



THE WEEKLY

COUNCIL INFORMATION REPORT

August 30, 2024

Celebrating National Dog Day: Honoring Our K9 Heroes and Their Legacy

In celebration of National Dog Day this past Monday, we're spotlighting Merced PD's K9 teams who play a crucial role in keeping our community safe.

Officer Hernandez with K9 Koa

Officer Zazueta with K9 Zeke

Officer McCannon with K9 Mako

We also honor our retired K9 officers: Tank, Sam, and Stas. Thank you to all our K9 teams and their handlers for their commitment and service. Your hard work and loyalty make a significant difference in our community.



MERCED POLICE DEPARTMENT



Merced PD Kicks Off Town Hall Series: Fostering Community Engagement and Strengthening Local Ties

This week, Merced PD kicked off the first of its four community town halls, taking a positive step toward strengthening community connections. Thank you to Lieutenant Haygood and the department members for a job well done. Productive conversations with neighbors and business leaders allowed Haygood to share valuable insights into local trends and key initiatives. Community is at the heart of everything this department does, and it will be exciting to see these connections grow even stronger at the next three town halls.



Save the Dates Upcoming Community Town Halls

- Central Merced Area
 - Sept 4th – 6 to 8 PM
 - Civic Center
 - Hosted by Lieutenant Aponte
- Northeast Merced Area
 - Sept 10th – 6 to 8 PM
 - Cruickshank Middle School
 - Hosted by Lieutenant Barajas
- South Merced Area
 - Sept 17th 6 to 8 PM
 - Tenaya Middle School
 - Hosted by Lieutenant Pintabona

You are invited to our
LAW ENFORCEMENT TOWN HALL MEETING

MEET YOUR AREA COMMANDER

HOSTED BY:
LIEUTENANT APONTE

SEPTEMBER 4TH, 2024
6:00PM- 8:00PM
Sam Pipes Room (First floor)
678 W18th St,
Merced, CA 95340

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:

- Crime Statistics and trends in the area
- Community Policing Initiatives
- Use of Technology in Policing
- Community Feedback and Concerns

FREE

Open to the public!

ALEJANDRO MALDONADO

PATROL OFFICER

WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE OFFICER ALEJANDRO MALDONADO- GUILLEN FOR PASSING THE MERCED POLICE DEPARTMENT FIELD TRAINING.

OFFICER MALDONADO WAS BORN IN MEXICO AND RAISED IN TURLOCK. HE MAJORED IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE. BEFORE STARTING HIS CAREER IN LAW ENFORCEMENT, HE WORKED IN REAL ESTATE. HE WAS INSPIRED TO BE A POLICE OFFICER TO BRIDGE THE GAP BETWEEN POLICE AND THE COMMUNITY.

PLEASE JOIN US IN CONGRATULATING HIM!

OFFICER SPOTLIGHT



Engineering at Work

CMAQ Nottingham Sidewalk Project: Crews excavated the area to install the new sidewalk.



Bear Creek Restoration Project

Earlier this week, City Manager Scott McBride spoke with ABC 30 about the Bear Creek restoration project, emphasizing the City’s dedication to repairing the damage from the 2023 storms. Bear Creek suffered significant damage, impacting paths and overall safety. Initially, the City had planned to address invasive plants, but the project has now expanded to include essential storm-related repairs.

Dokken Engineering is leading the restoration efforts, which will take about 18 to 24 months. To keep the community informed, the City plans to host a series of community meetings as the project progresses. These meetings will keep residents informed about the work being done to restore and enhance Bear Creek for the benefit of all.



Merced Yosemite Airport Terminal Replacement: A Glimpse of the New Exterior





Welcome Back Cosmo

Cosmo Ordunez has returned to the City of Merced as the new Public Works Manager – Internal Services (Fleet & Facilities), effective August 19th.

Cosmo first joined our team in 2014 as an Equipment Service Worker and steadily advanced to the role of Lead Mechanic before departing in December 2021. Most recently, he served as an Equipment Supervisor for the City of Fresno. We're excited to welcome Cosmo back and look forward to the experience he'll bring to the team.

Event starts on:
WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 2, 2024
611 W. 22nd,
Merced, CA 95340



Learn more about your Police Department!

- Class Activities
- 10 Week Program
- Interactive hands on exercises!

Merced Police Department is hosting its Community Academy. This 10-week class is hosted twice a year. The goal of the program is to educate the community about the IMPD and build trust. The academy is free to anyone who lives or works in the Merced. Participants must be at least 18 years of age to enroll.

Sgt. Rinder
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JOIN OUR
COMMUNITY ACADEMY



LEARN ABOUT:

- Hiring Process
- Community Engagement
- Training Standards
- Field Operations
- Investigations and more!

SCHEDULE:

The classes are from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. each Wednesday night starting Oct 2nd with a week off during the Thanksgiving week and a graduation ceremony on Dec 2024!

4TH ANNUAL COPS FOR CRITTERS

CHIEF'S AWARD
BEST DECORATED AWARD
PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD

TRICK OR TREAT

DRESS UP AND COME HAVE FUN WITH YOUR FAMILY!

CAR SHOW

TIME: 10AM-2PM
REGISTRATION FEE: \$30 PAY AT ENTRANCE
LOCATION: 611 W 22ND MERCED CA 95340

OCTOBER 26TH 2024

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
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REGISTER

BY SEPTEMBER 2
FOR A CHANCE TO

Win



Gateway to Yosemite
2023 Shirt



El Capitan Classic
2024 Socks



Merced Disc Golf
Club 2024 Disc



REGISTER TODAY!

MCOE.ORG/RUN



PARKS AND
COMMUNITY
SERVICES

Visit <http://mcoe.org/run> to register.

COMMUNITY MEETING



WHEN:
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2024
FROM 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

WHERE:
CIVIC CENTER
SAM PIPES ROOM 1ST FLOOR
678 W 18TH STREET

TOPIC:
CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR
QUALITY PROGRAM (CMAQ)
PROJECTS

The City of Merced is looking for community input and suggestions on priorities throughout the city to create qualifying projects for the next application round due on October 11, 2024.

Eligible Projects Include:

- Active Transportation (Bicycle & Pedestrian) Projects, such as new sidewalks, new bicycle paths, etc.
- Traffic Signal Synchronization
- Certain Traffic Flow Improvements (roundabouts, auxiliary turn lanes separating turning traffic from through traffic, etc.)
- Alleyway Paving (minimum vehicle trip per day is 25)
- Alternative fueling/EV infrastructure

**WE WANT TO HEAR
FROM YOU!**

**WHAT PROJECTS
WOULD YOU LIKE TO
SEE HAPPEN IN YOUR
CITY?**

**ALL LOCAL
RESIDENTS ARE
WELCOME**

CITY OF MERCED

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**Planning Commission
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NOTICE OF MEETING CANCELATION

CITY HALL
MERCED, CALIFORNIA
678 W. 18th Street, 2nd Floor, Council Chamber
Merced, CA 95348

August 29, 2024

The Regular Planning Commission meeting scheduled for September 4, 2024, at 6:00 PM has been canceled due to a lack of items. The next regularly scheduled Planning Commission meeting will be held September 18, 2024.

Kim Espinosa
Temporary Director of Development Services