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Staff Report

Item # _____

To: Lemoore City Council
From: David Wlaschin, Director of Public Works
Date: March 16, 2007
Subject: Local Transportation Fund Share

Background:

The City has received a notice from Kings County Association of Government (KCAG) regarding Fiscal Year 2007-08 Local Transportation Fund (LTF) Claims. LTF shares are based on annual Department of Finance population estimates. The City's share of streets and roads, based upon the May 2006 population estimate of 23,388, is \$538,278. This figure will be amended when the 2007 population estimate is released in May. Attached is an Article 8 Claim Form requesting Lemoore's share of funds.

KCAG also included an Article 3 Claim Form for Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities funding. However, this year, as in the past, none of the agencies will be requesting these funds to be separated from the general LTF shares. This procedure allows all agencies to use these monies where needed and ties no strings for its use. Staff recommends that the City of Lemoore not request funds under Article 3.

As part of the requirements to request funds under Article 8, the City must provide a list of those projects for which the funds will be used. The attached schedule of Capital Improvement Projects is a listing from the 2006 budget.

All agencies filing a claim for funds are required to hold a public hearing to determine if unmet transit needs exist within their jurisdiction. The Kings County Area Public Transit Agency (KCAPTA) will hold public hearings on March 22 and April 26, 2007 on behalf of its member agencies.

Budget Impact:

Out of the \$538,278, the City will receive \$125,297, which is to be used for local streets and roads. The remaining funds will go to KART and KCAG.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Council:

1. Approve the environmental documentation.
2. Pass and adopt the attached Resolution making a determination regarding public transit needs and designating the City Manager to submit the TDA claim application.