Lompoc City Council Agenda Item

Date: May 1, 2006

TO: Gary P. Keefe, City Administrator

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SUBJECT: PROPOSED ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 5334 (06) OF INTENTION TO LEVY

ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006-07, PRELIMINARILY APPROVE AN ENGINEER'S REPORT, AND PROVIDE NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PARK MAINTENANCE AND CITY POOL ASSESSMENT NO. 2002-01

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the recommendation of the Director of Parks, Recreation and Urban Forestry that the City Council adopt Resolution 5334 (06) to preliminarily approve the Engineer's Report and provide for notice of 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 2006-07 and the services and improvements the assessments fund, and any other issues related to the assessments.

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 other park and recreation improvements and services.



In order to continue to levy the assessments, the Council, on March 21, 2006, directed SCI Consulting Group, the assessment engineer, to prepare an Engineer's Report for fiscal year 2006-07. This Engineer's Report, which includes the proposed budget for the assessments for fiscal year 2006-07 and the updated proposed assessments for each parcel in the City, was completed and filed with the City on May 8, 2006. The amount of the annual increase in the CPI-U is 5.42%, the authorized maximum levy rate for fiscal year 2006-07 is 3.00% above the maximum levy rate for fiscal year 2005-06. Including the authorized annual adjustment, the maximum authorized assessment rate for fiscal year 2006-07 is \$21.13 per single family equivalent. The levy rate proposed for fiscal year 2006-07 is \$21.12 and is less than the maximum levy rate. The total amount of revenues that would be generated by the assessments in fiscal year 2006-07 is approximately \$244,911.

DISCUSSION:

It is recommended that the Council approve Resolution 5334 (06) to levy the assessments for fiscal year 2006-07 and to direct additional actions related to the levy of the assessments. City staff and a representative from Shilts Consultants, Inc. will be available at the Council meeting to answer any questions.

Respectfully submitted,
Dan McCaffrey, Director Parks, Recreation & Urban Forestry Department
APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL TO CITY COUNCIL:
Gary P. Keefe, City Administrator

Attachment 1 Proposed Resolution 5334 (06) Attachment 2 Proposed Preliminary Engineer's Report For Fiscal Year 2006-07 Levy