



# CITY OF LODI

## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

**AGENDA TITLE:** Specifications and Advertisement for Bids for Engineering Plotter for the Electric Utility Department

**MEETING DATE:** June 5, 1996

**SUBMITTED BY:** Electric Utility Director

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** That the City Council approve the specifications and authorize the advertisement for bids for one Hewlett Packard DesignJet 750C color inkjet plotter for the Electric Utility Department's Engineering Division.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** Inkjet plotter technology provides the capability to produce complex drawings in under ten minutes, compared to an average 45-minute output from a standard pen plotter.

In addition, color plotting will allow clear definition of electrical system components, such as locations of switches, breakers, transformers, primary and secondary distribution cables, as well as other public utility installations. Finally, specification of the HP DesignJet provides consistency in supplies ordering and inventory, since the Public Works Engineering Division also uses an HP DesignJet plotter.

This budgeted item will supplement the Division's five-year-old pen plotter, and will provide network connectivity for multiple users.

**FUNDING:** Budget Account: 16.0-604.13-501  
Amount Budgeted: \$9,000

**BID OPENING:** June 19, 1996

Alan N. Vallow, Electric Utility Director

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

H. DIXON FLYNN  
City Manager