

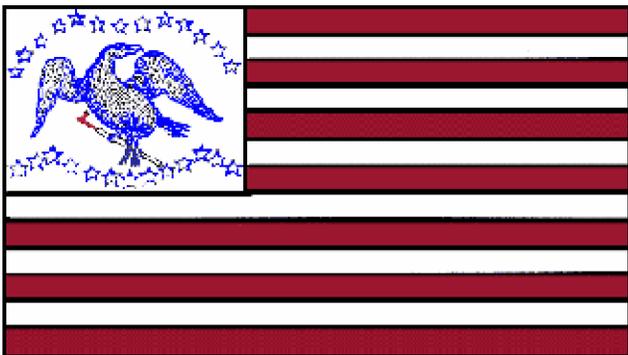
FREMONT MUNICIPAL BUILDING

- Completed & Occupied: February 1993
- Houses: City Hall, Police Department, Fire Department, District Court Room, City Council Chambers, Training Rooms, Fitness Room and Firearms Training Facility
- Construction Cost: \$2.5 Million
- Financing: Building Authority Bonds (Mature June 2007)
- Annual Debt Service Payment: \$211,576 for FY 03/04 with revenues from the Downtown Development Authority (DDA)
- Total Square Feet: 25,530 on two floors (6,780- Fire Dept.)



SOLDIERS MEMORIAL COMMUNITY BUILDING

- Completed: 1920 for \$60,000 (City Bonds sold)
- Memorial to the Community's WWI Veterans
- Housed: City Offices, Police Dept., Council Chambers, Library, Auditorium, Stage, Kitchen, Gym, Bowling Alley, & Movie Theater
- Fire Dept. was in adjacent building to the east
- 1992- City dedicated redeveloped Downtown City Park as Veterans Memorial Park as part of the DDA's Streetscape project along Main St.
- Cornerstone of Community Building relocated to Dedication Wall in Veterans Memorial Park
- 1998- New Veterans Memorial dedicated w/ names of all Fremont Area wartime veterans



FREMONT CITY FLAG

Brief History of the Flag Design

Because John C. Fremont was on a topographical expedition into areas claimed by Mexico, he chose not to carry a regular U.S. flag. Instead, his wife Jessie drew and made this flag using elements of design taken from the Stars and Stripes and Army regimental flags. The white canton featured twenty-six stars, outlined in blue, in two undulating waves above and below a blue eagle clutching in its talons nine blue arrows and a red and white peace pipe, the latter being a more recognizable sign of peace to the Native Americans than the classic olive branch.

The City's use of this flag has several historical footnotes. The U.S. Flag from 1837-1845 contained 26 stars. Michigan was the 26th State to join the Union in 1837. John Fremont also used it during his expeditions, the 3rd of which was during 1845. Nine years later in 1854, Fremont, then Weaverville, was founded. When the area's first postmaster, Daniel Weaver moved to Hesperia in 1862, the P.O. name was changed to Fremont Centre in honor of the Union army officer and explorer and because it was in the center of what was then Fremont Township. In 1875 the Village of Fremont incorporated. In 1887, the village's borders were extended south to encompass Fremont Lake. Fremont became a City on December 4, 1911.