



Press Release

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Subject: King City Selected as 2018 Amgen Tour of California Host City

The City of King is excited to announce that King City has been selected as a host City for the May 15, 2018 stage start of the Amgen Tour of California. The Amgen Tour of California is an annual professional cycling stage race on the UCI WorldTour and USA Cycling Professional Tour. First held in 2006, it has become the United States' premier annual cycling stage race and one of the most important races in the world. In 2016, millions of spectators followed the race worldwide on a variety of international networks.

According to Mayor Mike LeBarre, "The City of King is honored to be chosen to host one of the starts of the Amgen Tour of California. It will help show visitors what a special place King City is, but most importantly, it will provide an opportunity for many people in our community to participate in an exciting event that they normally would not have access to." The race start will provide King City residents with an up close view of world class athletes. It will also serve as a great emphasis for the City's efforts to promote local cycling and bicycle safety.

The overall race will take place May 13th – 19th and will travel from Long Beach to Sacramento. The race start for the May 15th stage will be held in downtown King City on the 200 and 300 blocks of Broadway Street, which will end in the afternoon at the Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca in Monterey County. Look for more information from the City during the upcoming weeks on opportunities to get involved. The City will need assistance with sponsors, volunteers and to help promote the event. Everyone will be invited and there will be no cost to view the beginning of the race.

A copy of the Amgen Tour of California's Media Release with information on the race is attached. Host City information and a highlight video are also available at www.amgentourofcalifornia.com and <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KxfHJyTpkY>. There is a page dedicated to King City on the Amgen Tour of California website under Host Cities.

Please contact City Hall at 385-3281 for more information.

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