



# 2021 One Voice Travel

Item 5.5 – Regular City Council Meeting August 9, 2021

# Background

- Since 2000, The San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG) has coordinated a delegation of policymakers, governmental officials and business leaders from San Joaquin County to call upon Congressional representatives and administrative staff in Washington D.C. to discuss specific issues and projects of importance to the region.
- City of Lathrop officials have participated in the last 16 One Voice trips.
- 2020 would have been the 17<sup>th</sup> trip (cancelled)

# 2021 One Voice – Projects Submitted

- Each jurisdiction is allowed to submit two projects:
  - *One Regional Transportation project*
  - *One Local Priority project.*
- On March 8, 2021, the City Council approved two projects to be included in the list of priority projects used for the 2021 One Voice trip to Washington, D.C.:
  - *Louise Avenue/I-5 Interchange*
  - *Lathrop Road/I-5 Interchange*

# Select One Voice Participants

- This year, the conference will be from October 17-22, 2021.
- City policy requires Council approval for all out-of-state travel.
- Travel funds for the One Voice Trip are not included the City Council expense budget.
- However, if Council elects to send the City Manager to attend this years' One Voice Legislative Event, funds are available.



## Select One Voice Participants (continued)

- If Council elected to have 1 or 2 Council Members attend this year's One Voice Legislative Event, a budget amendment would be required depending on the selected option.
- Therefore, we ask Council to discuss and select participants, approve out-of-state travel, and budget amendment.

# Options

In order to prevent a quorum from doing City business during the trip, attendees are limited to two members of the Council, one of whom may include the Mayor.

OPTIONS		TOTAL COST	BUDGET AMENDMENT
1	Send 2 Council Members & City Manager	Approx. \$11,400	Approx. \$7,600
2	Send 1 Council Member & City Manager	Approx. \$7,600	Approx. \$3,800
3	Send 1 Council Member only	Approx. \$3,800	Approx. \$3,800
4	Send City Manager only	Approx. \$3,800	None
5	Do not send representatives	None	None