

**CITY OF LODI
INFORMAL INFORMATIONAL MEETING
"SHIRTSLEEVE" SESSION
CARNEGIE FORUM, 305 WEST PINE STREET
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2024**

An Informal Informational Meeting ("Shirtsleeve" Session) of the Lodi City Council was held Tuesday, February 13, 2024, commencing at 7:05 a.m.

A. ROLL CALL

Present: Council Member Hothi, Council Member Nakanishi, Mayor Pro Tempore Bregman, and Mayor Craig

Absent: Council Member Yopez

Also Present: Interim City Manager Keys, City Attorney Lucchesi and City Clerk Nashed

B. TOPIC(S)

B-1 Receive Information Introducing Proposed New Business Registration Program (FIN)

Accounting Manager Melissa Munoz provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the proposed new Business Registration program. Specific topics of discussion included background information, changes to the program to include bringing the program into conformance with Proposition 218 requirements and correction of minor grammatical and clarity issues, revenue generation goal of old program with license being based on gross receipts, new program to be a single fee for cost recovery of administration of the program, breakdown of the \$25 fee, the need for the program, implementation timeline, and previous exemptions.

Interim City Manager Keys provided additional information regarding home occupancy businesses and rental property.

Economic Development Director Luis Aguilar, City Attorney Lucchesi, and Interim City Manager Keys provided clarification in response to Council Member Hothi, Council Member Nakanishi, Mayor Pro Tempore Bregman, and Mayor Craig.

B-2 Receive Community Results from Use of Budget Simulation Balancing Act (FIN)

Budget Manager Lisa Noffsinger provided background information regarding the budget simulation Balancing Act. Budget Analyst Jennelle Baker provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the results from community participation in the Balancing Act. Specific topics of discussion included timeline; public availability of the budget simulation; public outreach; public feedback for future budgets; participation by Council District, age group, and gender; top public priorities for unfunded and General Fund increases and decreases; comparison of increases and decreases by department; overview of comments by department; and the video provided for the public on the Balancing Act.

C. COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Eric Stubbert, Principal of Lodi Academy, spoke regarding traffic safety on South Central Avenue, including the lack of need for bike lanes for students, the need to keep the turn lane, and Lodi Academy's desire to be involved in the solution of traffic issues.

Interim City Manager Keys provided a recap of traffic mitigation efforts taken by the City on South Central Avenue adjacent to Lodi Academy.

D. ADJOURNMENT

No action was taken by the City Council. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 a.m.

ATTEST:

Olivia Nashed
City Clerk