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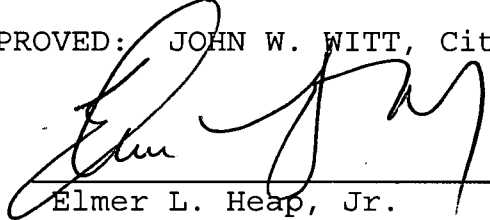
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A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING COUNCIL POLICY NO. CP-200-17 REGARDING ALTERNATIVE FUELS.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that Council Policy No. CP-200-17 regarding alternative fuels for the motive equipment fleet, be and is hereby established as set forth in the Council Policy filed in the Office of the City Clerk as Document No. RR- 285641.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby instructed to add the aforesaid to the Council Policy Manual.

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COUNCIL POLICY NO. CP-200-17

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SUBJECT: ALTERNATIVE FUELS

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## BACKGROUND

For many years, some parts of California have been identified as having very poor air quality. Because of this, California has had auto pollution laws for some time. In an effort to reduce vehicle exhaust emissions and improve air quality, the State has experimented with alternate fuels since the 1970's. In the last twenty years, the City of San Diego has grown, and so has the air quality problem in the region. As a result, San Diego has a vital interest in implementing a proactive program to reduce exhaust emissions and improve air quality.

Current legislation affecting the City and its citizens are the California Clean Air Act of 1988, the Federal Clean Air Act of 1990 and the Energy Policy of 1992. The clean air acts are concerned with regulating the level of pollutant emissions from vehicles. The Energy Policy Act of 1992 focuses on reducing the nation's dependence on imported oil by mandating that a percentage of new vehicle purchases be alternate fuel vehicles. Under the Clean Air Act, the State of California has tasked the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to achieve the maximum degree of emission reductions to meet air quality standards. The CARB program has *three* elements:

- Use of *reformulated gasoline* to address the existing fleet;
- Introduction of *low emission vehicles* by automobile manufacturers; and
- Implementation of *transportation control measures* by the local air pollution control districts.

To promote benefits of using alternate fuels in vehicles, the State of California launched pilot programs in which government fleets acquired and operated converted vehicles. In support of this effort, since 1984 the City of San Diego has participated in state-sponsored alternate fuel programs, one using methanol and another using compressed natural gas (CNG).

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