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**STAFF REPORT**

**Item # 6**

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**To:** Lemoore City Council  
**From:** Holly Smyth, Planning Director  
**Date:** January 13, 2010  
**Subject:** Review Committee for the Zoning Ordinance Update

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**Background:**

The Planning Department is in the final stages of preparing and sending Request for Qualifications and Proposals (RFP) out for bid to update the Lemoore Zoning Ordinance and portions of the Lemoore Municipal Code so that they are brought into conformity with the 2030 General Plan. As many of you are aware, much of the Zoning Ordinance is over 20 years old, a new General Plan has been adopted, and new state laws continue to be passed. These changes have made our current codes extremely antiquated, legally and internally inconsistent with the General Plan and other policies and are not very user friendly to the development community or City staff.

In late February consultant proposals will need to be reviewed, rated, ranked, and an award recommendation brought before City Council. When the General Plan RFP's were reviewed in the past, the Council had elected to form a Committee made up of two (2) Council Members, one (1) Planning Commissioner, and myself to carry out these duties. Staff believes a Review Committee should be formed, but is asking for further direction.

**Budget Impact:**

None at this time, however a budget for the Zoning Ordinance update has already been allocated.

**Recommendation:**

Staff is asking the Mayor with the concurrence of Council to designate and/or appoint a Review Committee to review, rate, rank, and recommend awarding one of the proposals for the Zoning Ordinance update. Committee members will need to have to set aside time to review the documents as well as set aside time for interviews if they are needed.