

**LODI CITY COUNCIL
SHIRTSLEEVE SESSION
CARNEGIE FORUM, 305 WEST PINE STREET
TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2014**

A. Roll Call by City Clerk

An Informal Informational Meeting ("Shirtsleeve" Session) of the Lodi City Council was held Tuesday, May 20, 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: Interim City Manager Schwabauer, Interim City Attorney Magdich, and City Clerk Johl-Olson

B. Topic(s)

B-1 Receive Presentation Regarding Fiscal Year 2014/15 Budget (CM)

Deputy City Manager Jordan Ayers provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the fiscal year 2014/15 budget. Specific topics of discussion included revenues and expenditures for each of the following special revenue funds: Library, Transit, Streets, Fleet, Community Development, and Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Hansen, Mr. Ayers stated the Library is operating with ten positions.

In response to Council Member Johnson, Traffic Engineer Paula Fernandez explained that Measure K funding has declined because Transportation Development Act (TDA) funding has increased and therefore less Measure K funding is needed to backfill TDA funding.

In response to Council Member Johnson, Ms. Fernandez stated the proposed parking study, which is funded through grant monies, will review options for secure parking for transit vehicles near the station and will include a review of properties and appraisals for those properties.

In response to Council Member Nakanishi, Ms. Fernandez stated the City previously requested Measure K funds because TDA funds were in shortfall and now that TDA funding has increased there are less Measure K funds needed.

In response to Council Member Johnson, Ms. Fernandez stated the vehicle locator equipment is new equipment and funded through grant monies through Proposition 1B.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Hansen, Ms. Fernandez stated bus shelters and stops are improved annually and include roofing for bus shelter and announcements on buses will be automated.

In response to Mayor Katzakian, Mr. Ayers stated facility upgrades include projects such as the transit station restroom improvements.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Hansen, Deputy Public Works Director Charlie Swimley stated the Sacramento Street project is scheduled for completion in early July. A brief discussion ensued regarding access to businesses during the construction period and the efforts of the City and contractor to facilitate accessibility for the businesses.

In response to Council Member Johnson, Mr. Swimley stated work on the Church Street parking lot will begin in June.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Hansen, Mr. Swimley stated the signals for Lockeford and Stockton and Guild and Victor will be designed and installed in the 2015/16 fiscal year.

In response to Council Member Nakanishi, Mr. Ayers provided a brief overview of expenditures charged against specific operating units including fleet.

Council Member Johnson requested a copy of the traffic signal light improvement list when it is completed.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Hansen, Mr. Ayers confirmed that the Neighborhood Services Manager position exists in Community Development and therefore that fund is connected to the Community Development Block Grant funding for administration.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Hansen, Mr. Schwabauer provided an overview of the changes in law related to lighting and landscaping districts based on a general benefit and special benefit assessment.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Hansen, Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services Director Jeff Hood stated he believes the after school program will continue into the future and anticipates the matter coming before the Council for approval in June.

In response to Council Member Nakanishi and Mayor Pro Tempore Hansen, Mr. Ayers and Mr. Schwabauer provided an overview of how the minimum wage increase approved by the State will affect positions in various departments in the City, including part-time positions in the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Katakian, Mr. Hood stated the grant documentation is being completed currently for the Lodi Lake ramp and parking lot project and permitting, design, and construction will follow soon thereafter. Mr. Hood stated that through education and outreach efforts from the Sheriff's office and Police Department, along with the Parks and Recreation Department, conflicts on the lake between motorized and non-motorized users will decrease. Mr. Hood stated related flyers regarding rules and hours will be handed out on Memorial Day weekend.

Council Member Johnson requested a list of City positions that are eligible for retirement now and into the near future.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Hansen, Library Services Director Dean Gualco confirmed that the Library is not a revenue generating department, other than nominal late and rental fee collection, and is wholly supported by the General Fund.

In response to Council Member Johnson, Police Chief Helms stated to his knowledge fees have not been charged for the rental of the community room at the Police Department. Mr. Johnson suggested policies regarding room usage and fees at City facilities be consistent.

Myrna Wetzel spoke in regard to her concerns about the potholes on Main and Pine Streets.

In response to Mayor Katakian, Mr. Swimley stated the potholes near the railroad tracks on Lockeford Street are being looked at by Union Pacific.

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