TO: Personnel Committee

FROM: Kathleen M. McDaniel, City Attorney

RE: City Attorney's Office Update

DATE: April 6, 2015

In addition to drafting legislation as requested by City departments, the City Attorney's Office has worked on the following projects and initiatives since our last meeting:

## **Environmental Remediation**

- Lemberger Landfill: Work progressing as planned, project is under budget.
- Gravel Pit: Fourth quarter sampling occurred last month, no new detects. Presented update to COW.

## **Business Process Improvement**

- Special Events: Plan was presented to Parks and is still waiting for approval
- Permits and Awnings: Revising Hold Harmless Update to comply with new ordinance
- Citations: BPI being held 5/15 to review municipal court workflow

# Municipal Court and External Legal Services

- Review billing from contract prosecutor, which is under the budgeted amount.
- Training Police at annual inservice
- Served as judge at monthly teen court session

#### Insurance

- Reviewed claims filed against the City
- Trained staff from Clerk and DPI on how to update property insurance information

#### **Labor Relations**

- Fire Contract: Mediation scheduled for April 8
- Police Grievance on Smoking Surcharge: Working on stipulated facts with police attorney
- DPW Prohibited Practices Complaint: Settled

### **Open Records Requests**

- Jon Fessler: Emails relating to himself or his family
- California Common Sense: CAFR and Budgets

#### **Quarterly Reporting**

- 116 Requests for Legal Services were received in the first quarter
- 22 new litigation matters were opened
- 202 new citations were sent over for prosecution