



**CITY OF LODI
COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

AGENDA TITLE: Approval of Special Allocation for Expenses Incurred by Outside Counsel Relative to the Environmental Abatement Program Litigation

MEETING DATE: April 12, 2004 Special City Council Meeting

PREPARED BY: Steve Schwabauer, Interim City Attorney

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council approve Special Allocation for expenses incurred by outside counsel relative to the Environmental Abatement Program litigation in the amount of \$196,951.05.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Over the past three months, the City hired Barger & Wolen to begin the review of the Envision Law Group invoices, and assist the Mayor and the Interim City Attorney with the various aspects of that assignment. The City Council also hired the law firm of Kronick, Moskovitz, Tiedemann & Girard to assist with the ongoing Environmental Abatement litigation and other miscellaneous litigation cases that are presently active and perform some of the duties of the Deputy City Attorney as required.

The following is a list of invoices that are currently outstanding and need to be approved for payment.

1)	Barger & Wolen	\$ 94,009.49
2)	San Francisco Legal Copy & Imaging (Copy Costs incurred by Barger & Wolen of Envision Invoices for Period February 1999 through June 2002	\$ 2,004.98
3)	Kronick, Moskovitz, Tiedemann & Girard	<u>\$100,936.58</u>
	Total	\$196,951.05

FUNDING: Water Fund 183453.7323

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H. Dixon Flynn, City Manager