate the quality of coaching and mentorship for the next generation of athletes.



## June Parks and Community Services Staff Training Mastering Tennis, Hockey, and Pickleball.

During the recent June Parks and Community Services Staff Training, new staff had the opportunity to engage in early morning sessions focused on tennis, hockey, and pickleball. They embraced the chance to learn new techniques and hone their skills in each sport, enjoying their time outdoors and developing valuable expertise for their roles. This hands-on training enhanced their proficiency and fostered a sense of camaraderie and enthusiasm.



## June 14th Movies in the Park “Wonka” Screening Canceled but Community Enjoys Pre-Show Festivities

Parks and Community Services first Movies in the Park event on June 14th, featuring “Wonka,” faced unexpected technical difficulties leading to a cancellation. Despite this, the community enjoyed the pre-show activities and showed great understanding. A special thanks to Advance America for providing popsicles and coloring pages for the kids. Parks and Community Services is considering rescheduling the movie.



## A Grand Slam Summer Teal Top Hockey, Pickleball, and H.I.T.S. Tennis Kick Off with Enthusiasm

Last week marked the conclusion of Parks and Community Services first H.I.T.S. Tennis session of the summer. The program, which kicked off on June 10th alongside Teal Top Hockey and Pickleball, made a significant impact. One parent expressed their gratitude, saying, "I just wanted to take a moment and tell you how much my kids loved the H.I.T.S. program. Today was their last day. They had so much fun with the coaches. They did a terrific job. They learned so much and made a few new friends. I really hope that this program is around in the future for more kids to enjoy." The positive feedback highlights the success of the program and the joy it brought to the participants, setting a high standard for the remainder of the season.



## June 18th Men’s Adult Softball Season Wraps Up with Three Champions

Parks and Community Services concluded the Men’s Adult Softball Season on June 18th, crowning three champions. Next up, coed playoff games start July 27th at 6:00 pm at Joe Herb Park.



## June 26th: Junior Giants Baseball Season Kicks Off with Opening Day

Join Parks and Community Services on June 26th for Opening Day of the Junior Giants Baseball season. Family and friends are invited to cheer on young athletes as they take the field for their first game of the season. This community event promises a day of fun and sportsmanship. Come support the Junior Giants as they start their exciting new season.

**CHALLENGER**  
**BASEBALL**  
**League**

**JUNIOR GIANTS**  
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**AGES 5-15**

**SPORT EQUIPMENT & UNIFORMS PROVIDED**

**FRIDAYS: 6/21, 7/5, 7/19, & 8/2**

The City of Merced is seeking proposals from experienced landscape architecture or park & recreation planning consultants to oversee, coordinate, and develop the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan (referred to as "the Plan" or "the PROS Plan"). For comprehensive information about this opportunity, visit [cityofmerced.org](http://cityofmerced.org) > Business Services > Bid Opportunities > RFP- Parks, Recreation & Open Space Master Plan. Deadline for submissions is July 17, 2024.



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**PARKS, RECREATION, & OPEN SPACE  
MASTER PLAN  
Request For Proposals**

**Issue Date: June 7th, 2024**  
**Deadline: July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

## City of Merced and County Probation Unite for Grand Opening of Pathways to Success Building

Recently, the City of Merced and Merced County Probation joined forces in a ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate the grand opening of the Pathways to Success building. This marked an important milestone as the community opened its doors to showcase the youth resources available. The event brought together multiple agencies and community members eager to explore the offerings of Pathways to Success. Pictured below are members of Merced County Probation Department and City of Merced Peer Support Specialists.



Ongoing Canal Street Watermain Project: Ramp and Driveway Replacement, Street Repaving

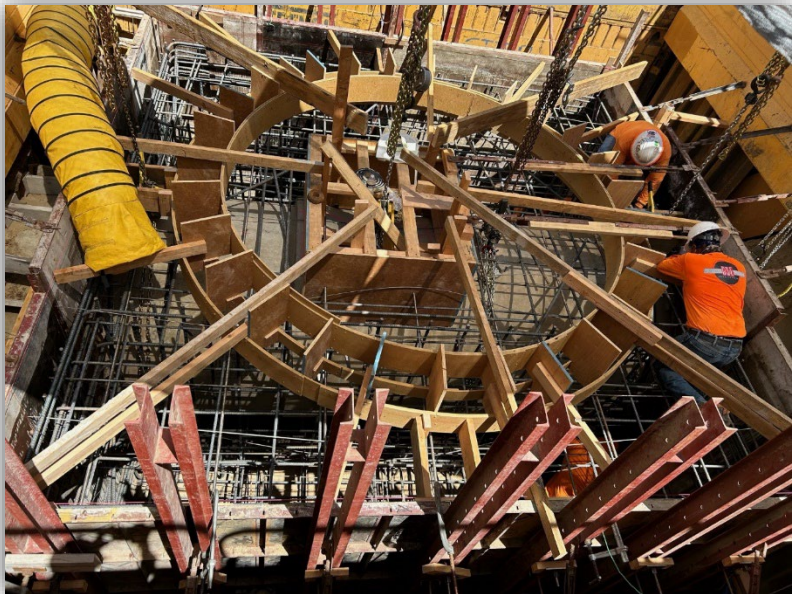
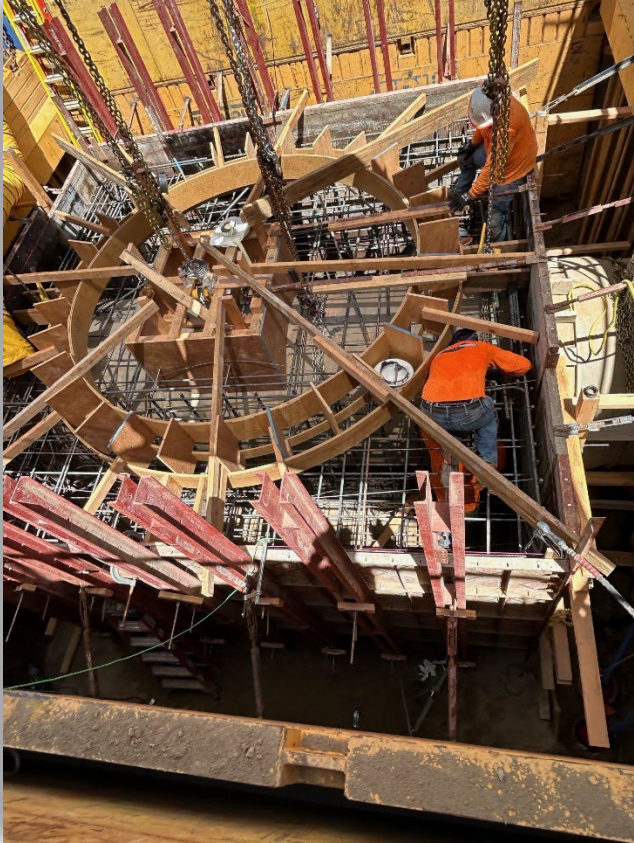




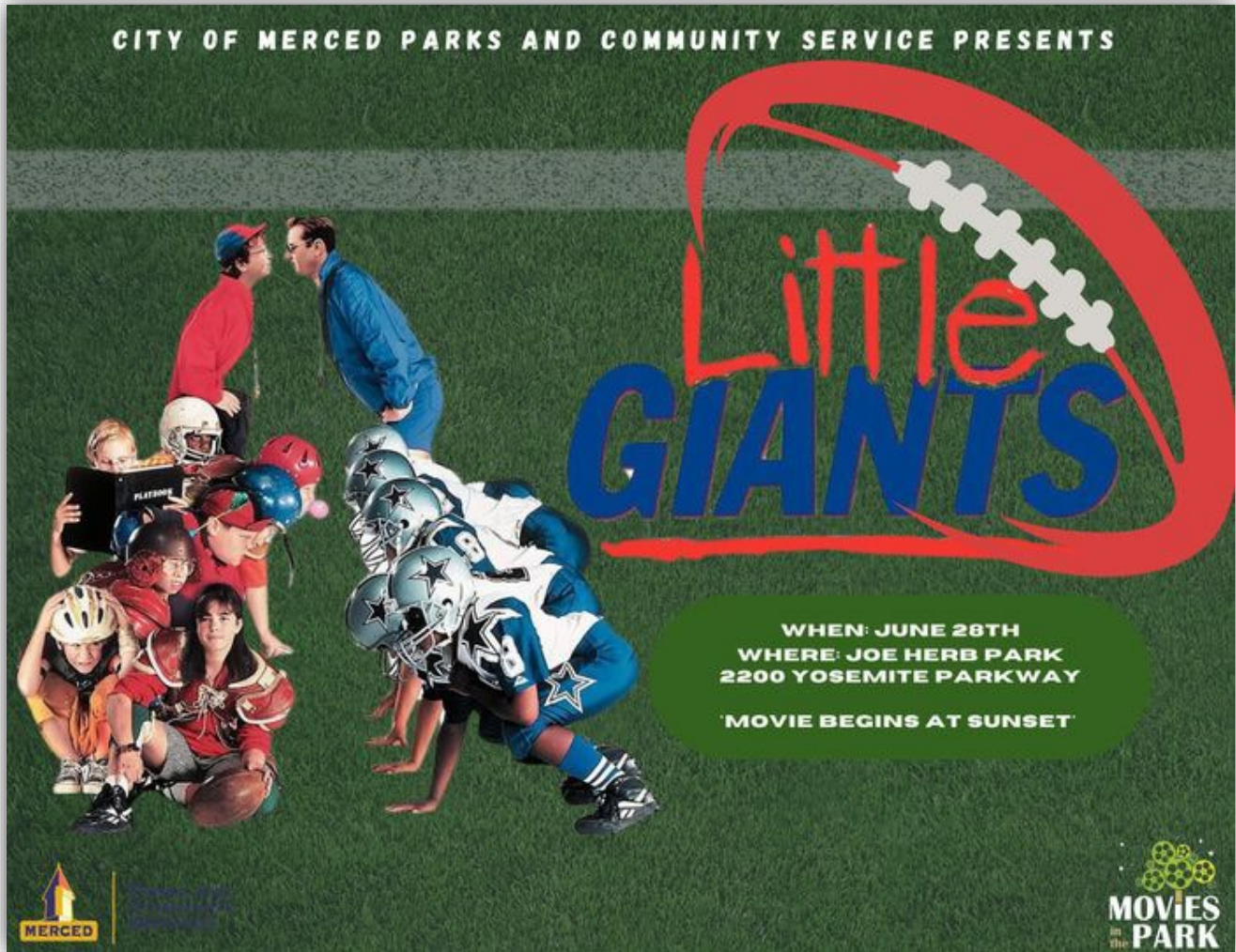
**Progress at Community Park 42:  
Concrete Pouring, Irrigation Installation, and Futsal Court Fencing Underway**



**Final Preparations at Wastewater Treatment Plant:  
Setting the Bell Ring Form for 10-Foot Diameter Manhole**



CITY OF MERCED PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE PRESENTS



**Little GIANTS**

WHEN: JUNE 28TH  
WHERE: JOE HERB PARK  
2200 YOSEMITE PARKWAY

MOVIE BEGINS AT SUNSET

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MOVIES in the PARK

The poster features a group of young football players in blue and white uniforms with stars on their helmets, crouching on a green field. Two men, likely coaches, stand in the background. A large red football is positioned behind the title. The background is a green field with a grey yard line.