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Item 3E

**To: Lemoore City Council**  
**From: Lauren Apone, Administrative Analyst**  
**Date: December 15, 2011**  
**Subject: Name City Manager as Authorized Signer for SJVAPCD Public Benefit Grant Program Application**

**Discussion:**

It has recently come to staff's attention that the City is eligible for a grant to purchase alternative fuel vehicles. The Public Benefit Grant Program, administered by San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (SJVAPCD), provides reimbursement of up to \$20,000 per vehicle up to a maximum of \$100,000 per agency, for the purchase of alternative fuel vehicles. CNG, hybrid, and electric vehicles are eligible for this grant.

Staff has found numerous vehicles that would qualify for this grant and plans to apply for vehicles for the Police Department, Water Department, Public Works Department, Fleet Department, and Building Inspection Department. The following chart shows the departments and the vehicles being considered, as well as the proposed grant amount and the proposed out of pocket asset replacement contribution amount.

Department	Purpose	Proposed Vehicle type	Proposed Vehicle Cost	Grant Amount	Asset Replacement Cost
Police	Personal Transportation Vehicle to patrol the high school and parking lots	Electric	\$9,000	\$ 9,000	\$0
Police	VIP Vehicle	CNG Sedan	\$29,000	\$20,000	\$9,000
Water	2 Personal Transportation Vehicles for meter readers	Electric	\$16,000	\$16,000	\$0
Public Works	Van Replacement	Hybrid Sedan	\$30,000	\$20,000	\$10,000
Building Inspection	Pick-up replacement	CNG Sedan	\$29,000	\$15,000	\$14,000
Fleet	Forklift	Electric	\$35,000	\$20,000	\$15,000
			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>	

Staff is exploring the option of using an existing CMAQ grant for the City contribution. However, the CMAQ funding is limited only to on-road CNG and electric vehicles, and may not be used for police vehicles.

The application for the Public Benefit Grant Program requires a Resolution from the Lemoore City Council authorizing the City to apply for the grant naming the authorized signer of the application. This is Resolution 2011-47 before you tonight.

**Budget Impact:**

The vehicle purchases will require matches from the asset replacement funds. The Police, Public Works, and Building Inspection vehicles will require a contribution of \$33,000 out of the General Fund asset replacement fund, which will have a balance of \$1,316,131 on June 30, 2012. If CMAQ funding is able to be used to match the grant program, the contribution out of the General Fund asset replacement fund will be \$19,000. The forklift purchase will require a \$15,000 contribution out of the Fleet Department asset replacement fund, which will have a balance of \$34,791 on June 30, 2012. These vehicles will save money in fuel costs over the vehicles they are replacing.

**Recommendation:**

It is recommended that Council approve Resolution 2011-47, which names the City Manager as the authorized signer for the Public Benefit Grant Program application and authorize up to \$33,000 from the General Fund asset replacement fund and \$15,000 from the Fleet Department asset replacement fund.