



**7/19/2022**  
**City Council Special Meeting**

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Hi

I would just like to put a couple of comments to you , the City Manager and the City Council, for the upcoming City Meeting.

Firstly,

I played Lemoore Golf Course last weekend and was impressed with all the work and improvements that have been made. On the whole the grass was green, the traps had sand, the greens themselves were shaped and the vast majority of the course was tidy.

However, we are in Central Valley in July, and I did not expect to see muddy areas and standing water in places.

Obviously the watering is the reason the course looked like a golf course and not a desert, but can I ask where is the water coming from? Is it grey water?

Also there were a number of places where the ground was boggy/over watered and there were puddles of standing water – some of which smelt very unpleasant.

Now this concerned me very much as we have just recently had reports of West Nile virus being close by.

Please can you monitor the watering of the course so that those boggy areas and puddles do not continue.

Again, I congratulate the Management Team looking after the course for the work they have done but please not at the potential risk to local residents lives.

Secondly,

I was upset to read that a Merchant in Downtown Lemoore was feeling that the City was not encouraging downtown merchants, to the point where it was felt the Business should move to another City.

Lemoore has some excellent Businesses in the downtown area. However, there are also a number of empty/closed businesses and dilapidated buildings which do not do our City any favors.

The City and Council should be encouraging the Businesses that we have and supporting them to remain in Lemoore.

A number of these Businesses actual bring revenue into Lemoore from outside areas. The particular Business in question being one of them.

This particular Business is now also an award winning Business for their ‘wares’ – something our City should be proud of and advertise often as a reason people should visit our Downtown.

Finally regarding having this particular Business in town, it also generates extra revenue for food establishments close by. Many of their patrons go out to eat, or bring in take away, which they would not do if the Business was not there.

Lemoore needs to get more mom and pop businesses/restaurants etc. into the areas of D Street,

Fox, Follett and Heinlein and encourage people to come into its Centre.

It feels like Lemoore is being pushed towards a Weed Ghost town with empty stores everywhere. Or residents are being pushed out to the Mall areas or even to Hanford.

Please work closer with our current local businesses and ensure that any tax money stays in Lemoore and is not given to Hanford or beyond. We would still like "More in Lemoore"

Yours

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