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I just learned that the Lompoc Valley Chamber of Commerce is closing its doors after 100 year of service to the Lompoc community because of lack of City of Lompoc funding.

It is unbelievable that a City the size of Lompoc would not have a Chamber of Commerce; even our closest neighbors, Buellton and Solvang have a Chamber.

I served as Chamber President years ago; we inaugurated the Olde Towne Market during my term. While we staffed it with solely volunteers it was an opportunity to provide a venue to bring members of our community together.

Additionally, I served as Chair of Military Affairs. This position provided a very important liaison with (now) Vandenberg Spaceport Base. One of the many things we did was to sponsor an annual BBQ for military personnel and we also included Base leadership in our Chamber activities.

I cannot speak too highly of Leadership Lompoc. In today's world it is getting more and more difficult to get our young people, who are very busy, involved in our community. This program exposes people to become knowledgeable about their community and get them involved.

I know that budgets are tight. I hope that the City and Chamber can arrive at some compromise so that we do not lose some of these very important programs.

Thank you.

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