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Notes: PUBLIC HEARING NOTICES FOR PROPOSED CONSENT JUDGEMENTS (SEE COUNCIL POLICY - LITIGATION / PUBLIC HEARING POLICY)

The Committee discussed the question should Public Hearing Notices for proposed consent judgements be mailed to residents that it may affect.

Ms. Jane Leslie, City Clerk, provided information that included the following:

- * Holding Public Hearings for proposed consent judgements is a Council policy.
- * Public Hearing notices for proposed consent judgements are published in the Eccentric newspaper, the City Hall Building, the City's cable stations and the Library ten (10) days prior to the hearing date. The notices are not mailed to individual residents that may be interested or affected by consent judgements.
- * If the matter is related to Planning Commission or Zoning, then notices are mailed to property owners within 300 feet of whatever is being proposed in accordance with the Zoning Ordinance.

A concern was expressed regarding mailing notices to residents and the possibility of the consent judgement information was either not received by the specified date or the hearing date was moved due to reasons beyond the City's control. If that happened, it would require additional notices to be mailed which may cause confusion to residents and additional city expense.

Mr. Bob Grace, Director of MIS, informed the Committee that the City's Web site may have the capability of creating a "list service" where residents can register to receive email notifications on city topics. However, the "list service" is pending due to the need for more information on how to define the way it sorts residents' requests, ie. every agenda or certain public hearing notices, etc.

The Committee consensus was to continue discussion at the next AIS meeting.

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