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CITY COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 17, 1986

CARE AND SAFETY OF
DUCKS AT LODI LAKE
PARK

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Sometime ago Council had received a letter from Lori Blanke on the care of the ducks at Lodi Lake Park requesting fishing restrictions at the lake. The matter was referred to the Recreation Commission and to Staff for investigation and report.

Ms. Blanke was informed that the ducks are currently fed twice a day and that the City has a working relationship with the Micke Grove Zoo and a Zoological Society through the County to take care of injured or wounded animals, birds, etc. which are nursed back to health and released, accordingly, back into the wild.

Ms. Blanke has indicated to Staff that she was satisfied that all was being done that could reasonably be expected and that she did not wish to pursue the concern any further.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

TO: THE CITY COUNCIL
FROM: THE CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

DATE:
December 17, 1986

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SUBJECT:
CARE AND SAFETY OF DUCKS AT LODI LAKE PARK

PREPARED BY: City Manager

RECOMMENDED ACTION: None required. Information only.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: At its regular meeting of November 5, 1986, the City Council received a letter by a Lodi resident concerned about the care and safety of the ducks at Lodi Lake Park. The matter was referred to staff for review and response. Attached for the Council's information is a copy of a report prepared by the Parks and Recreation Director which serves to put the matter to rest.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas A. Peterson
City Manager

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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Tom Peterson, City Manager

FROM: Ron Williamson, Director, Recreation and Parks *RW*

SUBJECT: Duck Care and Fishing Concern at Lodi Lake Park

DATE: December 10, 1986

Tom, this will bring you and the Council up-to-date on the concern of Lori Blanke on the care of the ducks and her request for fishing restrictions at Lodi Lake Park.

As per your direction, the matter was put on the agenda of the Parks and Recreation Commission on Tuesday, December 2. Ms. Blanke called my office on the day of the Commission meeting, indicating she could not attend the meeting that evening but wanted information regarding the feeding program and care of the ducks at Lodi Lake. I informed her that the ducks are currently fed twice a day, 5 gallons of feed each feeding, and that we have a working relationship with the Micke Grove Zoo and a Zoological Society through the county to take care of injured or wounded animals, birds, etc., which are nursed back to health and released accordingly back into the wild. Ms. Blanke indicated her satisfaction with this program.

In relation to stopping or reducing fishing at Lodi Lake, she stated it would be very difficult because not only would you have to stop fishing in the Lake but in the river as well, which is under County control, and it would take away the leisure opportunities of many senior citizens, youth, and the general public. After this discussion regarding the fishing question and being very comfortable with the care and welfare of the ducks by our Department, she concluded her call by saying she was satisfied that all was being done that could reasonably be expected.

She indicated she did not want to pursue the concern any further. I reported the above to the Commission and they were satisfied with the above action.

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November 11, 1986

Ms. Lori Blanke
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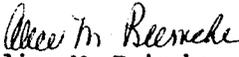
Dear Ms. Blanke:

Please be advised that your letter addressed to the Lodi City Council of October 20, 1986 was presented at the November 5, 1986 Council meeting.

Following discussion, Council referred the matter to Staff and the Recreation Commission for review and recommendation.

You will be apprised when the recommendations are presented to the Council. Please do not hesitate to call this office should you have any questions regarding this matter.

Very truly yours,


Alice M. Reinche
City Clerk

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REGAL PET TREATS

LORI BLANKE
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20 October 1986

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Dear Council Members:

In today's News-Sentinel there was an article regarding the ducks at Lodi Lake.

I am writing to you to request that you prohibit fishing in Lodi Lake. Since the lake is drained each year the fishing is negligible. The ducks are experiencing health problems and dying because of fishing line, hooks, etc.

As a lifetime resident of Lodi, I want to see Lodi Lake continue as I remember it. Keep the ducks.

I have contacted the State Department of Fish & Game and Supervisor Barber. Please work together to see that the ducks enjoy a wonderful life.

Please let me know what I can do to see that fishing is prohibited at Lodi Lake and the ducks are happy and healthy.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,



LORI BLANKE
REGAL PET TREATS

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