

# STAFF REPORT

## City of Lancaster, California

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Date: May 22, 2007

To: Mayor Hearn and City Council Members

From: Michael Busch, Assistant City Manager

Subject: **Renewal of General Services Agreement with Los Angeles County**

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**Recommendation:**

Renew the General Services Agreement between the County of Los Angeles and the City of Lancaster for a period of five years.

**Fiscal Impact:**

Costs for General Services are included in departmental operating budgets.

**Background:**

The General Services Agreement (GSA) between the City of Lancaster and the County of Los Angeles will expire on June 30, 2007. To ensure continuation of County services, which the City is currently receiving, and for the ability to add or augment services in the future, renewal of the agreement for a five-year period, commencing July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2012, is necessary.

The County GSA has been executed with most of the cities and a number of public entities within the County. It is general in nature and provides authority for the County to provide services requested, specifies the method by which Lancaster requests and pays for service, and provides for the annual adjustment of rates.

Services provided under the GSA primarily consist of miscellaneous services which cities and other public entities request from the County on an "as needed" basis. They include such functions as predatory animal control, prosecution of city ordinances, direct assessment collection, and a variety of public works activities. In addition, ongoing and specific services, such as law enforcement, public health code enforcement, and animal care and control, are provided by the responsible County departments through Specific Service Agreements. Specific Service Agreements between Lancaster and the County of Los Angeles are not affected by renewal of this GSA.

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