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One of the City's Redevelopment projects, this downtown landmark has been nameless since June. The red neon letters were removed as part of an extensive theater restoration project. The new lettering will be unveiled on Oct. 21 during the party to celebrate the historic theater's 75th anniversary.

The City Council

Mayor Ellie Wooten Mayor Pro Tem Joe Cortez Councilmember Rick Osorio Councilmember Carl Pollard **Councilmember Jim Sanders** Councilmember Bill Spriggs

Take our survey

The City of Merced is asking residents to take an online survey to help us improve City services. Each survey takes about 5 minutes to complete. Go to our home page at www.CityofMerced.org and look under Public Information.

Be extra safe this Halloween

Exercise caution when going out trick-or-treating

Halloween is a fun time for ghosts and goblins and scary creatures that scream, "Boo!" And Halloween is a blast for kids of all ages.

But there are some real dangers out there, so we offer these tips to make sure everyone enjoys Halloween.

Tips for trick or treaters:

- Start early, end early.
- Use make-up instead of a mask to see better. Add reflective tape to costume.
- Wear light-colored clothing and costumes that are flame-resistant.
- Carry a flashlight or light stick, never a lighted torch or candle.
- Keep the costume short enough so you

won't trip.

- Go out with a parent or older brother or sister.
- Only stop at well-lit houses.
- Walk, don't run.
- Don't go inside a stranger's house no matter what anyone says.
- Keep a safe distance between you and moving cars.
- Don't go between parked cars or crisscross back and forth across streets.
- Be respectful of other people and their property.
- Have a parent check the treats before you eat them.

Mesa Air taking over the flights to Merced Airport

Mesa Air Group is scheduled to start International Airport. flying into Merced by early November. The planes will be operating as America West/US Airways Express.

Mesa will provide 23 round-trip flights a week to Las Vegas/McCarran

Passengers will be able to book connecting flights to places around the world through Mesa and check baggage through to the final destination.

Mesa takes over for Scenic Airlines.

Contacting us

The City of Merced wants the site www.cityofmerced.org to be a one-stop Councilmember Michele Gabriault-Acosta source for information on the City. It contains City Council agendas and minutes, the Municipal Code, the General Plan, news releases from the City, department listings, e-mail addresses and information on local officials. We also want to hear from folks in person and on the phone.

> Merced Civic Center 678 W. 18th St. Merced CA 95340 Open Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m., except holidays

City Council	385-6834
City Manager	
City Attorney	
Code Enforcement	385-6855
Finance	385-4718
Personnel	385-6839
Planning Department	385-6858
Public Works	385-6800
Recreation/Parks	385-6855

IN AN EMERGENCY **DIAL 911**

Fire Department	385-6891
Police Department	385-6912



What goes in the blue recycling container, what stays out

Aluminum/bimetal products — all items must be empty, lids are OK

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

NOT ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

All tin/aluminum cans Aluminum foil—clean Appliances such as a can opener, microwave, etc. They must be more than 70 percent metal. Beer cans Cat and dog food cans Coffee cans Decorative cookie cans

BBQ propane tanks

Potato chip bags Please rinse your plastic, glass and metal items. Not all items are listed, so use this sheet only as a guideline. If you have further questions about what is accepted for recvcling, please call 385-6225 or Marcy Gallardo with Sunset Waste

Foil pouches (such as Capri Sun)

Large automotive parts (such as a fender)



Glass products — all items must be empty, lids are OK

Paper at 564-0387.

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Chili pepper bottles Ketchup, mayonnaise and mustard bottles Peanut butter jars Pickle iars **Snapple Bottles**

Faucets — all metal — no motor

Household pesticide spray cans

Hair spray cans

Pots/pans

Soda cans

Soup cans Tuna fish cans

NOT ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Ceramic floor tile Ceramics, china and porcelain Drinking glasses Light bulbs Windows Mirrors

Paper products — Must be clean and uncontaminated with food or chemicals

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

All clean paper — staples are OK Boxes -donut, cereal, cake, pudding, pizza or other boxes small enough to fit the container Cardboard tubes from toilet paper/paper towels Catalogs Computer/office paper Junk mail — glossy paper with window envelopes OK Magazines and telephone books Newspapers and inserts Paper grocery bags Paper milk cartons Shredded paper

NOT ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Bags from inside cereal boxes Cardboard roll with plastic wrap Cat and dog food bags/sacks, even when empty Foil-lined potato chip bags/cartons Juice boxes Mixed cardboard/metal containers such as biscuit dough and cookie dough containers Dirty paper napkins Dirty paper plates Dirty paper towels

Plastic products

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS Labeled 1 through 7

Bleach bottles Coffee drink bottles **Detergent bottles Dishwashing soap bottles** Milk bottles Peanut butter plastic jars Shampoo bottles Soda and water bottles Sport and tea drink bottles Plastic grocery bags

Look for the recycling symbol, (a triangle or circle on the bottom, side or label of the product) to find the number. **Basketballs** Clothes Diapers Garden and other hoses Potato chip bags Shoes Styrofoam

NOT ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Información sobre reciclaje disponible en la pagina electrónica http://www. cityofmerced.org/depts/pw/ solid_waste/recycling.asp

Ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise bottles