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James L. App, City Manager

FROM:

Ronald Whisenand, Community Development Director

SUBJECT:

Special Joint City Council/Planning Commission Meeting - SLOCOG's Regional 2050 Plan

DATE:

January 15, 2008

Needs:

Consider scheduling a joint study session with the Planning Commission to hear a presentation by the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments (SLOCOG) on the regional "2050 Plan."

Facts:

- 1. SLOCOG has been charged with overseeing a regional plan called the "Community 2050 Blueprint" or simply Community 2050. The program is designed to establish a means for integrating multi-agency efforts to address land use, transportation, infrastructure, energy and environmental protection.
- 2. One of the objectives of Community 2050 is to direct growth and needed infrastructure to support that growth to urbanized areas of the County. SLOCOG would therefore like to receive input from the City on key program elements including a regional growth strategy. A draft Community 2050 Plan, staff report, and applicable background material will be provided in advance of the meeting.
- 3. A joint Planning Commission-City Council workshop seems to be an efficient way to gather input on this regional program.

Analysis & Conclusion:

The Study Session will include a presentation by SLOCOG staff and will include an overview of Community 2050 and the process for gathering pubic input. We have asked SLOCOG staff to provide the Council and Planning Commission with a clear understanding of the issues that require City feedback and input.

Possible meeting dates to consider include February 12th or 26th (regular Planning Commission meeting nights), or February 20th, 21st, 27th, or 28th.

Policy

Reference:

Council Policy and Procedures, Chapter 5, Section 5.2.3

Options:

- a. Set a noticed Joint Meeting with the Planning Commission in the month of February.
- b. Amend, modify or reject the foregoing option.