

STAFF REPORT
City of Lancaster, California

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Date: August 28, 2007

To: Mayor Hearn and City Council Members

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

Subject: **Agreement with Cedar Street Theatre for Use of Performing Arts Center**

Recommendation:

Approve the Agreement for Use of the Performing Arts Center by Cedar Street Theatre for the 2007-2008 season.

Fiscal Impact:

Approximately \$15,000 in gross revenue generated from a percentage of ticket sales, ticketing charges and other miscellaneous fees.

Background:

Cedar Street Theatre was established in 1978 as a nonprofit community repertory theatre company. They have been producing local theatre performances in the City of Lancaster since that time. In addition, the City and Cedar Street Theatre have co-sponsored performances at Lancaster Performing Arts Center in each of its seasons.

This Agreement outlines the terms of a co-sponsor relationship between the City and Cedar Street Theatre from the period September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2008. During that period of time, it is intended that both parties would co-sponsor three (3) season performances in the J. P. Eliopoulos Family Theatre and two (2) main stage productions. For all productions in the J. P. Eliopoulos Family Theatre, the City will receive fifteen percent (15%) of ticket sales in lieu of a normal rental agreement. For the main stage productions, the City will receive twenty-five percent (25%) of ticket sale revenues in lieu of normal rental charges.