

**LODI CITY COUNCIL
SHIRTSLEEVE SESSION
CARNEGIE FORUM, 305 WEST PINE STREET
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2014**

A. Roll Call by City Clerk

An Informal Informational Meeting ("Shirtsleeve" Session) of the Lodi City Council was held Tuesday, February 4, 2014, commencing at 7:00 a.m.

Present: Council Member Johnson, Council Member Nakanishi, Mayor Pro Tempore Hansen, and Mayor Katzakian

Absent: Council Member Mounce

Also Present: City Manager Bartlam, City Attorney Schwabauer, and City Clerk Johl-Olson

B. Topic(s)

B-1 Receive Fiscal Year 2013/14 Mid-Year Budget Report (CM)

Deputy City Manager Jordan Ayers provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the 2013/14 mid-year budget review. Specific topics of discussion included the General Fund overview, key revenue variances, General Fund departmental variances, overview and variances for water, wastewater, and electric utilities, and variances in community development, streets, parks and recreation, and library funds.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Hansen, Mr. Ayers stated the assessor has not yet provided the final property tax numbers and the \$98,000 is a true-up from previous years.

In response to Council Members Nakanishi and Johnson, Mr. Ayers stated the City receives approximately \$100,000 for Digital Infrastructure and Video Competition Act of 2006 (DIVCA) money and there is no use it or lose it provision.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Hansen, Lt. Todd Patterson confirmed that there are currently 67 sworn police officers, with four in background, and there are 71 authorized. Mr. Bartlam confirmed that federal grant funding has expired and all police officer hiring now comes from the General Fund. A brief discussion ensued regarding the ability to recruit, retain, and process police officers in an effective and efficient manner to ensure there is not a lapse in filling positions.

In response to Council Member Nakanishi, City Attorney Schwabauer provided an overview of the dibromochloropropane (DBCP) settlement, including what the settlement encompasses and the timeframe of the same.

In response to Council Member Johnson, Mr. Bartlam confirmed that the City Council could either keep enough reserves in the utility fund to address any future DBCP liability or take the wells offline.

In response to Council Member Nakanishi, Public Works Director Wally Sandelin stated over the last few years more wells are being impacted by DBCP although staff is operating the wells in a manner to ensure the impact is minimized to the extent possible.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Hansen, Mr. Sandelin stated the biosolids project was completed approximately a year ago and is working as anticipated.

In response to Council Member Johnson, Electric Utility Director Elizabeth Kirkley stated staff

recently went to the Risk Oversight Committee to make additional energy purchases in response to the drought conditions based on the reduction of hydro in the City's portfolio.

In response to Council Member Nakanishi, Ms. Kirkley stated it appears that Californians are using less energy and a large factor is the weather itself versus actual conservation.

In response to Council Member Johnson, Mr. Ayers confirmed that there is a part-time position in Parks and Recreation at the lake that will need to change to a full-time position based on the current need.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Hansen, Mr. Ayers stated the budget takes into account the library remodel project both on the revenue and expenditure side.

In response to Council Member Nakanishi, Mr. Bartlam confirmed that Lodi is the only city in the County that operates its own library. Mr. Schwabauer indicated other cities contract with the County for library services.

C. Comments by Public on Non-Agenda Items

None.

D. Adjournment

No action was taken by the City Council. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 a.m.

ATTEST:

Randi Johl-Olson
City Clerk