



CITY OF LODI COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Approve Removal of Three Trees at 1345 West Kettleman Lane in Conjunction with Animal Shelter Arts Project

MEETING DATE: February 20, 2008

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the removal of three trees at 1345 West Kettleman Lane in conjunction with the Animal Shelter Arts project.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The animal shelter volunteer group – PALS – received City Council approval and Public Art Fund funding in 2007 for an art mural to be located at the City animal shelter at 1345 West Kettleman Lane. When the proposed art was reviewed with the Arts Advisory Board, there was some understanding that tree removal would be necessary. However, that detail was not described in the staff report to the City Council as part of the Arts Fund approval, and to be complete in the project description, this detail is being brought back to the Council. Now that the panels on which the art work will be painted have been installed, it is clear that three trees should be removed to provide good visibility, particularly as the trees leaf out in the Spring (see attached photos).

The trees would be removed by PALS at no cost to the City as part of the fence work they propose to do along the front of the shelter/MSD for a dog walking area. This work will also include some additional landscaping treatment along the frontage.

FISCAL IMPACT: There would be a minor decrease in future tree maintenance costs.

FUNDING AVAILABLE: Not applicable.

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Public Works Director

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Attachments

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George Bradley, Streets and Drainage Manager
Nancy Alumbaugh, PALS

APPROVED: _____
Blair King, City Manager



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