

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEMOORE IN OPPOSITION TO THE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSAL TO ELIMINATE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCIES IN CALIFORNIA

At a Regular Meeting of the Lemoore City Council duly called and held on February 1, 2011, at 7:30 p.m. on said day, it was moved by Council Member _____ seconded by Council Member _____, and carried that the following Resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, as part of the State of California's 2011-12 budget proposal, the Governor proposed to permanently eliminate all of California's local redevelopment agencies; and

WHEREAS, this proposal represents more of the same misguided and illegal State budget raids of local government funds that voters have repeatedly sought to end, most recently in November 2010 when an overwhelming 61 percent of voters elected to stop State raids of local government funds, including redevelopment funds with the passage of Proposition 22; and

WHEREAS, this proposal will bring very little financial benefit to the State. According to the State Controller's Office, redevelopment agencies have more than \$87 billion in bond and other contractual obligations that legally must be repaid before revenues are available for any other purpose; and

WHEREAS, this proposal will destroy local economic development, including hundreds of thousands of jobs and billions of dollars in local economic activity throughout California. In fact, in the City of Lemoore,

- ♦ Over 1,000 jobs were created in Lemoore as a result of redevelopment
- ♦ Blighted conditions have been eliminated or reduced through redevelopment
- ♦ Business recruitment activities have been successful in attracting new businesses to Lemoore as a result of redevelopment
- ♦ Community beautification projects have created economic vitality in Lemoore as a result of redevelopment

WHEREAS, shutting down redevelopment agencies is a violation of multiple State and Federal constitutional provisions; and

WHEREAS, keeping tax allocation at the local level allows local decision makers to be more responsive in serving our community members most effectively.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Lemoore formally opposes the Governor's proposal to eliminate redevelopment in California.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Lemoore authorizes its council and city staff to communicate its opposition to this proposal to the Governor, the Legislature, business groups, and citizens.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Lemoore at a council meeting held on the 1st day of February 2011, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

APPROVED: _____
Willard J. Rodarmel, Mayor

ATTEST:

Nanci C. O. Lima, CMC
City Clerk

CERTIFICATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF KINGS) SS
CITY OF LEMOORE

I, Nanci C.O. LIMA, City Clerk of the City of Lemoore, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution of the City Council of the City of Lemoore was duly passed and adopted at a Regular Meeting of the City Council held on February 1, 2011.

Dated: February 2, 2011

Nanci C. O. Lima, CMC
City Clerk