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From: Jeffrey Carter [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, December 14, 2024 10:06 AM
To: cityclerk
Subject: K1 request to fly a flag

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Merced City Council.

Item K1,

The only flags that the city of Merced should be flying are USA, state of California, veterans/POW. The city of Merced should not be flying flags about people's personal preferences about anything unless 100% of Merced agrees with those choices. You know that will never happen. If you allow one group, you will have to allow ALL groups to fly their flag. Even if you disagree with them.

Thank you

Jeffrey Carter

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From: Amelia Johnson <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Thursday, December 12, 2024 6:30 PM
To: cityclerk
Cc: Serratto, Matthew
Subject: Item K5 Comment, 12.16.24 Council meeting

Dear Mayor Serratto,

I was in a community meeting tonight regarding how to prepare our communities for ICE activities when I saw the agenda item regarding a possible jaywalking ordinance. I can't help but make the connection of how being cited for jaywalking can be an avoidable interaction with law enforcement that has the unintended consequence of endangering vulnerable members of Merced's immigrant community.

If this motion is intended to protect pedestrian safety, I urge the Mayor and Council to examine this issue from that lens: understand why this behavior might be happening and how streets can be designed to discourage this behavior. If people are the most at risk, put protecting, not punishing them, first.

Sincerely,

Amelia Johnson, MPH

District 1



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