



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to extend the Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership (EUD)

MEETING DATE: May 7, 2003

PREPARED BY: Electric Utility Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to extend the Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Since 1999, the City of Lodi has offered Public Benefit Program grants and/or rebates for small commercial customers. These grant dollars are for specific energy efficiency improvement measures, including: window tinting, shade screens, awning covers, attic insulation, weather-stripping, lighting, mechanical system upgrades, and refrigeration maintenance checks.

By way of this Council action, the Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership would be extended until funds are exhausted. The funding to extend this program (\$15,000) has been provided by a grant from the California Energy Commission, via Senate Bill (SB) 5X. SB 5X is energy conservation legislation adopted by the California Legislature, and signed into law by Governor Davis in 2001.

Since the inception of the Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership, over 200 small businesses in Lodi have participated in this program. Average energy savings per project range from 5 percent, to as much as 20 percent, depending upon the scope of the energy efficiency improvements installed.

The City of Lodi Electric Utility staff respectfully recommends approval of this item.

FUNDING: Not applicable

Alan N. Vallow
Electric Utility Director

PREPARED BY: Rob Lechner, Manager of Customer Service & Programs

ANV/RL/1st

C: City Attorney

APPROVED:

H. Dixon Flynn - City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-80

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PROVIDE A PUBLIC BENEFITS PROGRAM GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000.00 TO EXTEND THE LODI SMALL BUSINESS ENERGY SERVICES PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the state has mandated that beginning January 1, 1998, the City of Lodi is obligated to fund various programs through a Public Benefits Charge (PBC) based on a historical electric revenue requirement; and

WHEREAS, the requirement amounts to approximately \$1M per year that must be dedicated to qualifying programs such as energy efficiency. A further stipulation is that these efforts must be done on the customer's side of the meter in order to qualify; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi's Public Benefits Program is comprised of four segments or customer groups: commercial/industrial, residential, community/non-profit, and municipal; and

WHEREAS, since 1999, the City of Lodi has offered Public Benefit Program grants and/or rebates for small commercial customers. These grant dollars are for specific energy efficiency improvement measures, including: window tinting, shade screens, awning covers, attic insulation, weather stripping, lighting, mechanical system upgrades, and refrigeration maintenance checks; and

WHEREAS, to date, over 200 small businesses have participated in this rebate program. The average small business customer can anticipate energy savings per project range from 5% to as much as 20%, depending upon the energy efficiency improvements installed; and

WHEREAS, the Electric Utility Department recommends providing the Public Benefits Grant in the amount of \$15,000.00 extending the Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership grant and continuing until designated funds are exhausted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to provide a Public Benefits Program Grant in the amount of \$15,000.00 to extend the Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership Program.

Dated: May 7, 2003

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2003-80 was passed and adopted by the Lodi City Council in a regular meeting held May 7, 2003, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Beckman, Hansen, Howard, Land, and Mayor Hitchcock

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None


SUSAN J. BLACKSTON
City Clerk