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(Boyle Engineering, a noted firm of municipal consultants, made a study of the possibility of incorporating Lakewood, at the request of the residents and business firms of the community. The firm has acted as consultants for San Diego, Redlands, Indio, Fontana, Laguna Beach, Costa Mesa, and many other California cities.

The following statement was made on Feb. 23 in Lakewood, to the Lakewood Committee for Incorporation and members of the press, by J. R. Lester Boyle, head of the firm.)

"In the twenty years that I have been working with city governments and assisting in municipal planning, I have never seen a city as well situated for incorporation as is Lakewood.

"As an incorporated city, Lakewood would be very solvent financially. It would be a "going concern" virtually from the beginning with a very low tax rate—possibly the lowest in Los Angeles County.

"Most cities, when they incorporate, do so with a small population and a limited assessed valuation. They generally have a hard struggle meeting their obligations for a few years.

"Lakewood, however, is completely the opposite. It is truly unique—it has already reached its physical growth and maturity. It has a high assessed valuation which will eventually go much higher. It has resources way beyond those of most new cities.

"Lakewood's income from state taxes on gasoline, auto licenses, liquor licenses, county gas tax funds, utility franchises and business licenses will be over \$650,000.00 annually.

"This will pay for the heaviest part of the city's normal municipal services.

"The balance of the city's operating expenses can be met with a very low city tax—as low as .30 cents per \$100.00.

"If the city employs the contract form of government, it will be pioneering an important new step in municipal government. This will be a truly economical way to operate a new city. It will do away with duplication and waste.

"It will eliminate the need for high capital expenditures, new buildings and equipment, departments and bureaus.

"Thus, the home-owner benefits—because it is his dollar that is being saved and his taxes that are being lowered.

"After having studied the Lakewood picture very carefully for the past six months, I am convinced that the residents here are very fortunate indeed to have the opportunity to incorporate.

"In my opinion, it is easily the best step they could take."

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