

March 18, 2003

Honorable Mayor and Members of
The Hermosa Beach City Council

Regular Meeting of
March 25, 2003

**APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION ORDERING THE PREPARATION OF A REPORT FOR
THE ANNUAL LEVY OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE HERMOSA BEACH
LANDSCAPING AND STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT DURING FY 2003 - 2004**

Recommendation:

Adopt the attached Resolution ordering the preparation of a report for the annual levy of assessments within the Hermosa Beach Landscaping and Street Lighting District during fiscal year 2003 - 2004.

Discussion:

The Landscaping and Street Lighting District provides for the maintenance and operation of the citywide street lighting program and landscaping within street medians and parkways. The Landscaping and Street Lighting District must be renewed annually.

Based on the advice of the City Attorney, the City can continue to levy assessments to pay for the maintenance and operation of streetlights, street medians and parkway landscaping without complying with the balloting requirements of Proposition 218 so long as the assessments are not increased.

In approving the attached Resolution, the City Council authorizes the preparation of a report, which will contain plans, specifications, costs and estimated assessments for the Landscaping and Street Lighting District. As required, the following necessary steps must be taken for the levy and collection of assessments for fiscal year 2003 - 2004 within the City's Landscaping and Street Lighting District.

1. The Director of Public Works files with the City Clerk the report consisting of, among other things, the map and the assessments.
2. The City Council adopts a Resolution approving the report of the Director of Public Works.
3. The City Council adopts a Resolution, which sets the date, time and the place for a public hearing in order to accept input on Landscaping and Street Lighting District 2003 - 2004.
4. The City Council adopts a Resolution confirming map and assessment for Landscaping and Street Lighting District 2003 – 2004 and levy the set assessment rate per unit for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2003 and ending June 30, 2004.
5. The City Council adopts the fiscal year 2003 - 2004 estimated revenue for secured collections for the Landscaping and Street Lighting District.

Alternative:

Let the District lapse; thereby increasing the General Fund obligation of approximately \$452,000.

Attachment: Draft resolution ordering preparation of report

Respectfully submitted,

Concur:

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