STAFF REPORT

City of Lancaster

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Date: May 27, 2014

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Geri K. Bryan, CMC, City Clerk

Subject: Consideration of adoption of Ordinance No. 997

Recommendation:

Adopt **Ordinance No. 997,** an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, California, establishing a community choice aggregation program.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact from this specific action. If a CCA in Lancaster is feasible and implemented, the City could realize additional revenues.

Background:

The City of Lancaster has earned global recognition for the many solar initiatives advanced through its utility, the Lancaster Power Authority (LPA). These initiatives have offered a myriad of benefits to our community, including advancing Lancaster's goal of becoming the world's first net-zero city; savings on energy costs for our community partners, which are primarily local school districts; and generating revenue for essential City services.

Now that the vast majority of Lancaster's major facilities have been outfitted with solar energy systems, the next logical step in the development of the City's energy initiatives is to begin providing energy directly to local businesses and residents. The State of California has allowed for such progress through the passage of Assembly Bill 117, which authorizes cities and other government entities to aggregate electrical loads and become a Community Choice Aggregator (CCA) to provide power supply services to local customers.

At the May 13, 2014 meeting, the City Council approved the introduction of Ordinance No. 997 by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members: Johnson, Mann, Smith, Vice Mayor Crist

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Mayor Parris

Attachment:

Ordinance No. 997