

AGENDA REPORT

DATE August 3, 2004

ITEM: RESOLUTION 9406 MODIFY SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT – COMMERCIAL LIGHTING “SLD-C” NO. 1295

INITIATED BY: FISCAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

ACTION REQUESTED: CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING ON RESOLUTION 9406 TO MODIFY SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT – COMMERCIAL LIGHTING “SLD-C NO. 1295

PREPARED BY: JUDY BURG, ACCOUNTING TECHNICIAN

PRESENTED BY: COLEEN BALZARINI, CITY CONTROLLER

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RECOMMENDATION:

Conduct public hearing and adopt Resolution 9406, Modify Special Lighting District – Commercial Lighting “SLD-C” No. 1295.

MOTION:

“I move the City Commission adopt Resolution 9406.”

SYNOPSIS:

MODIFICATION

An inquiry into the city’s assessment of lights in the North Park Addition was made by one of the property owners in that area. It was determined that there was a need for a special improvement lighting district for commercial/industrial properties within a designated Industrial/Agricultural Park or for commercial/industrial properties in excess of 52,500 square feet receiving lighting of a commercial/industrial nature. Since North Park Addition is an industrial/commercial park and its street lighting consists of forty-eight (48) – 250 watt high-pressure sodium lights on 36’ steel poles with underground wiring, it is more appropriate to include this area in the Special Lighting District – Industrial Lighting “SLD-I” No. 1298 rather than in the Commercial Lighting District “SLD-C” No. 1295. It will be necessary to pull the area out of Special Lighting District – Commercial Lighting “SLD-C” No. 1295 and move it into the Special Lighting District – Industrial Lighting “SLD-I” No. 1298. The boundary lines of this modification are outlined on Modification Exhibit “C2004-1” attached hereto.

M.C.A.7-12-4335 authorizes once a year boundary changes to existing special lighting districts, providing the change does not affect the existing costs in the district. There would be no increase to properties existing in the

proposed modified district, as the service in those areas would not change.

The modification will result in an estimated annual assessment of \$74.93 for an average lot size of 11,106 square feet. All light fixtures, poles, and wiring, existing are of similar size, type and material found within the commercial areas throughout the City. Boundaries of the modified lighting district are outlined on Exhibit "C2004" attached hereto.

BACKGROUND:

CONSOLIDATION

On August 7, 2001, Resolution 9183 to Consolidate and Modify Special Lighting District – Commercial Lighting "SLD-C" No.1295 was adopted consolidating Special Lighting Districts No. 992, 1067B, 1235, 1262, 1263, 1265 and 1277 into a single commercial street lighting district in accordance with 7-12-4354, MCA.

MODIFICATION

On August 5, 2003, Resolution 9308 to Modify Special Lighting District – Commercial Lighting "SLD-C" No. 1295 was adopted by moving properties contained in the North Park Addition from the Residential Lighting District into the Commercial Lighting District in accordance with 7-12-4354, MCA.