



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Denial of Verified Claim(s) against the City of Lodi

MEETING DATE: August 20, 2003

SUBMITTED BY: Human Resources Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: To approve by motion action, denial of the following verified claim(s) filed against the City of Lodi:

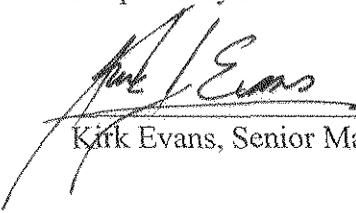
A) Maria Van Meter

DOL: 6/29/03

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Following review of the verified claims filed Against the City of Lodi, the City's contract administrator, DB Claims and the Human Resources staff, recommend that the City deny the subject claims.

FUNDING: None Required.

Respectfully submitted,


Kirk Evans, Senior Management Analyst

cc: City Attorney

APPROVED: _____


H. Dixon Flynn -- City Manager

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Notice of Claim Rejection

August 21, 2003

FILE COPY

Maria Van Meter

RE: Claim against the City of Lodi

Claimant: Maria Van Meter

Date of Loss: 6/29/03

Our Claim Number: 841-03

Dear Claimant:

Notice is hereby given that the claim you presented to the City of Lodi on July 29, 2003 is rejected as of the date of this letter.

Notice

Subject to certain exemptions, you have only six (6) months from the date that this notice was personally delivered or deposited in the mail to file a court action on your state law claims. See Government Code §945.6. The six month time limit referred to in this notice applies only to claims or causes of action which are governed by the California Tort Claims Act which does not apply to federal causes of action. Additionally, the Tort Claims Act contains certain exemptions. You may seek the advice of an attorney of your choice in connection with this matter. If you desire to consult with an attorney, you should do so immediately.

Please also be advised that, pursuant to §128.7 and §1038 of the California Code of Civil Procedure, the City will seek to recover all costs of defense in the event an action is filed in this matter and it is determined that the action was not brought in good faith and with reasonable cause.

Sincerely,



Susan J. Blackston

City Clerk

cc: City Attorney
Risk Manager
Jerry Mahaffey, DB Claims