

RESOLUTION 2009-39
IN SUPPORT OF AN AMERICAN RECOVERY
AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA) APPLICATION
FOR HIGH SPEED RAIL FOR CALIFORNIA

At a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Lemoore duly called and held on September 29, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. on said day, it was moved by Council Member _____ seconded by Council Member _____ and carried that the following Resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, in 1996 the California State Legislature created the California High Speed Rail Authority to develop a plan for the construction, operation and financing of a statewide, intercity high speed passenger rail system; and

WHEREAS, California officials and citizens have been working together to plan for a high speed rail system for California and in November 2008 California voters approved \$9.95 billion in bond funds to finance a high speed rail system that will run from Sacramento through the San Joaquin Valley to San Diego, with a segment of the system branching out to the Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, the California High Speed Rail Authority is planning to have a number of station stops throughout the system, with several of the station stops to be located in the San Joaquin Valley; and

WHEREAS, The San Joaquin Valley has a proven track record of enthusiastic support for the California High Speed Rail Project and is ideally situated to provide a convenient station stop for High Speed Rail customers; and

WHEREAS, the California High Speed Rail Authority is preparing an application for ARRA (stimulus) funding from the federal government for sections of the California high-speed rail system, and is currently considering which Central Valley project(s) should be included in the ARRA application; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Lemoore that the California High Speed Rail system would greatly benefit the San Joaquin Valley and State of California, and that the City Council of the City of Lemoore:

1. Supports the continuing development of high speed rail on a statewide basis.
2. Supports a unified approach for the Central Valley.
3. Supports an ARRA application for California that includes the Central Valley component of the high speed rail system as recommended by HSRA staff at the September 4 Authority meeting, specifically including non-urban segments of the system from Merced to Fresno and Fresno to Bakersfield.

Passed and adopted at a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Lemoore held on the 29th day of September 2009 by the following vote:

AYES:
NAYS:
ABSENT:
ABSTAINING:

APPROVED

John F. Murray, Mayor

ATTEST:

Nanci C. O. Lima, CMC
City Clerk