STAFF REPORT City of Lancaster, California

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Date: April 24, 2007

To: Mayor Hearns and City Council Members

From: Lyle W. Norton, Director, Parks, Recreation and Arts

Subject: Prime Desert Woodlands Trails Phase II

Recommendation:

Approve Resolution No. 07-78 approving the application for grant funds for the Prime Desert Woodland Preserve under the Land and Water Conservation Grant Program.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Background:

The attached resolution must accompany our application for Land and Water Conservation grant funds. The Land and Water Conservation Fund is a federally funded program administered through the California State Parks and Recreation Department. The program provides funds for planning, acquisition, and development of outdoor recreation areas and facilities.

The Fund, which is administered nationally by the National Park Service, became effective in January 1965, was initially authorized for a 25 year period and has been extended to January 2015. The funds are derived from federal recreation fees, sales of federal surplus real property, the federal motorboat fuel tax and the Outer Continental Shelf mineral receipts.

The attached resolution (1) approves filing of the application, (2) certifies that the City has matching funds, (3) certifies that the project is compatible with local land use plans, and (4) authorizes the City Manager to conduct all negotiations and execute documents.

The amount of funding requested is \$100,000 for completion of the Phase II Trails system.