

JOINT MEETING  
CITY COUNCIL AND THE  
LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
HUTCHINS STREET SQUARE, FINE ARTS BUILDING  
125 SOUTH HUTCHINS STREET, LODI  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1996  
10:00 A.M.

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members - Mann, Pennino, and Warner (Mayor)

Absent: Council Members - Davenport and Sieglock

Present: Library Board Members - Duncan, Farron, Goad and Sullivan

Absent: Library Board Members - Devencenzi

Also Present: City Manager Flynn, Librarian Andrade, Manager Adult Services Martinez,  
Finance Director McAthie, City Attorney Hays and City Clerk Perrin

2. DISCUSSION REGARDING PROPOSED 1996/97 LIBRARY BUDGET

Mayor Warner convened the meeting at approximately 10:10 a.m. and turned the opening comments to the Library Board. Board Member Sullivan explained to the City Council that the Library is facing an approximately \$200,000 shortfall in the upcoming budget (fiscal year 1996/97). Recently the County Board of Supervisors placed on the ballot for special election in June the issue regarding 1/8¢ sale tax to be used toward libraries in San Joaquin County. If the election is successful, the Lodi City Library could receive \$700,000 - \$750,000 per year. However, if the election fails, the Library must pay its share of the cost of the election in the area of \$40,000. Therefore, the Library's shortfall in fiscal year 1996/97 may possibly be \$250,000±. With that in mind, the Library is forced to consider drastic measures to address this shortfall. Librarian Andrade presented the City Council with an overview of its budget and services and options on cutting costs. The cuts could include the following: reduction in staffing due to layoffs, reduction of part-time hours, cuts in programs and reduction in operating hours of the Library. The Library Board has yet to decide on specifics.

Following discussion, it was agreed that the Library will coordinate fine-tuning its budget with the City Manager and Finance Director. Further, the City Council was encouraged to bring any concerns or suggestions it had to the City Manager and Finance Director prior to discussion in open session. Therefore, a majority of the issues will be ironed out prior to the Library budget presentation in April.

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3. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Warner adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:45 a.m.

ATTEST:

Jennifer M. Perrin  
City Clerk