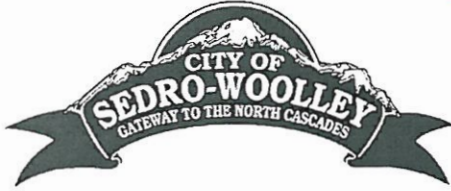


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MEMO TO: City Council  
FROM: Eron Berg  
RE: Request for manual check  
FOR MEETING: November 7, 2017

ISSUE: Should the council authorize a manual check in the amount of \$5,000 to the Burlington-United Lodge 93, Free and Accepted Masons?

BACKGROUND: The Masons gave the city \$5,000 this summer to pave a portion of the city's parking lot at the corner of Warner and Metcalf that they believed they owned. For some time the city and the Masons had a shared misunderstanding that the Masons owned one quarter, or so, of the parking lot. In fact, the city owns lots 24, 25 and 26 which is approximately from the painted curb line on the west to the Metcalf Street right-of-way on the east (Lot 24 was acquired in 1938 for \$5.00 and Lots 25-26 were acquired in 1971 for \$5,400).

Now that it is clear that the Masons do not own a portion of the city's parking lot, it seems unfair and unreasonable to keep the money they gave the city for the joint project. It is staff's recommendation that the \$5,000 be returned to the Masons without delay.

REQUESTED ACTION: Motion to authorize the issuance of a manual check in the amount of \$5,000 to the Burlington-United Lodge 93, Free and Accepted Masons.