CERES CITY COUNCIL FUNDING WORKSHOP MINUTES AUGUST 9, 2005

The Ceres City Council Funding Workshop was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Mayor Moore with the following in attendance:

PRESENT: Council Members Cannella, Mantarro Moore, Phipps, Vierra and Mayor Moore.

ALSO PRESENT: Interim City Manager, Sheila Cumberland; Police Chief, Art de Werk; City Attorney, Mike Lyions; Commander, Brian Weber; Commander Dan Davis, Director of Planning and Community Development, Randy Hatch; Director of Public Works, Joe Hollstein; Director of Parks, Recreation and Facilities, Doug Lemcke; Director of Management Services, Bonnie White Silveria; Grants Coordinator, Betina McCoy

DISCUSSION OF PROJECT PRIORITIES

Sheila Cumberland, Interim City Manager, gave an overview to Council stating that without the additional fees that would have been available for park maintenance through the Park Maintenance District Election, park maintenance will have to continue to compete for funding with other General Fund Departments.

Ms. Cumberland identified special revenue funds from Brown operations mitigation fees and CFD operations mitigation fees as possible sources of revenue to offset future expenditures for park maintenance. She further identified revenue from recreation classes, private rentals, leagues and tournaments to offset some of the community center and soccer field costs. There are also other possible sources of special revenue that may have a small amount of funds available as well as funding from the Redevelopment Agency and some grant funding.

Ms. Cumberland made the following recommendations:

<u>Riverbluff Regional Park</u> – Complete all phases from grant funding and open the park to the public year round. If we do not complete the park and open it, we may have to return the grand funds already used.

<u>Fire Station #4</u> – Continue with the process of building Fire Station #4. Bid the project with the Community Center and one project manager can be hired for efficiency. Start the hiring process for three new Firefighters and they can train at existing Fire stations until FS #4 is opened.

<u>Neighborhood Parks</u> - Start developing the three neighborhood parks by doing grading, installing sprinklers and planting grass and trees. Completion can be phased in future years.

After some consideration, Council agreed with Staff's recommendation to proceed as outlined in Ms. Cumberland report.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

DeLinda Moore, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brenda Scudder Herbert, City Clerk