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## Staff Report

ITEM NO. 4-6

**To:** Lemoore City Council  
**From:** Jenell Van Bindsbergen, City Attorney  
**Date:** June 12, 2015 **Meeting Date:** June 16, 2015  
**Subject:** Amendments to 7-7C-2 of the Lemoore Municipal Code Relating to allowing water connection from outside the City limits

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### Discussion:

At the May 27, 2015 regular meeting of the City Council, staff was instructed to research viable options for extending water service and/or supply to parcels outside the City limits, including but not limited to, 32 residents of Country Club Estates which is located outside the City limits. Some of the property owners are experiencing water shortages and other problems with their wells, in part, due to the ongoing drought.

The proposed ordinance would authorize water service and/or supply to parcels of land outside the City limits with certain requirements to both public and private facilities. Specifically, the ordinance would authorize the City Manager to negotiate the terms and conditions of an agreement to allow such water service and/or supply to parcels outside the City limits, which agreement would then be submitted to the City Council for consideration. The agreement would only become effective upon final approval and ratification by the City Council.

Any parcel outside the City limits receiving water service and/or supply would be required to conform with all current City ordinances and standards, including the payment of any and all applicable fees and other charges, all current laws, and must receive the appropriate approvals of other agencies as required by law. Further, the property owner must agree not to object to or otherwise oppose the City's annexation of the property owner's property at a future date, should such an annexation occur.

### Budget Impact:

The fiscal impact is unknown, but would ultimately affect the income received from the applicable fees, new water users and potentially impact the water rates for the City.

### Recommendation:

That the City Council approve the introduction (first reading) of Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_ amending Municipal Code Section 7-7C-2 to allow outside city limit water connection.

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