

CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Adopt two Resolutions approving the applications for planning grants from both the California Department of Conservation's Agricultural Land Stewardship Program (ALSP) and the Great Valley Center's Land Use, Economic Development, Growth, Agriculture, Conservation, and Investment (LEGACI) program.

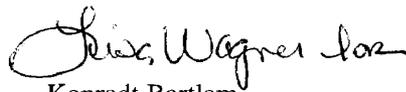
MEETING DATE: February 3, 1999

PREPARED BY: Community Development Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff is recommending that the City Council adopt the attached Resolutions. The resolutions will be incorporated into the City's Agricultural Land Stewardship Program (ALSP) and LEGACI Program grant application packages and forwarded to both the Department of Conservation and the Great Valley Center for the 1999 application period.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: One of the major goals identified by the City Council this past year is the creation of a Greenbelt Policy, to be carried out by the Community Development Department. This Program is the first step in achieving that goal. The planning grants, if approved, will supplement staff's efforts to solidify a policy and subsequent steps carrying out that policy. The Department of Conservation's application manual specifies that, among other things, a "resolution from the governmental jurisdiction in which the project is located endorsing the project and the application for grant funds," be adopted. If our applications are selected, the funding would be used to help pay for the Greenbelt Policy work the Department is currently working toward. As specified in each resolution, some of the activities that will be undertaken are to gather consensus within the community about farmland and open space, identify agricultural land most suitable for preservation efforts, and to evaluate options for maintaining existing farmlands in their current state, in an effort to control further urban sprawl.

FUNDING: No funding request associated with this action.



Konradt Bartlam
Community Development Director

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Attachments

APPROVED: _____



H. Dixon Flynn -- City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 99-21

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL APPROVING
THE APPLICATION FOR A PLANNING GRANT FROM THE
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION'S
AGRICULTURAL LAND STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM FOR
OPEN SPACE/AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION
EFFORTS

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WHEREAS, the Legislature has established the Agricultural Land Stewardship Program within the Department of Conservation, and through a grant program is providing assistance to conserve important agricultural land resources that are subject to conversion pressures; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi intends to implement general plan policies and goals aimed at more actively preserving agricultural land surrounding the City; and

WHEREAS, in order to proceed with the processes of 1) gathering consensus within the community regarding open space, 2) identifying lands most suitable for preservation efforts, and 3) evaluating options for maintaining land in its pre-urbanized state, including purchasing conservation easements, transfer of development rights program, and modifying growth management criteria, the City is seeking a policy/planning grant to augment staff.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Lodi does hereby approve the filing of an application for funding from the Agricultural Land Stewardship Program. Funds, if awarded, will be used to evaluate and implement options for conserving agricultural lands south of Lodi, between Lodi and North Stockton.

Dated: February 3, 1999

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 99-21 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held February 3, 1999, by the following vote:

- AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hitchcock, Mann, Nakanishi, Pennino and Land (Mayor)
- NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None
- ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None
- ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None


ALICE M. REIMCHE
City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 99-22

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL
APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR A PLANNING
GRANT FROM THE GREAT VALLEY CENTER'S LEGACI
PROGRAM FOR OPEN SPACE/AGRICULTURAL LAND
PRESERVATION EFFORTS

WHEREAS, the Great Valley Center is a non-profit corporation created to support activities and organizations that promote the economic well being of California's Central Valley, and through a grant supporting projects and programs in the areas of Land Use, Economic Development, Growth, Agriculture, Conservation, and Investment (LEGACI); and

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi intends to implement general plan policies and goals aimed at more actively preserving agricultural land surrounding the City; and

WHEREAS, in order to proceed with the processes of 1) gathering consensus within the community regarding open space, 2) identifying lands most suitable for preservation efforts, and 3) evaluating options for maintaining land in its pre-urbanized state, including purchasing conservation easements, transfer of development rights program, and modifying growth management criteria, the City is seeking a policy/planning grant to augment staff.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Lodi does hereby approve the filing of an application for funding from the LEGACI Program. Funds, if awarded, will be used to evaluate and implement options for conserving agricultural lands south of Lodi, between Lodi and North Stockton.

Dated: February 3, 1999

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 99-22 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held February 3, 1999, by the following vote:

- AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hitchcock, Mann, Nakanishi, Pennino and Land (Mayor)
- NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None
- ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None
- ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

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