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To: Lemoore City Council

From: Jack Wilderson, Parks and Recreation
Commissioner

Date: March 14, 2012

Subject: Recommendation for Removal of Palm Trees
at Heritage Park and City Park

Item 3

Discussion:

At the March 13, 2012 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting, Maintenance Supervisor Ray Greenlee presented a report on removing the palm trees at Heritage Park and City Park. (See included Staff Report)

After reviewing the options and discussing the plan to replant different species of trees if the palm trees were removed, the Parks and Recreation Commission unanimously voted to recommend to the City Council to remove the palm trees at both locations in the most cost effective way. The Commission came to this recommendation for the following reasons:

- Falling debris from palm trees could hurt citizens or their property
- Replacement species of trees are more cost effective to maintain
- New species will eventually provide more shade and be aesthetically appealing.

Budget Impact:

Please see attached staff report from Ray Greenlee

Recommendation:

The Parks and Recreation Commission recommends that the Council consider removing the palm trees at Heritage Park and at City Park, possibly in conjunction with upcoming projects. While expensive, we believe this is the most cost effective approach to insure the future of our parks. The Parks and Recreation Commission also recommends that Council direct staff to research the most cost effective way of accomplishing this task.