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CITY OF LOMITA CITY COUNCIL REPORT

To: City Council Date: February 6, 2006
From: Tracy Bonano, Assistant to the City Administrator
Subject: Water Reservoir and Treatment Plant Capital Improvement Project Report #45

RECOMMENDATION

Receive and file.

BACKGROUND

This Cypress Street Reservoir Progress Meeting, (PM) #45, was held January 31, 2006 at Lomita City Hall. PM #46 is scheduled to convene February 27, 2006 at 1:30 P.M. The project team members attending this January 31st meeting include Tom A. Odom - City Administrator, Tracy Bonano – Assistant to the City Administrator, Glen Kau – Public Works Director, Gary Sugano – Community Development Director, Gary Roepke – Willdan Project Manager, Mike Cope – Chandler Project Manager, Steve Conklin – Tetra Tech Design Engineer, Matt Collings – Tetra Tech Design Engineer and John Bellis – Willdan EIR Associate Planner.

ANALYSIS

Amongst several items discussed at the meeting, this report features only the installation of an emergency generator, reservoir structure aesthetics and the de-annexation/annexation of the reservoir site from the City of Rolling Hills Estates (RHE) to the City of Lomita.

As discussed in prior meetings, an emergency generator to power the reservoir during a power outage is a necessity. After revision of its original emergency generator proposal, Tetra Tech provided Staff with what is considered a satisfactory plan. Subsequently, on February 6, 2006, a staff report and Tetra Tech's proposal will be submitted to City Council for approval.

Second, when dealing with the outer appearance, the design of the reservoir must be as aesthetically pleasing to as many residents, businesses and neighboring jurisdictions as possible. Therefore, Tetra Tech has retained Gillis & Associates, a well respected architectural firm, to provide several artistic renderings based on Staff recommendations and its own vision of what will blend in well with the City's past and current architectural structures. Said renderings are scheduled to be presented to Staff by February 16, 2006.

Finally, since the reservoir is actually located within the boundaries of RHE, Lomita legal counsel suggested that a de-annexation of the site from RHE with an annexation to the City of Lomita be implemented. Currently, Lomita's Community Development Director is working with legal counsel, RHE staff and other affected agencies to bring together a plan for that process to take place.

ALTERNATIVES

None. Information only. Receive and file.

FISCAL IMPACT

None. Information only. Receive and file.

Recommended by:

Approved by

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