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Staff Report

ITEM NO. 6

To: City Council
From: Nanci Lima, City Clerk
Date: December 2, 2008
Subject: City Council Reorganization

Discussion:

Now that the new Council is seated it is time for the reorganization of the Council, the election of the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem. While Lemoore's Municipal Code is silent on the election of the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem; the City's practice is that every 2 years there is an election of Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem among the Council Members.

Duties of the Mayor included:

1. The Mayor presides over the regular and special meetings of the Council.
2. The Mayor also has the authority to call special Council meetings.
3. The Mayor has the authority to suppress disorderly conduct at meetings held in the Council Chambers with the aid of the Police Chief or a police officer.
4. Committee/Commission appointments by the Mayor are subject to the approval of two-thirds of the Council Members present.
5. The Mayor is required to sign all ordinances, resolutions and City Council minutes.
6. Represents the City at Civic and Community functions (proclamations etc.)

The Mayor Pro Tem assumes the duties of the Mayor when the Mayor is not available.

Reorganization Procedure:

1. The Mayor declares that the next item of business shall be the selection of a Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem for the upcoming two years and turns the meeting over to the City Clerk for the purpose of electing a new Mayor.
2. The City Clerk declares that nominations are in order for the office of Mayor. The City Clerk accepts nominations; and a second to the nomination(s). If there are no further nominations, the City clerk will close the nominations and take a roll call vote. If there is more than one nomination, a vote will be taken in the order of the nomination. Following the vote(s), the City Clerk declares the Mayor elected.
3. The newly elected Mayor takes the gavel and presides over the election of the Mayor Pro Tem in the same manner as outlined for the Mayor.

After the reorganization of the Council is complete, we would like to adjourn to a brief reception in Council Chambers lobby to thank our outgoing Council Members and welcome our new Council Members.

Budget Impact:

The City Council Members receive at stipend of \$300.00 per month, the Mayor receives an additional \$100.00 per month for a total of \$400.00 per month.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the City Council initiate the process for the election of the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem.