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**To:** Lemoore City Council **SS Item 2**  
**From:** Joe Simonson, Parks and Recreation  
Director  
**Date:** August 28, 2012  
**Subject:** Request to Film Independent Feature Film in Lemoore

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**Discussion:**

Scott Seargeant has been involved with the Lemoore Recreation Drama Club for three years. Last year, the participants in Drama filmed a short movie and held a dinner cinema for the community. Over 20 children from our community took part in this film.

This year, Mr. Seargeant would like to film an independent feature film in Lemoore. The Lemoore Recreation Drama Club and the Lemoore High School Drama Club will have the opportunity to audition for roles and to be extras in the film and Mr. Seargeant will split the net proceeds between the Lemoore High School Drama Club, Lemoore High School Band, and the Lemoore Recreation Department. He is presently making arrangements to have the premier at the Lemoore Cinemas Theater.

Mr. Seargeant presented his idea to the Parks and Recreation Commission as a discussion item during the August 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. The Commissioners were intrigued with the idea, but were not sure what was being requested from them.

After speaking to Mr. Seargeant, the Lemoore Police Department has recommended providing a department vehicle for a period of 2 hours, and allowing filming at the Police Department for 1 hour, and department personnel be permitted to take part in the film, but on their own time. Chief Gibson approved the use of a Lemoore Volunteer Fire Department Ladder Truck and 4 to 5 Volunteers for an 8 hour scene with the stipulation that if a fire call is dispatched; the crew would leave immediately to attend to the emergency. These recommendations are contingent on approval of the script and content of the film.

Outlined below are some additional specifics that Mr. Seargeant is requesting:

- ♦ 4 hours of filming in the Council Chambers.
- ♦ Filming around the Christmas tree on December 30<sup>th</sup> and January 1<sup>st</sup> from 8am to 4pm. Street Closure required.

**Budget Impact:**

\$60 per day for street closures and \$150 for 4 hour rental of Council Chambers.

**Recommendation:**

For discussion only.

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