

STAFF REPORT
City of Lancaster

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Date: January 25, 2011

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: David R. McEwen, City Attorney

Subject: **Ordinance Adding Chapter 14.04 to the Lancaster Municipal Code Relating to City Authority for Economic Development**

Recommendation:

Introduce **Ordinance No. 961**, (the “Ordinance”), adding Chapter 14.04 to the Lancaster Municipal Code relating to City authority for economic development.

Fiscal Impact:

Unknown.

Background:

The Charter of the City of Lancaster was adopted by the voters on April 13, 2010. Section 100 of the Charter gives the City the power to make and enforce all laws and regulations with respect to municipal affairs. Economic development within the community is a municipal affair. In order to take advantage of all of the city’s powers under the charter, it is necessary to adopt ordinances from time to time setting forth how such power shall be exercised.

This Ordinance adds Chapter 14.04 to the Lancaster Municipal Code to provide the City with complete authority to take all necessary actions in connection with economic development programs and activities. Each action taken will require further approval of the city council.

Attachment:

Ordinance No. 961