

## City Manager's



### Weekly Update Friday, September 11, 2009

**Stockton's water treatment plant:** Staff learned that the Stockton City Council has approved commencement of construction of their \$166 million water treatment plant and pipeline, and the \$16 million intake pipe and pump station. In total, Stockton's water treatment plant project will cost \$217 million. The plant is close to Lodi located north of Eight Mile Road along Lower Sacramento Road. Construction could commence in 2010.

**Draft General Plan:** The draft General Plan is now available for review online on the Community Development Department's General Plan page. Although the entire document is 102 megabytes, each of the chapters is available as a separate download.

**Update on Online Transactions** – According to Information Systems, online transactions continue to grow. This past month, \$664,148 was collected via 2,380 online transactions. The acceptance of online transactions continues to grow and helps to contain costs despite growth in volume of transactions. Based upon past research, every on-line transaction results in a savings of \$3.13 compared to a traditional check. Using this standard we saved approximately \$7,500 in operational costs.

**Police K9 trials:** The Lodi Police Department's K9 Trials are being held Saturday at Tony Zupo Field. Agencies from throughout the Central Valley are participating. Activities begin at 8 a.m. and conclude around 4 p.m.

**Police vacancies:** Thursday's promotion of Tod Patterson to permanent lieutenant reduced the number of vacant police lieutenant positions from three to two, but it also opened a vacancy at sergeant that will not be filled in the current budget year.

**Gang suppression:** In response to an increasing number of gang-related incidents, patrol officers and detectives made their presence felt among gang members from Aug. 25 through Sept. 4. The result was no further violence. Officers identified 27 gang members and their associates, made 10 arrests, were involved in three foot pursuits of gang members and sent three complaints to the probation department for possible violations. By the end of the two weeks, gang member sightings were vastly reduced.

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