

Lompoc City Council Agenda Item



Date: June 17, 2008

TO: Gary P. Keefe, City Administrator

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SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ORDERING OF SERVICES AND IMPROVEMENTS, AND LEVY OF THE ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-09 FOR THE CITY OF LOMPOC "PARK MAINTENANCE AND CITY POOL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2002-01" AND PROPOSED ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 5482(08) APPROVING THE ENGINEER'S REPORT, CONFIRMING THE DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENT AND ORDERING LEVY OF ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-09 FOR THE "PARK MAINTENANCE AND CITY POOL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2002-01".

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the recommendation of the Director of Parks, Recreation and Urban Forestry that the City Council hold a public hearing for the proposed continuation of the assessments for the Park Maintenance and City Pool Assessment District No. 2002-01 in order to receive any public input on the proposed continuation of the assessments, the proposed assessment budget for fiscal year 2008-09 and the services and improvements the assessments fund, and any other issues related to the assessments.

After the close of the public hearing to consider the ordering of improvements and maintenance services, and the levy of the assessments for fiscal year 2008-09, it is recommended that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 5482 (08), approving the Engineer's Report, confirming the diagram and assessments for fiscal year 2008-09 for the "Park Maintenance and City Pool Assessment District No. 2002-01".

BACKGROUND:

In the spring of 2002, the City developed a proposed assessment for funding a portion of the cost of a new community swimming pool, park improvements and other park and recreation maintenance services. This proposed assessment, the "Park Maintenance and City Pool Assessment District No. 2002-01", was approved by property owners in an assessment ballot proceeding conducted during June through August of 2002. In August 2002, the balloting period was closed and since a weighted majority of ballots returned were in support of the proposed assessment, the Council approved and levied the assessments.

The assessments can be levied annually and can be increased by the change in the Los Angeles Area Consumer Price Index, not to exceed 3% per year. Since 2002-03, the assessments have been levied annually and are providing important revenues needed to fund the new community swimming pool as well as

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other park and recreation improvements and services.

In order to continue to levy the assessments, the Council, on March 4, 2008, directed SCI Consulting Group, the assessment engineer, to prepare an Engineer's Report for fiscal year 2008-09. This Engineer's Report, which includes the proposed budget for the assessments for fiscal year 2008-09 and the updated proposed assessments for each parcel in the City, was completed and filed with the City on April 22, 2008. The proposed assessments for fiscal year 2008-09 are \$22.41 per single family equivalent benefit unit. The total amount of revenues that would be generated by the assessments in fiscal year 2008-09 is approximately \$264,028.

On May 20, 2008, the Council approved Resolution 5472 (08), a resolution of the City's Intention to levy assessments For Fiscal Year 2008-09, preliminarily approve an Engineer's Report, and provide notice of a Public Hearing for the "Park Maintenance and City Pool Assessment District No. 2002-01" for Fiscal Year 2008-09. This resolution preliminarily approved the Engineer's Report and the budget and proposed assessments therein. It also set June 17, 2008 as the date for a public hearing on the continuation of the assessments. This public hearing was noticed by publication in the Lompoc Record on June 3, 2008.

DISCUSSION:

It is recommended that the Council hold a public hearing on the proposed continuation of the assessments. After due consideration of any public comments regarding the proposed continuation of the assessments and the improvements and services funded by the assessments, it is recommended that the Council approve Resolution 5482 (08) to levy the assessments for fiscal year 2008-09 and to direct additional actions related to the levy of the assessments. City staff and a representative from SCI Consulting Group will be available at the Council meeting to answer any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan McCaffrey, Director
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APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL TO CITY COUNCIL:

Gary P. Keefe, City Administrator