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- **To:** The Honorable Mayor and City Council
- From: Stephanie R. Dietz, Interim City Manager
- **Date:** November 13, 2020
- **Re:** City Council Information Report



#### AND THE WINNER IS...

Here is the winning entry for the 2020 Annual Fire and Cops for Kids Toy Drive Poster contest. Viewers on social media were asked to vote for the poster they liked and this was the lucky entry. The winning artist will be rewarded in the weeks to come. A flier on the Toy Drive is attached.

#### **TREE PRUNING & REMOVAL CONTRACT**

West Coast Arborists was awarded a contract Oct. 19 to prune 5,155 trees, as well as remove 147 trees and 70 stumps in various Maintenance Districts and Community Facilities Districts throughout Merced. The contractor will be completing the pruning and removal in phases and has started in Las Brisas Monday, under Public Works Department supervision.





#### TREE TRIMMING NEAR CENTRAL POLICE STATION

Public Works Tree crews trimmed trees, and removed one tree, around the Central Police Station this week.



#### WATER CREWS IN ACTION

Public Works Water crews replaced a leaking service at Kinglet Court this week.



#### SEWER CREWS IN ACTION

Public Works Sewer crews repaired a discharge pipe at Thornton Road and Lopes Avenue that was destroyed in a vehicle accident, repaired a broken 8-inch easement main line, and prepped for the rain season by cleaning catch basins this week.



MAIN LINE REPAIR:

CATCH BASIN CLEANING:





#### THORNTON & LOPES:



#### **HIGHWAY 59 CLEANUP**

Public Works Refuse Crews worked to clear debris from encampments and illegal dumping along Highway 59, between W. 16<sup>th</sup> St and Cooper Ave., this week.







#### **ENGINEERING UPDATE**

#### R Street Rehabilitation – Loughborough to Buena Vista

United Pavement Maintenance, Inc., crews are removing ADA ramps and saw cutting curbs and gutters. This project is 1% complete.



**Brimmer Water Main** The Mid Cal Pipeline & Utilities, Inc., crew is installing water services. This project is 5% complete.



#### **Cooper Lift Station**

The Phase 1 Construction crew is installing a new manhole. This project is approximately 85% complete.



#### **Upcoming Construction Projects (Council Award Date)**

- 1. 117020 Gerard Ave. Sewer Main Hwy 99 to Kibby Road (10/19)
- 2. 119006 Alpine Drive G St. to Wainwright Ave. Improvements to begin by 11/23
- 3. 119003 R St. Rehabilitation Loughborough Dr. to Buena Vista Dr. to begin by 11/23
- 4. 120008 Crack Filling Phase 1 (16<sup>th</sup>, G St, Olive Ave)

#### **Projects in Design**

- 1. Highway 59 Widening
- 2. Highway 59 and 16<sup>th</sup> Street Signal and Channelization (90%)
- 3. Motel Drive Multi-Use Path (100%)
- 4. V Street, 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> Streets, Road Improvement (90%)
- 5. N Street, 16th to 18th Streets, Roadway Improvement (100%) Submitted to CTC
- 6. R Street,  $16^{\text{th}}$  to  $18^{\text{th}}$  (40%)
- 7. B Street Improvements (30%)
- 8. G Street Improvements Childs to 13<sup>th</sup> St. (100%) Submitted to CTC
- **9.** Orchard Avenue Sewer (40%)

#### MERCED POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS



#### OFFICERS RECOGNIZED BY MOTHERS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING

Officer Eduardo Chavez, Officer Myles Richter and Officer Levi Crain were recognized for their efforts in combating impaired driving by Mothers Against Drunk Driving, (MADD). In 2019, they completed a total of 101 DUI investigations.

The Department congratulates these officers for their diligence, in recognizing and acting upon removing impaired drivers from our roadways. They are making a difference when it comes to the safety of our community.

#### **NEW OFFICERS IN DEPARTMENT**

The Merced Police Department swore in Alejandro Arias and Rudy Hernandez at 1:30 p.m. today in the City Council Chambers.



#### **ALEJANDRO ARIAS**

Alejandro was born and raised in Fresno. He put himself through the College of the Sequoias Hanford Police Academy and graduated in July of this year. This has been Alejandro's dream job since he was a child and he is excited to start his career here.



#### **RUDY HERNANDEZ**

Rudy was born and raised in Madera. He was an explorer for 8 years with Madera Police Department. He put himself through the College of the Sequoias Hanford Police Academy and graduated in July of this year.

#### NEW TRAINEES IN DEPARTMENT

The Merced Police Department is happy to announce the graduation of three trainees from the Fresno Police Academy on Nov. 17.



Marissa Bolanos



Desi Villanueva



Arturo Gaona

#### HUMAN RESOURCES MONTHLY REPORT

Please find attached the Human Resources Department monthly report for November.

#### **INSPECTION SERVICES REPORT**

Please find attached the biweekly report from Inspection Services.

#### **REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE**

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## MERCED CITY FIRE AND COPS FOR KIDS

#### THIS PROGRAM IS OPEN TO ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED FAMILIES LIVING WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF MERCED

#### APPLICATION PROCESS



You can submit your paper application at the Merced Police South Station beginning on Monday, November 9, 2020 between the hours of 8:30am – 4:00pm. There are only **175** applications available at this location.



You can submit your paper application at the Merced Fire Station #51 beginning on Tuesday, November 10, 2020 between the hours of 8:30am – 4:00pm. There are only 75 applications available at this location.

#### PAPER APPLICATION GUIDELINES

- ONLY ONE APPLICATION PER FAMILY
- Only children ages newborn to 12 years old are eligible
- Paper applications must be completed on site
- The parent listed on the application must have a photo ID
- For each child listed please have one of the following: ID such as school ID or birth certificate or medical card
- Proof of address such as phone bill, power or utility bill or rent receipt

Toys will be distributed on Saturday, December 19, 2020 at the Merced Police South Station. Times for picking up toys is based on your ticket #. You must bring your ticket stub and photo ID with you to receive your toys.

Ticket #'s	Pick Up Time	Ticket #'s	Pick Up Time
A1 – A50	8:00am – 9:00am	A151 – A200	11:00am – 12:00pm
A51 – A100	9:00am – 10:00am	A201 – A251	12:00pm – 1:00pm
A101 – A150	10:00am – 11:00am	Online Tickets	1:00pm – 2:00pm

#### Human Resources' October 2020 Monthly Report

	<u>Current</u> Oct '20	<u>Previous</u> Oct '19	<u>2020</u> YTD Total	<u>2019</u> Grand Total
Personnel:				
Recruitment(s)	8	5	23	53
New Hires				
Full Time	4	9	21	52
Temporary	2	4	26	56
Separations				
Full Time				
Dceased	0	0	0	3
Other Employment	0	0	5	14
Probation Release	0	1	5	5
Resigned	3	1	17	9
Retired	1	0	18	9
Termination for Cause	0	0	2	1
Temporary		-	-	
Accepted Full Time Position	0	0	0	0
Seasonal	1	25	32	47
Total Number of Employees	493	553		
Full Time	450	470		
Temporary	43	83		
Insurance:				
Government Claim (s) Filed	10	5	78	62
Subrogation Claim (s) Filed	0	5	50	50
Training - Workshops Offered		5	16	39

#### Inspection Services CI

### For the period of October 19<sup>th</sup> through November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020, there were 17 New Single Family Dwelling Permits Issued.

The running total of New Single Family Dwellings in Plan Review is 444.

#### Multi Family Permits in review:

Gateway Terrace Apartments located at 405 W 12<sup>th</sup> St; 1 office/lounge and 6, 2 story apartments: 2 buildings have 16 units, 3 buildings have 30 units, and 1 building has 4 units for a total of 126 units. Compass Pointe phase II: 128 units in 16, 8-plex buildings, plus a clubhouse.

Merced Station (Yosemite at Lake Apartments) located at 2850 E. Yosemite Ave.; **5** of 15 multi-family apartment permits are still pending issuance (for buildings 10-14).

The Childs & B St. project plan review is approved and the permit is pending issuance. It consists of 5 publicly funded apartment buildings and a community building in an affordable housing development consisting of 119 units on 4 acres located at 1157 B St.

There is also 1 new 2,438 SF duplex in review, located at 345 W. 23<sup>rd</sup> St.

There were 0 multi-family permits issued during this period.

(no change from last report)

There were 0 new construction commercial permits issued during this period. There were 0 new tenant improvement permits issued during this period.

There were 0 new commercial submittals during this period.

There were 2 new tenant improvement submittals during this period; one for the Dutch Brothers' located at 575 W. Olive Ave., and one for a remodel and addition of a hood and cooking equipment for the Circle K gas station located at 2104 G St.

There was 1 CofO issued for this period; for a tenant improvement at Pizza Hut located at 580 W. Olive Ave.

There were 27 CofOs for Single Family Dwellings during this period.