



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Adopt a Resolution in Support of Continued Enhanced School Public Safety Programs of the Lodi Police Department

MEETING DATE: February 6, 2002

SUBMITTED BY: Police Chief

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council adopt a Resolution in support of continued enhanced school public safety programs of the Lodi Police Department.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The City of Lodi, in Partnership with Lodi Unified School District, provide public safety programs to schools in order that the youth in our community are aware of safety issues. These partnership programs include gang intervention, violence prevention, home-alone workshops, and other educational services. In addition, the City Council has supported School Resource Officers (SRO's) through the COPS grants by adding an officer this fiscal year. The Police Department now has four SRO's on staff that work day-to-day with the Lodi Unified School District.

In an effort to recognize the City's commitment to these programs and services, it would be appropriate that the Council adopt the attached Resolution further describing the Lodi Police Department's work.

FUNDING: Not Applicable.

Respectfully,

Jerry J. Adams
Police Chief

Attachment

cc: Bill Huyett, LUSD Superintendent

APPROVED: _____

H. Dixon Flynn -- City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-24

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL IN
SUPPORT OF ENHANCED SCHOOL PUBLIC SAFETY
PROGRAMS OF THE LODI POLICE DEPARTMENT

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WHEREAS, the City of Lodi is, and has been, committed to partnering with the Lodi Unified School District for community-oriented policing and public safety programs, including those geared toward our City's youth; and

WHEREAS, the goal of expanding and enhancing the scope of educational efforts to inform our young children is to make our beautiful community a safer place for them to live and play; and

WHEREAS, programs such as community policing, the home alone workshop, babysitting workshop, and several other quality programs help children to cope with the pressures placed upon them and be provided the tools to make responsible decisions; and

WHEREAS, the possibility also exists for existing community-policing officers to introduce conflict resolution techniques into discussions with students; and

WHEREAS, the Lodi Police Department's School Resource Officer (SRO) Program, in conjunction with Lodi Unified School District, exists to provide effective tools and resources for gang intervention, violence prevention, accident prevention, and the City Council has increased the number of SRO's from three to four officers this fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the possibility exists for existing community-policing officers to assist schools with emerging public safety issues, either on campus or in the greater community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lodi City Council does hereby continue to support the ongoing programs and efforts of the Lodi Police Department and its partnership with the Lodi Unified School District for Public Safety Programs.

Dated: February 6, 2002

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2002-24 was passed and adopted by the Lodi City Council in a regular meeting held February 6, 2002 by the following vote:

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


SUSAN J. BLACKSTON
City Clerk