

**LODI CITY COUNCIL  
SHIRTSLEEVE SESSION  
CARNEGIE FORUM, 305 WEST PINE STREET  
TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2019**

A. Roll Call by City Clerk

An Informal Informational Meeting ("Shirtsleeve" Session) of the Lodi City Council was held Tuesday, July 16, 2019, commencing at 7:04 a.m.

Present: Council Member Mounce, Council Member Nakanishi, Mayor Pro Tempore Kuehne, and Mayor Chandler

Absent: Council Member Johnson

Also Present: City Manager Schwabauer, City Attorney Magdich, and City Clerk Ferraiolo

NOTE: Council Member Mounce participated in the meeting via teleconference.

B. Topic(s)

B-1 Receive Update on Sustainable Groundwater Management Act and Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority (PW)

Water Plant Superintendent Travis Kahrs provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding Sustainable Groundwater Management Act and Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority. Specific topics of discussion included past Council actions; milestones; public outreach efforts; current situation; Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) framework; primary GSP goal; GSP content - description, plan area, basin setting, and Sustainable Management criteria; sustainability results; hydrogeologic model simulation; future sustainability projects; and next steps.

Council Member Nakanishi stated that, while it is good that Lodi is part of this GSP and the broader picture, Lodi likely could have served as its own agency. Mr. Kahrs explained that, if Lodi were its own agency, it would not have needed to do the technical monitoring or the programs; however, it would be required to work with all of the other agencies to ensure all of the GSPs match up with one another's and that the Department of Water Resources accepts Lodi's plan. In further response, Public Works Director Charlie Swimley stated that, when it expires, the water agreement with Woodbridge Irrigation District (WID) has an option to extend for an additional 40 years and he anticipates there will be no problem doing so based on the positive relationship between the City and WID. Council Member Nakanishi stated citizens should realize that past Councils made good decisions on Lodi's water, which will continue to protect the City for the next 80 years or more.

In response to Council Member Mounce, Mr. Swimley stated that in total the GSP cost \$2 million, some of which came from the County of San Joaquin, some from grants, and some from each entity within the Groundwater Sustainability Agency. Lodi's total share of the GSP was roughly \$16,000. Further, he stated the public outreach meeting at Hutchins Street Square was mostly educational with few direct questions regarding the GSP. Council Member Mounce stated she would be in favor of an additional Shirtsleeve Session on this subject to discuss any changes to the GSP that take place during the public comment period.

Myrna Wetzel, member of the public, questioned whether it was true or not that it takes 25 years for rain on a specific day to make it into the aquifer, to which Mr. Kahrs stated that is an exaggerated number and is likely much quicker. Mr. Swimley further explained that aquifers are like sponges, some are more dense than others, which can affect how long it takes for water to make its way through, and soil types vary and that will affect how quickly water is absorbed also.

C. Comments by Public on Non-Agenda Items

None.

D. Adjournment

No action was taken by the City Council. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 a.m.

ATTEST:

Jennifer M. Ferraiolo  
City Clerk