



# CITY OF LODI

## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

**AGENDA TITLE:** Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into a professional services agreement with RBF Consulting for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report to analyze impacts associated with a proposed commercial center at the northwest corner of Lower Sacramento Road and Kettleman Lane.

**MEETING DATE:** November 20, 2002

**PREPARED BY:** City Planner

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Authorize the City Manager to enter into a professional services agreement with RBF Consulting for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report to analyze impacts associated with a proposed commercial center at the northwest corner of Lower Sacramento Road and Kettleman Lane.

**BACKGROUND:** At their special meeting of September 12, 2002, the Planning Commission decided that an Environmental Impact Report was the appropriate level of review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act. In response, staff sent out a Request for Qualifications to 5 firms on September 18, 2002. A total of 4 firms submitted statements of qualifications. After reviewing the qualifications of the key team members of each firm with the project need and schedule, staff found that RBF Consulting was the most qualified firm. RBF will act as an extension of city staff and will provide an independent analysis of the projects foreseeable impacts. As such, the contract will be administered by the City. Because much of the background analysis for an E.I.R. is already completed, a draft E.I.R. is expected to be available for public comment in February 2003. The final E.I.R. is tentatively scheduled to be brought to the Council in April or May 2003.

**FUNDING:** None required. The project proponent will deposit sufficient funds to the City for the cost of the report.

Konradt Bartlam  
Community Development Director

Prepared by:

JDH

**APPROVED:**

H. Dixon Flynn -- City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-229

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH RBF CONSULTING FOR THE PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT TO ANALYZE IMPACTS ASSOCIATED WITH A PROPOSED COMMERCIAL CENTER AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOWER SACRAMENTO ROAD AND KETTLEMAN LANE

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lodi City Council does hereby authorize the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with RBF Consulting for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report to analyze impacts associated with a proposed commercial center at the northwest corner of Lower Sacramento Road and Kettleman Lane.

Dated: November 20, 2002

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2002-229 was passed and adopted by the Lodi City Council in a regular meeting held November 20, 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