

**LODI CITY COUNCIL
SHIRTSLEEVE SESSION
CARNEGIE FORUM, 305 WEST PINE STREET
TUESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2019**

A. Roll call by City Clerk

An Informal Informational Meeting ("Shirtsleeve" Session) of the Lodi City Council was held Tuesday, January 29, 2019, commencing at 7:04 a.m. at the Rick Cromwell Community Room, 215 West Elm Street, Lodi.

Present: Council Member Nakanishi, Mayor Pro Tempore Kuehne, and Mayor Chandler

Absent: Council Member Johnson, and Council Member Mounce

Also Present: City Manager Schwabauer, City Attorney Magdich, and City Clerk Ferraiolo

B. Topic(s)

B-1 Receive Presentation Regarding the Apex Officer X360 Training Simulator for Use by the Police Department (PD)

Lieutenant Steve Nelson provided a presentation regarding the Apex Officer X360 training simulator used by the Police Department. Specific topics of discussion included purchase of new virtual reality (VR) use of force simulator; previous training opportunities through other agencies on their equipment; other simulators that use less-interactive and less-customizable training scenarios and equipment, requiring participants to be tethered to a spot with wires and connections; and new equipment benefits, ease in set-up, and regular program updates.

In response to Council Member questions, Lt. Nelson stated the backpack unit with VR equipment weighs roughly 10 pounds; the two units cost \$75,000, which was paid from the departmental budget using accumulated savings; and the Police Department has had this equipment for three months.

Myrna Wetzel, member of the public, questioned if the use of force training equipment included a scenario in which a suspect is holding a cell phone instead of a gun, to which Lt. Nelson replied that it did not; however, he would make the suggestion to the program developer to add such a component.

Police Department staff provided demonstrations on the use of force training simulator and assisted volunteers with running through sessions.

Lt. Nelson added that another significant benefit of the training simulators is it can be an effective tool to discuss afterward what worked and did not in each scenario, better ways to position oneself in certain situations, and how to better engage and communicate with suspects in order to de-escalate dangerous situations.

C. Comments by public on non-agenda items

None.

D. Adjournment

No action was taken by the City Council. The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 a.m.

ATTEST:

Jennifer M. Ferraiolo
City Clerk