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## Staff Report

ITEM NO. 2

**To:** Lemoore City Council  
**From:** Darrell Smith, Chief of Police   
**Date:** February 18, 2014  
**Subject:** Badge Pinning Ceremony

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### **Discussion:**

It is with great honor to announce that effective February 1, 2014, Officers Matthew Smith and Brandon Cooper were promoted to the rank of Corporal.

Corporal Mathew Smith began his career with the Lemoore Police Department in August of 2008. Prior to becoming a Lemoore Police Officer, Smith served his country for four years in the United States Marine Corps. Smith did two combat tours to Iraq and Afghanistan as a member of a combined anti-armor team that participated in numerous combat operations and assaults. During his service in the Marine Corps, Officer Smith received numerous awards, including the Combat Action Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Rifle Expert Badge, and Pistol Sharpshooter Badge.

Corporal Smith received the recognition of Employee of the Quarter on three different occasions while assigned to the Kings County Narcotics Task Force. Smith was also the 2013 Recipient of the Law Officer of the Year award sponsored by the Hanford Chamber of Commerce. Pinning the badge tonight is Smith's fiancée Christa McGough.

Corporal Brandon Cooper began his career with the Lemoore Police Department on February 17, 2009. On August 15, 2011 Cooper was selected to become a YDO at Lemoore High School. Cooper is also a Field Training Officer and has earned his BA degree in March of 2013 in Organizational Leadership. Corporal Cooper is always willing to step in and help out where ever needed. During the 2013 holiday break, Cooper volunteered to be on-call in the Detective Unit taking on any cases assigned to him. For his efforts, Cooper received a commendation from the Sergeant of the unit for performance above and beyond that expected of his current assignment. Corporal Cooper was also nominated for Lemoore Police Department Employee of the Month for January 2014. Pinning the badge tonight is Cooper's wife Denise. The Cooper's are also expecting their first child in July of this year.

### **Budget Impact:**

There is no impact to the general fund.

### **Recommendation:**

That the City Clerk administer the attached Oath of Office.

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**LEMOORE POLICE  
DEPARTMENT**

**I, Matthew Smith, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and Constitution of the State of California against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion, and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties upon which I am about to enter.**

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**Corporal**

**Subscribed and sworn before me this 18th day of  
February 2014.**

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**City Clerk**

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**Mayor**

**LEMOORE POLICE  
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**I, Brandon Cooper, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and Constitution of the State of California against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion, and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties upon which I am about to enter.**

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