

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: JULY 1, 2009

DEPARTMENT: OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS
DIRECTOR: DAVID RIGGLEMAN

SUBJECT:
RECOGNITION OF FLOOD CONTROL AWARENESS MONTH

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

Submitted at Meeting Copy of Proclamation declaring July 2009 as Flash Flood Awareness Month

Minutes:

COUNCILMAN ROSS invited GALE FRASER, General Manager of the Regional Flood Control District, to the podium and presented him with the proclamation declaring July 2009 as Flood Control Awareness Month. COUNCILMAN ROSS stated that flood season is July through September and stressed the dangers of crossing floodwaters. He described the Flood Control Districts efforts to educate the public and to control and dispel floodwaters.

MR. FRASER explained that the purpose of the Flood Control District is to protect lives and property from the impacts of flooding. The Flood Control District does this through its capital improvement program, which keeps floodwaters away from people and property, and through its public education program, which keeps people away from the floodwaters. MR. FRASER noted that the Flood Control District has several projects eligible for federal stimulus monies which will create jobs and help the Citys economy. He pointed out the flooding, damage and loss of life that occurred in July 1999 and stressed that it could happen again. He presented the Council with reusable grocery bags to be given away as part of the Flood Control Districts public education effort.

ADDITIONAL RECOGNITIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CITY MANAGER ELIZABETH FRETWELL presented COUNCILMAN BARLOW with his graduation certificate for completing the Senior Executive State and Local Government Program from Harvard University. Speaking from personal experience, CITY MANAGER FRETWELL stated the program is intensive and the knowledge and experience gained in the program is invaluable.

COUNCILMAN BARLOW thanked the Council for allowing him the time to attend the program and thanked his staff for keeping things humming along during his absence. He stated the program was a great experience and he shared his certificate with the City and its citizens.