



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Plans and Specifications and Advertisement for Bids for Security Retrofit of Library Stairwells

MEETING DATE: June 18, 1997

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council approve the plans and specifications for the above project and authorize advertising for bids.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: This project consists of enclosing two existing exterior stairwells at the Lodi Public Library that are presently only protected by short guardrails. One stairwell would be enclosed by adding a steel cage with access gate, while the other would be protected by adding steel fencing and gates to close in the existing patio where it is located. These two stairwells, on the north side of the Library leading to the basement, are a major safety concern. Although built to Code when the Library was constructed in 1977, a large portion of both stairwells is open to the concrete approximately fifteen feet below. Additional safety improvements need to be added for the protection of the public (mainly children). The Public Works Safety Committee has recommended the stairwells be improved, and the Library Board, Library Services Director, Public Works Director, and Building and Equipment Maintenance Superintendent all agree that modifications are needed.

Local architect Scott Dasko was hired to propose alternatives and develop plans and specifications. The plans and specifications are on file in the Public Works Department.

FUNDING: The money for this project will be coming from the Contingency Fund. A request for appropriation of funds will be made at contract award.

Project Estimate:	\$28,000
Budgeted:	This item has not been budgeted.
Planned Bid Opening Date:	July 24, 1997



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