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To: Lemoore City Council **Item 3D**
From: Joe Simonson, Parks & Recreation Director
Date: March 12, 2008
Subject: Vacation of Sara Drive (Formerly LLMD Zone 4 Walkway Property)

Discussion:

As you may recall, in October of 2006 staff began the process of community meetings to dissolve LLMD Zone 4 and vacate the walkway property from Spring Lane through the Park Place Apartment Complex to Hanford – Armona Road. The walkway was initially a necessity as a safe school route to Meadow Lane and with the addition of Cinnamon Elementary School the children’s need to cross Hanford – Armona Road ceased. Currently the property is bound on the south side by the apartment complex’s block wall. Through out the process area residents were asked to provide input on the dissolution of Zone 4 and vacation of walk way.

At the December 19, 2006 Council Meeting, City Staff provided options and recommendations and City Council heard testimony from the Park Place Apartment Manager and the two bordering residents. Staff was directed to begin the process to dissolve LLMD Zone 4 which included Park Place Apartments building a block wall, the City removing all improvements and the property divided between the two property owners. At the August 27, 2007 City Council meeting a Resolution of Intent 2007-35 to dissolve the LLMD Zone 4 of the City of Lemoore was approved under the Landscape and Lighting Act of 1972, Part Two of Division 15 of the Streets and Highways Code (beginning with Section 22610). At the September 18, 2007 City Council Meeting Council approved Resolution 2007-37 formally dissolving the LLMD Zone 4.

To complete the final step of the dissolution of LLMD Zone 4 which is dividing the property between the two property owners, City Council now needs to abandon Sara Drive / Spring Lane walk way property by 1) passing a “Resolution of Intent”, 2) setting a public hearing date and 3) ask the Planning Commission to make a determination that the proposed street abandonment is in compliance with the Lemoore General Plan. After the Commission makes such finding, the Council will need to hold a public hearing and consider a Resolution to abandon Sara Drive what was formally known as the Spring Lane walkway property in the LLMD Zone 4.

Budget Impact:

None.

Recommendation:

The City Council, by motion, adopt the attached Resolution of Intent 2008 - 14 which sets a public hearing date for May 6, 2008 and discusses the intent to vacate Sara Drive (known as walkway property between Spring Lane and rear of the Park Place Apartments located on Hanford-Armona Road); and refer it to the Planning Commission for a determination of compliance with the Lemoore General Plan.