

**LODI CITY COUNCIL
SHIRTSLEEVE SESSION
CARNEGIE FORUM, 305 WEST PINE STREET
TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 2012**

A. Roll Call by City Clerk

An Informal Informational Meeting ("Shirtsleeve" Session) of the Lodi City Council was held Tuesday, April 3, 2012, commencing at 7:00 a.m.

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

Absent: Council Member Katzakian

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

B. Topic(s)

B-1 Receive Update on Treatment and Monitoring Activities for PCE/TCE at Central, Southern, Western, and Northern Plumes (PW)

City Manager Bartlam briefly introduced the subject matter of the PCE cleanup program.

Public Works Director Wally Sandelin provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the PCE cleanup program. Specific topics of discussion included plume testing and groundwater monitoring, Southern Plume status, Western Plume status, Northern Plume status, Central Plume status, groundwater trends, shallow zone, intermediate zone, deep zone, permanent facilities, and source area treatment.

In response to Mayor Mounce, Mr. Sandelin stated in the Southern Plume the new well is a monitoring well only for sampling purposes.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. Sandelin stated the monitoring will continue until such time as the City is told by the State to discontinue, which will likely be at least a year.

In response to Mayor Mounce, Mr. Sandelin stated the noise factor with monitoring wells is limited to the actual drilling only as the sampling itself does not have noise.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. Sandelin stated the new wells in the Western Plume are costing more because of the level of drilling and depth.

In response to Council Member Johnson, Mr. Sandelin stated clusters are drilled to different depth levels to determine migration patterns.

In response to Council Member Johnson and Mayor Mounce, City Attorney Schwabauer stated there is a shared data agreement, which was a part of the settlement agreement, and staff is having difficulty getting a hold of Luster-Cal's consultant to force sharing of the data.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. Sandelin stated the water level in the Central Plume is 45 to 50.

In response to Mayor Mounce, Mr. Schwabauer confirmed that the wells in the Central Plume across the street from City Hall are vapor and extraction wells and a brief discussion ensued regarding the noise levels associated with the different types of wells.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Nakanishi, Mr. Sandelin stated that, with respect to the decision-making process for the location of wells in the City, it is a joint effort by the City and the regional board.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. Sandelin stated he is confident the City will continue to have the resources for the cleanup effort and the challenge lies with convincing the regional board that spot treatments are not efficient and cost effective. Further, Mr. Sandelin stated as PCE migrates to the outside of the City boundaries it goes through a degradation and dissolution process whereby it becomes TCE and then DCE, which exists below the required limits. Mr. Sandelin stated the City has been participating in the DCE monitoring program since 2006.

In response to Council Member Johnson, Mr. Sandelin stated the regional board will likely not remove any deep levels of monitoring until it discontinues all monitoring. Mr. Sandelin stated when monitoring ends in specific locations it is negotiated as compliance is shown.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Nakanishi, Mr. Sandelin confirmed the assumption that, even if the City were not involved in PCE/TCE efforts, the City's drinking supply was still safe. Mr. Bartlam stated this assumption is also confirmed by way of monitoring versus action steps. Mr. Schwabauer stated the exact amount of PCE that was originally in the ground is unknown and experts have differing opinions.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. Sandelin stated another groundwater extraction well is being built because the former well design had a shortcoming and another approach is being utilized.

In response to Council Member Johnson, Mr. Sandelin stated the City is spending \$250,000 a year on the Central Plume facility, which is less than originally predicted, and some of the work is being performed by staff while the monitoring is being done by a consultant.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Nakanishi, Mr. Sandelin stated the regional board does have local history with PCE at Lincoln Center in Stockton.

In response to Myrna Wetzel, Mr. Bartlam stated the amount of time for degradation and dissolution is unknown as it took 60 years for the water to travel a few blocks.

In response to Ed Miller, Mr. Schwabauer stated PCE in the Central Plume came from a variety of sources including dry cleaners and Lodi News Sentinel although the exact amount for each is uncertain. Settlement in the Central Plume with the various litigants was \$7 million.

Mr. Sandelin conducted a brief tour of the Central Plume facility located behind the Oddfellows Building on Pine Street across from City Hall.

C. Comments by Public on Non-Agenda Items - None

D. Adjournment

No action was taken by the City Council. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 a.m.

ATTEST:

Randi Johl
City Clerk