TO:

City Council

FROM:

James L. App, City Manager

**SUBJECT:** 

Property Acquisition - Anderson Property

DATE:

January 5, 1999

**NEEDS:** 

For the City Council to receive and file a report concerning the disposition of the proposed Anderson property acquisition.

**FACTS:** 

- 1. Effective October 13, 1998 the City opened escrow for approximately 260 acres of real property located east/northeast of the northerly terminus of Ramada Drive (property is commonly referred to as the "Anderson Property").
- 2. The proposed acquisition was initiated for the purpose of future development, specifically the construction of a Salinas River crossing.
- 3. The City's purchase offer included a condition to inspect and approve the site and its physical condition and characteristics.
- 4. The City has examined the property and concluded that site characteristics are such that the property does not warrant further consideration.
- 5. The City has withdrawn from escrow (and the City's deposit has been returned, with interest).

## **ANALYSIS &**

**CONCLUSION:** 

The City initiated a purchase offer of the Anderson property to secure land for construction of a future bridge across the Salinas River. The offer was contingent upon the inspection and approval of a variety of site studies. The results of these examinations indicated that the proposed acquisition did not warrant further consideration. Consequently, the City withdrew from escrow.

**POLICY** 

**REFERENCE:** 

None.

**FISCAL** 

**IMPACT:** 

None.

**OPTIONS:** 

- 1. Receive and File Report Concerning Withdrawal from the Anderson Property Escrow.
- 2. Amend, Modify or Reject the Option Above.